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New Delhi-110001
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Subject: Minutes of the meeting of Programme Approval Board (PAB) held on 16.06.2020 to consider Annual Work Plan and Budget (AWP&B) in respect of State of West Bengal under Mid-Day Meal Scheme for 2020-21.

The meeting of Programme Approval Board Mid-Day Meal Scheme to consider the Annual Work Plan & Budget 2020-21 in respect of **State of West Bengal** was held on 16.06.2020 at New Delhi, through Video Conferencing.

2. A copy of the minutes of the above meeting is enclosed for information & necessary action.


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Minutes of the meeting of Programme Approval Board held on 16-06-2020 to consider the Annual Work Plan & Budget (AWP&B) 2020-21 of Mid-Day Meal Scheme for the State of West Bengal.

The meeting of the Programme Approval Board-Mid-Day Meal (PAB-MDM) was held in New Delhi through video conferencing on 16-06-2020. The list of participants in the meeting is enclosed at *Annexure-I*.

The agenda before the PAB-MDM was:

- i. To review the status and progress of the implementation of Mid-Day Meal Scheme in the State of West Bengal.
 - ii. To consider the Annual Work Plan and Budget (AWP&B) 2020-21 proposal of West Bengal for MDM Scheme.
2. Joint Secretary (EE.I), welcomed the members of PAB-MDM and made opening remarks. He appreciated State Government's good practices/initiatives viz. Additional contribution of Rs.500/- per month over and above the mandatory State Share in honorarium of Cook-cum-helpers from their own resources, providing an egg once in a week to all children from their own resources, construction of 8263 units of dining hall in the schools from their own resources, LPG is used as mode of cooking in 100% schools.
3. Principal Secretary (Education), Govt. of West Bengal briefed the PAB about the performance of Mid-Day Meal Scheme in the State during 2019-20 and the initiatives taken by the State Government for improving the effectiveness of the scheme and Annual Work Plan and Budget (AWP&B) 2020-21 proposals. Deputy Secretary (MDM), Govt. of India also briefed on the analysis of the performance of the State in the implementation of Mid-Day Meal Scheme during 2019-20.

4. Review of Performance during 2019-20

4.1 Coverage of children:

4.1.1 Average number of children availed MDM vis-à-vis enrolment:

The State has enrollment of 7317679 children in Primary and 4244786 children in Upper Primary. Out of these 6830713 children (93%) in Primary and 4111755 children (97%) in Upper Primary have availed MDM on an average basis during the year 2019-20.

4.1.2 Average number of children availed MDM vis-à-vis PAB-MDM Approval:

The PAB-MDM has approved 6753947 children at Primary and 4137265 children at Upper Primary level, out of which, 6830713 children (101%) at Primary and 4111755 children (99%) at Upper Primary have availed Mid Day Meal on an average basis during the year 2019-20.

Comments of PAB: PAB appreciated the effort of the State both in Primary and Upper Primary level.

4.2 School Working Days:

The PAB-MDM has approved 230 working days for both Primary and Upper Primary level, State has covered 230 days both in Primary and Upper Primary.

Comments of PAB: PAB appreciated the 100% coverage of the working days both in Primary and Upper Primary level.

4.3 Fund Flow Mechanism

Funds are e-transferred from State to Districts level, District to Block and Block to schools.

Comments of PAB: PAB observed that Schools have been received funds from State level in one month. State is advised to reduce time to release funds to the school level.

4.4 Management Monitoring and Evaluation (MME):

State has reported utilization of 100% of the funds under MME during 2019-20.

Comments of PAB: PAB appreciated the efforts of State Government and advised them to keep on utilizing the MME funds for better implementation of the scheme.

4.5 Engagement of Cook-cum-Helpers (CCH) and honorarium

State has engaged 1,63,455 CCH in Primary vis-à-vis PAB-MDM approval of 1,68,751 and 77,375 CCH in Upper Primary vis-a-vis PAB-MDM approval of 80,048. State is providing an additional amount of Rs.500 per CCH per month.

Comments of PAB: PAB appreciated the additional contribution made by the State towards honorarium to CCH. State is advised to engaged all the Cook-cum-Helpers approved by PAB.

4.6 Kitchen-cum-Stores (Construction as well as Repair):

Central assistance of Rs. 87373.99 lakh has been released for construction of 81856 Kitchen-cum-Stores since 2006-07. State informed that construction of 81582 Kitchen-cum-stores has been completed and construction of 274 kitchen-cum-stores is in progress as on 31-03-2020.

Central assistance of Rs. 701.52 lakh has been released for repair of 11692 Kitchen-cum-Stores. Repair work has been completed for 11692 Kitchen-cum-Stores.

Comments of PAB: PAB appreciated the efforts of State. State is advised to complete the construction of 274 kitchen-cum-stores by 30th September, 2020.

4.7 Kitchen Devices (new as well as replacement):

Central assistance of Rs. 4542.75 lakh has been released towards procurement of 90855 units of kitchen devices since 2006-07. The State has reported that 90855 units of kitchen devices have been procured.

Central assistance of Rs.4495.70 lakh has also been released for replacement of 89914 units of kitchen devices. The State has reported that 89914 units of kitchen devices have been procured as replacement.

Comments of PAB: PAB appreciated the efforts of State.

