

**Brief Note on Mid Day Meal Scheme  
(KERALA)  
(08-05-2017)**

**1 Background**

Mid-Day Meal Scheme was first introduced in Kerala during 1984 in the Lower Primary Schools functioning in 222 Villages, having Fishermen as majority community. Government of India launched the above scheme as a Centrally Sponsored one on 15<sup>th</sup> of August 1995. for children studying in primary classes in Government, Local bodies and Govt. Aided Schools. The Scheme is now covering children up to Upper Primary classes of Government, Government aided schools, National Child Labour Project schools and Madarsas & Maqtabas supported under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA).

**2. Performance during 2016-17 ( Up to December, 2016)**

**A. Physical**

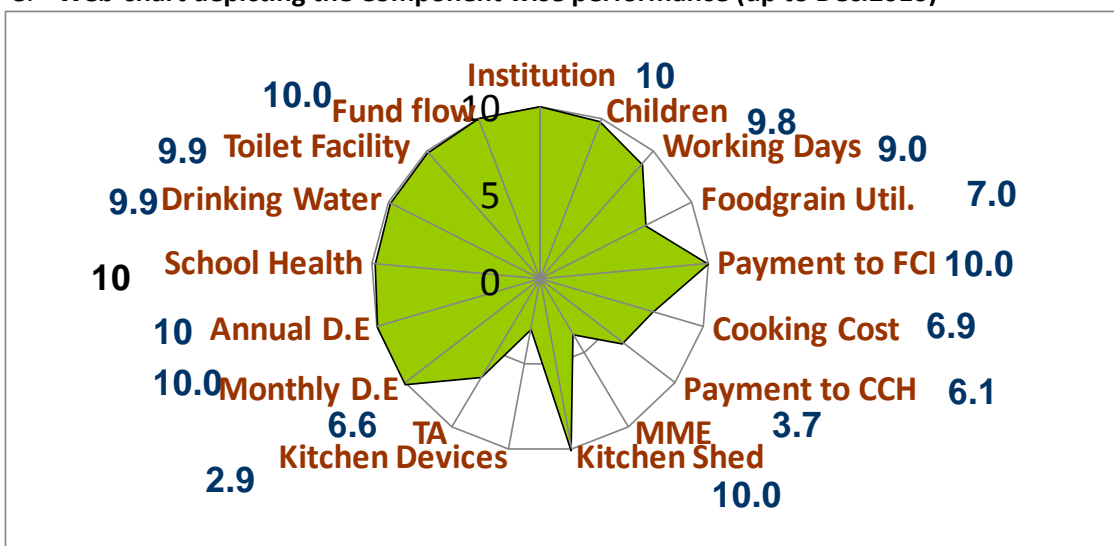
Components		Approvals	Coverage/ Achievement	%age
Institutions (Existing)		12358	12358	100
Children	Pry.	1603756	1584260	99
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Working Days	Pry.	138	137	99
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Cook-cum-helpers		14554	14373	99
Kitchen-cum-stores		3031	0	0
Kitchen Devices		13831	4019	29
Food grains (MTs)		62669	43703	70

**B. Financial**

(Rs. in lakh)

Components	Allocations	Performance	Performance in %
Payment to FCI bills	1240	1240	100
Cooking Cost	400	276	69
Honorarium to CCH	131.29	79.70	61
MME	334	124	37
Transport Assistance	470	310	66
Kitchen-cum-stores	0	0	0
Kitchen Devices	691.55	200.95	29

**C. Web-chart depicting the Component wise performance (up to Dec.2016)**



### **3. Challenges**

- i. Headmaster procures food material from Civil Supplies Corporation's outlets.
- ii. Only one meeting of District Level Committee held in Idukki. No meeting held in other districts.
- iii. Less coverage of working days (15 in Upper Primary and 01 in Primary)
- iv. Less utilisation of MME (37% only).
- v. No testing of meals from recognised laboratories.
- vi. Automated Monitoring System not yet fully operational.
- vii. LPG in 32% schools only. Fire wood used in remaining schools.

### **4. Best Practices**

- i. 60% of the requirement of cooking cost & honorarium to cook-cum-helpers for the 6 months is released to schools in the beginning academic year.
- ii. E-transfer of funds for cooking cost, honorarium to CCH and cost of food grain.
- iii. Additional contribution by State in Cooking Cost, honorarium to Cook-cum-helpers, and Transportation Charges.
- iv. Egg once a week and Milk (150 ml twice a week) served from State's resources.
- v. Local self Government Institutions, Non-Governmental Organizations, Charitable Trusts, City Corporations PTAs provide breakfast to children in 1600 schools.
- vi. Multiple tap hand washing facility available in all schools.
- vii. 5 kg rice given to children from State resources during the Onam festival vacations.

<b>5. Outlay approved for 2017-18</b>	<b>Rs.203.42 Cr.</b>
<b>6. Ad-hoc release during 2017-18</b>	<b>Rs.50.85 Cr.</b>

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