## F. No. 13-9/2014-MDM 2-1 Government of India Ministry of Human Resource Development Department of School Education & Literacy MDM Division

Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi Dated the 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2015

To,

Shri Abhimanyu Singh (IAS 64 batch) Mission Leader Joint Review Mission Mid Day Meal Scheme Ministry of HRD, Government of India

Subject: 7<sup>th</sup> Joint Review Mission for Mid Day Meal Scheme - reg.

Sir.

This is to apprise that Mid Day Meal Scheme is the largest school feeding programme in the world reaching out to about 10.33 crores of children in about 11.50 lakhs Government and Government Aided elementary schools including Madrasas and Maqtabs supported under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan. A programme of such a large scale and magnitude of Mid Day Meal requires close monitoring and evaluation at all levels.

2. I am directed to say that Ministry of HRD has decided to review the implementation of the programme in all its aspects as per the defined Terms of Reference (copy enclosed) through Joint Review Mission. The Joint Review Mission would visit 6 States viz. Assam, Karnataka, Telangana, Punjab, West Bengal and Maharashtra for a period of 9 days during the 2<sup>nd</sup> fortnight of March, 2015. The JRM will consist of 12 members including the Mission Leader. A team of 2 members will visit each State. The names of the members for each State would be decided by the Mission Leader. The members to be a mix of generalists and experts form the following:

i)	Shri Abhimanyu Singh	Mission Leader
ii)	Shri K.M. Tripathi, Sr. Advisor, SSA Mission, Uttar Pradesh	Member
iii)	Shri Samar Ray, former Deputy CAG	Member
iv)	Shri Ashok Ganguly, Ex-Chairman, CBSE	Member
V)	Ms. Sudha Rao, NUEPA	Member
vi)	Mr. Mohd. Tajuddin, representative of O/o Supreme Court	Member
	Commissioner (Andhra Pradesh)	

Nutri	tion Experts	
vii)	Dr. Rita Raghuvanshi, Dean, College of Home Science, GB Pant University, Uttarakhand	Member
viii)	Dr. Pranati Das, Principal Scientist, Assam Agriculture University	Member
ix)	Dr. Mridula Saxena, Professor & Head, NCERT, Bhopal	Member
x)	Dr. A. Laxmaiah, Scientist, National Institute of Nutrition, Hyderabad	Member
xi)	Dr. Jagmeet Madan, Principal, SNDT, Maharashtra	Member
xii)	Dr. Amritaveni, Dean, Avinashilingam Institute of Home Science, Coimbatore	Member

- 3. The total duration of the JRM would be 9 days with following break up
  - i) One day for national level briefing meeting,
  - ii) four days for field visits
  - iii) two days for report writing and presentation to the State Government; and
  - iv) two days for national level report writing and presentation
- 4. The JRM would be deputed in the 2<sup>nd</sup> fortnight of March, 2015. The final dates for the visit of the JRM would be intimated later in consultation with the Mission Leader.
- 5. The necessary arrangements for the members of the Joint Review Mission for accommodation, food and transport during the visit to State / District / school shall be made by the respective State Government. The expenditure on Joint Review Mission would be incurred by the respective State Government and the same would be reimbursed by the GOI after receiving the duly verified bills and vouchers from the respective States.
- 6. The JRM members will be provided air / train tickets from their place of stay to the respective State and back by Project Manager, TSG-MDM, Ed.CIL(India) Limited after receiving the itinerary from the respective Mission Leader / respective Members. The professional fees of the members would also be provided by the Project Manager, TSG-MDM, Ed.CIL(India) Limited as per Government of India rules.

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7. This Department would also request the State Governments for extending necessary cooperation to the JRM during their visit and provide relevant documents / records as per the demand of the members of the JRM. The Mission Leader is requested to kindly indicate the State-wise names of the members and dates of their visit so that the States are informed in advance accordingly.

Yours faithfully,

(Gaya Prasad)

Director

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## Copy to:

- i) All the members of the Joint Review Mission (By Name)
- ii) Principal Secretaries / Secretaries of Education Department of Governments of Assam, Karnataka, Telangana, Punjab, West Bengal and Maharashtra for information and necessary action.
- iii) Sr. PPS to Secretary(SE&L), Ministry of HRD
- iv) PPS to JS(EE.I), Ministry of HRD
- v) Shri Vijay K. Vaid, Project Manager, TSG-MDM, Ed.CIL (India) Limited for information and necessary action.