

MOST IMMEDIATE

**No. 1-4/2017-EE.5(MDM-1-2)
Government of India
Ministry of Human Resource Development
Department of School Education & Literacy
(Mid Day Meal Division)**

Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi.
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Subject: Additional allocation of foodgrains to UT administration Daman and Diu under National Programme of Mid-Day Meal in Schools (MDMS)

Department of Food & Public Distribution has concurred the additional allocation of **11.83 MT of food grain(rice) vide O.M. No. 4-2/2017-BP-II dated 23.03.2018** at National Food Security Act (NFSA) rates i.e. Rs.2.00 per kg for wheat and Rs.3.00 per kg for rice to Govt. of Daman & Diu due to increase in 4 additional working days under National Programme of Mid-Day Meal in Schools (MDMS) during 2017-18.

2. UT is 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 grain allocation from the UT, 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 can lift allocated food grains 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 1st day of the month preceding the allocation quarter and up to 25th of the last month of the allocation quarter. Districts officers are, therefore, required to be directed to lift the food grains accordingly.

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 MDM Scheme can also be downloaded from the website of this Department www.mdm.nic.in. These instructions may be followed strictly by UT.