

**Brief Note on Mid Day Meal Scheme
(Himachal Pradesh)**

1. **Approved outlay** by Programme Approval Board for Mid Day Meal Scheme (PAB-MDM) for the Year 2021-22 is Rs.106000.65 Lakhs. The Central Govt. has already released Ad-hoc Instalment of Central Assistance (including Additional Grant for Cooking Cost for Summer Vacation for distribution of Food Safety Allowances) for Rs.2193.98 Lacs to the Government of **Himachal Pradesh**.
2. **Releases and expenditure under MDMS to Himachal Pradesh.**

(Rs. in Lacs)

Year	Funds Allocated / Released	Expenditure/ Release	%Expenditure (Approx.)
2016-17	8777.41	8633.17	98%
2017-18	8812.95	8796.78	100%
2018-19	8736.34	8852.25	101%
2019-20	8586.33	8375.11	98%
2020-21	11085.52	11085.52	100%
2021-22	10600.65 #	2193.98 \$	21%

(# Central Share)

(\$ Released during 2021-22 including Additional Grant for Cooking Cost for Summer Vacation for distribution of Food Safety Allowances.)

3. Coverage of children against enrolment Year wise

Year	Enrolment			Coverage			% Coverage		
	Pry	U. Pry	Total	Pry	U. Pry	Total	Pry	U. Pry	Total
2016-17	318148	238800	556948	301100	225077	526177	95	94	94
2017-18	306912	217793	524705	282511	200411	482922	92	92	92
2018-19	301782	208022	509804	276601	191049	467649	92	92	92
2019-20	295772	202002	497774	269013	184545	453558	91	91	91
2020-21	284135	205795	489030	258538	178639	437177	91	87	89

Sources : -- AWP&B – 2021-22

4. Challenges in the implementation of MDMS

- I. Delay in the release of funds for more than 1 Month from State to Block.
- II. CCH Honorarium Opening Balance was Negative in State Share.
- III. Social Audit not yet conducted as per MOE guideline.
- IV. No Manpower available at Block level to implement the MDM at school level.

5. Best Practices being followed in the State for effective implementation of the scheme:-

- I. Additional State Share of Rs. 1000/- p.m. for Honorarium to Cook cum Helpers.
- II. LPG based cooking in 97% schools.
- III. 89% Children having Aadhar.
- IV. 52% Schools having Kitchen garden.
- V. Toll Free No. 1800 180 8007 set up for Grievance Redressal of MDMS
