# F. No. 5-1/2021 Desk(MDM) Government of India Ministry of Education Department of School Education & Literacy PM POSHAN Division

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi Dated the 17<sup>th</sup> June,2022

# Subject: Allocation of additional foodgrains to Governments of Rajasthan, Karnataka, West Bengal and Gujarat under PM POSHAN Scheme for the additional coverage of children and/or working days over and above the PAB-PM POSHAN approval for financial year 2021-22.

Department of Food & Public Distribution has concurred the allocation of additional foodgrains of **28161.55 MTs** of **fortified rice and 27690.47 MTs of wheat** vide O.M. No. 4-2/2021-BP-II(e-375450) dated 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (copy enclosed) to Govt. of Rajasthan, Karnataka, West Bengal and Gujarat at National Food Security Act (NFSA) prices i.e. Rs.2.00 per kg of wheat and Rs.3.00 per kg of rice under PM POSHAN Scheme for the FY 2021-22 as per the following :-

SI. No.	States & UTs	Additional requirement of Food grains (in MTs)		
		Rice	Wheat	Total
1	Rajasthan	6372.40	12744.82	19117.22
2	Karnataka	3558.15	661.67	4219.82
3	West Bengal	3947.02	0.00	3947.02
4	Gujarat	14283.98	14283.98	28567.96
Total		28161.55	27690.47	55852.02

The validity period for lifting of foodgrains will be upto 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2022.

2. States are requested to further allocate the food grains to their districts as per their requirement on the basis of approved number of children and working days under intimation to this Department as well as to Food Corporation of India (FCI) for supply of food grains accordingly.

3. After receiving food grains allocation from the States, the District Administration will send a schedule (periodicity and date/week) of lifting of food grains to the local FCI depot depending upon its requirement, transportation convenience and storage capacity. The validity period for lifting of food grains will be as per extant guidelines.

4. District Administration may lift allocated food grains on monthly, bi-monthly or quarterly basis as indicated in its schedule, in accordance with the guidelines issued by Department of Food & Public Distribution, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution, Govt. of India vide their letter No. 1-2/2008-BP.II dated 18.9.2008, from the FCI godowns starting from the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the month preceding the allocation quarter and up to 25<sup>th</sup> of the last month of the allocation quarter. Districts officers are, therefore, required to be directed to lift the food grains accordingly.

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5. Payment of the cost of food grains will be made by District authorities within 20 days of the receipt of bills from FCI as per the guidelines issued by this Department vide letter No. 1-15/2009- Desk(MDM) dated 10.2.2010. The guidelines for decentralization of payment of cost of food grains to FCI at district level under PM POSHAN Scheme (erstwhile Mid Day Meal Scheme) may also be downloaded from the website of this Department www.mdm.nic.in. These instructions may be followed strictly by the States.

6. Procedure laid down in para 3.6 to 3.9 of the above mentioned guidelines dated 10.02.2010 on decentralization of payment of cost of food grains shall be followed meticulously to ensure that the best quality food grains, which in any case will not be inferior to Fair Average Quality (FAQ), is lifted from the FCI godown. The process followed at the time of receipt of food grains from FCI depots should be repeated at each level till the foodgrains reach the end user to ensure that only good quality food grains are delivered for consumption by children. Records/samples to ensure quality should be maintained at all levels.

7. As per para 5.2 of the above mentioned guidelines dated 10.02.2010, a monthly report on payment to FCI and quantity of food grains lifted and released to schools/cooking agency may be furnished in the prescribed format (*Annexure*) latest by 15<sup>th</sup> of the each following month strictly on regular basis. The Monthly Progress Report (MPR) may also be emailed on monthly basis.

8. Further, the State Govts. are requested to furnish consolidated Utilization Certificate in the prescribed proforma GFR – 19A duly signed by the concerned Directorfor the foodgrains allocated to them under PM POSHAN Scheme for the year 2021-22. In the Utilization Certificate, only the quantity actually consumed at the school/cooking agency level will be indicated as utilized. Whatever remains in school/cooking agency/Block/District level stores/godowns will be shown as unspent balance.

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To,

The Additional Chief Secretaries/ Principal Secretaries/ Secretaries to the Nodal Department of State Govt. of Rajasthan, Karnataka, West Bengal and Gujarat dealing with PM POSHAN Scheme

### Copy to:

 The Executive Director (Sales), Food Corporation of India, 16-20, Barakhamba Lane, New Delhi – 110 001 with the photocopy of the above mentioned OM of the Department of Food & Public Distribution for issuing instruction to all concerned to make available at least of FAQ quality of foodgrain at the FCI godowns, facilitate lifting of the same and submit bills to district authorities within 10 days after lifting for payment by them.

- The Under Secretary, Department of Food & Public Distribution (BP-II Section), Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi w.r.t. their OM No. 4-2/2021-BP-II(e-375450) dated 15.06.2022
- 3. The Directors, PM POSHAN Scheme of States of Rajasthan, Karnataka, West Bengal and Gujarat for necessary action.
- 4. Director(GVB) / DS(DA) / US(SA)
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#### 4-2/2021-BP-II (e-375450)

Government of India

Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution

Department of Food and Public Distribution

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi, Dated the 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2022

### **OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

Subject: Allocation of additional foodgrains under PM POSHAN Scheme for the additional coverage of children and working day over and above the PAB-PM POSHAN approval for financial year 2021-22 in r/o Rajasthan, Karnataka, West Bengal and Gujarat.

In continuation of this Department's O.M. of even number dated 18.03.2021, 23.09.2021, 10.06.2022, 14.06.2022 and in pursuance of O.M. No. 5-2/2022 Desk(PMP) dated 09.06.2022 of Department of School Education & Literacy on the above mentioned subject, the undersigned is directed to convey the approval of this Department for allocation of **28161.55 MT of fortified rice and 27690.47 MT of wheat** for 2021-22 to Ministry of Education, Department of school Education & Literacy at NFSA prices i.e. Rs. 2 per kg of wheat and Rs. 3 per kg of rice, under PM POSHAN Scheme.

2. The validity period for lifting of foodgrains will be **upto 31 July 2022**.

3. The Department of School Education & Literacy may communicate State/UT-wise allocation of the allocated quantity of foodgrains to FCI and States/UTs well in time and ensure its lifting within the stipulated validity period by States/UTs.

4. Food Corporation of India (FCI) would issue foodgrains as per State/UT-wise allocation for the year 2021-22 with breakup to be made by the Department of School Education and Literacy.

5. The Department of School Education & Literacy is also requested to furnish consolidated Utilization Certificate in the prescribed pro forma GFR - 19A duly signed by the concerned Director for the foodgrains allocated to them under PM POSHAN Scheme for the year 2021-22.

6. The Department of School Education & Literacy may ensure that FCI gets full payment in respect of food grains released by it to States/UTs under the Scheme & utilization certificates are furnished by the State/UT Governments to it in time. They are also requested to make payment of outstanding amounts to FCI without any delay, as FCI bears huge amount of interest on unpaid outstanding amount.

7. The Department of School Education & Literacy is further requested to verify that the additional quantity indented is as per additional number of children and/or working days.

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**D/o School Education & Literacy, Ministry of Education,** (Kind Attention: Sh. Ajay Kumar, Under Secretary (PM POSHAN)) Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.

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