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D.O. No. 4-1/2020-MDM-1-1 (EE.5)

Dated the 23rd December, 2020

Dear Sir / Madam,

As you are aware that Government of India through Department of Health and Family Welfare has decided to conduct a nation-wide polio vaccination campaign on **17th January, 2021**. In this regard, a copy of D.O letter no. T-13012/01/2020-Imm-9 (part-1) dated 16.12.2020 received from Ministry of Health and Family Welfare is enclose herewith for information. India continues to maintain its polio free status, though wild polio cases are being reported globally only from two neighboring countries. This has been made possible due to sensitive polio surveillance with quality pulse polio rounds to maintain population immunity. To maintain this and to mitigate the risk of polio, the India Expert Advisory Group on Polio eradication has recommended intensive polio vaccination campaigns until the virus is interrupted globally.

2. You are, therefore, advised to take suitable steps to ensure that the schools in your State/UT make a special efforts to mobilize families to the immunization booths on the immunization day through rallies and other communication activities which may be organized by school children. Booths are to be set up in all schools wherever requested by the State Governments and messages are sent to the community through the school children for mobilization of the children under 5 years of age to the polio vaccination booths. **All the infection prevention and COVID 19 appropriate protocols will be adhered to while conducting this mass drive.**

3. I shall appreciate your cooperation in making Polio Vaccination Campaign a successful implementation in your State/UT.

With regards,

Encl: As above:

Yours sincerely,

(R.C MEENA)

The Education Secretaries/ Nodal Officer for Mid Day Meal in all the States/UTs.





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Government of India

Department of Health and Family Welfare
Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

D.O. No. T-13012/01/2020-Imm-part (1)

16th December 2020

Dear Anita,

As you may be aware, the last case of Polio in India was reported on 13th January 2011. India continues to maintain its polio free status, though wild polio cases are being reported globally only from two of our neighboring countries. This has been made possible due to sensitive polio surveillance with quality pulse polio rounds to maintain population immunity. The Ministries of the Central Government, State Governments, partners and other stake holders must be appreciated for having worked together to ensure that the country maintain population immunity by observing quality pulse polio rounds thereby helping the country to remain polio free.

2. In the last three years, the world is seeing a surge in polio cases in two polio-endemic countries in our immediate Neighborhood. In 2020 (till 17 Nov), 135 wild polio virus cases have been reported as compared to 176 cases for entire period of 2019. Hence, there is no room for complacency. To mitigate this risk, the India Expert Advisory Group on Polio eradication has recommended intensive polio vaccination campaigns until the virus is interrupted globally. As per these recommendations, the Department of Health and Family Welfare has decided to conduct a nation-wide polio vaccination campaign on **17th January, 2021**. All the Infection prevention and COVID-19 appropriate protocols will be adhered to while conducting this mass drive.

3. Since the inception of the programme, your Ministry has been supporting these polio vaccination campaigns. We again solicit your unstinting support for the upcoming pulse polio campaign. The schools may kindly be advised to ensure that efforts are made through rallies by school children for mobilizing families to the immunization booths on the immunization day, booths are set up in all schools wherever requested by the state governments and messages are sent to the community through the school children for mobilization of the children under-5 years of age to the polio vaccination booths on the NID.

Regards.

Yours sincerely,

18 DEC 2020

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