4.8 School Nutrition (Kitchen) Gardens:

Government of West Bengal informed that School Nutrition Gardens (SNG) have been developed in 9716 schools.

Comments of PAB: PAB advised the State Govt. to develop School Nutrition (Kitchen) Garden, in all the remaining schools.

4.9 School Health Programme (Rashtriya Bal Swasthya Karyakram (RBSK), Weekly Iron & Folic Acid Supplementation, National De-worming Day etc.) and Nutrition in convergence with other Ministries:

It was observed that health checkup has been carried out for 6632732 (57%) children, out of total enrolment of 11560465 children.

Enrolment	No. of Children		
	Health check up (RBSK)	Iron & Folic Acid tablets (WIFS)	De-worming tablets (NDD)
11560465	6632732 (57%)	7919380 (69%)	1655383 (14%)

Comments of PAB: PAB advised the State to keep close convergence with the health department to ensure coverage of 100% children under various provisions of RBSK.

4.10 Tithi Bhojan or similar practices

“Tithi Bhojan” is an initiative started by the States and UTs with different nomenclature, with an aim to provide additional nutrition to children studying in schools. Under this program

community provides full meal or additional items on special occasions such as festivals, anniversaries, birthdays, marriages, and days of national importance etc. It was emphasized that Tithi Bhojan is not a substitute to Mid-Day Meal and this only supplement or complements Mid - Day Meal. Guidelines on Tithi Bhojan have already been issued by MHRD. West Bengal has not yet started such initiative whereas all Districts officials have been instructed to implement the same in the schools.

Comments of PAB: PAB advised the State to encourage the concept of 'Tithi Bhojan' by giving a suitable name for community participation, duly following all possible precautionary measures, in Mid Day Meal Scheme. This would help in promoting a sense of ownership of the scheme among the community and the children may get supplementary nutrition in the form of sweets, namkeen, seasonal fruits etc.

4.11 Supplementary Nutrition:

State informed that one egg per week per child have been provided to children for the supplementary nutrition. State Govt. proposed to provide egg (cost =Rs.5/- per egg) per child for 55 days in seven districts viz. Bankura, Birbhum, Jalpaiguri (Tea garden), W/Medinipur, Purulia, Jhargram and Sundarban Areas covering 23.86 lakh children.

Comments of PAB: PAB appreciated the provision of egg from State's own resources.

4.12 Testing of Meals:

State Government informed that testing of food has been carried out by Mitra S K Private Limited, accredited laboratories. The 40 samples collected from Alipurduar, Cooch Behar, Uttar Dinajpur and Dakshin Dinajpur Districts during 2019-20. All 40 schools' samples tested and met the MDM norms.

Comments of PAB: PAB advised State to increase the number of samples for testing of meals including samples from school-based kitchen during 2020-21.

4.13 Grievance Redressal Mechanism and status of disposal of complaints

State Government informed that the guidelines for grievance redressal mechanism has been issued to all the districts. Displayed important contact numbers in the schools, a Committee on Grievance Redressal relating to MDM programme has been set up at the Block level, Municipality level., Gram Panchayat level. The committee enquires all complaints on MDM and takes necessary remedial measures within 30 days from the date of receipt of complaint. A log book has been maintained at the block/municipality level for recording of complaints and actions taken. Complain can be logged through online, complain box, telephone etc. It was informed that 80 complaints were received by the State during 2019- 20 and all of them have been disposed.

Comments of PAB: PAB advised the State to give wide publicity of the scheme, display of entitlement of children under MDM etc. for creation of enhanced awareness among community. State was advised to create a toll-free number to strengthen the grievance redressal mechanism. PAB also stressed on timely disposal of complaints.

4.14 Cooking Competitions:

State has not organized cooking competitions during 2019-20.

Comments of PAB: PAB advised the State to organize cooking competitions at various levels. It was also suggested to include children as judges along with the nutritionists, as they are the ultimate beneficiaries of mid day meal.

4.15 Training of Cook-cum-Helpers and other capacity building activities:

State has informed that out of 83945 engaged Cook-cum-Helpers, training has been imparted to 16554 cook-cum-helpers and 900 Master Trainers through UTKARSH BANGLA.

Comments of PAB: PAB advised to train the remaining cook cum helpers in 2020-21. PAB advised the State to conduct periodic refresher trainings for all the Cook-cum-Helpers by utilizing services of Institutes of Hotel Management / Food Craft Institutes etc.

4.16 Data Entry on MDM-MIS Web Portal:

MDM-MIS portal captures information on critical indicators of MDMS. The annual data entry module captures master data on availability of kitchen-cum-stores, kitchen devices, number of cook-cum-helpers engaged, mode of cooking etc. The monthly data entry module captures data on number of days Mid-Day Meal was served; number of meals served, honorarium paid to cook-cum-helpers engaged, number of children received IFA tablets, number of children screened under Rashtriya Bal Swasthya Karyakram (RBSK) etc. The State has completed annual data entry for 99.98% schools and monthly data entry for 91% in the MIS portal.

Comments of PAB: PAB advised State to complete the annual & monthly data entry in a time bound manner.

4.17 Status of implementation of Automated Monitoring System (AMS):

AMS has been put in place for real time monitoring of MDMS. Data on number of meals served on the particular day and reasons if meals not served is being captured from schools with no cost to school head masters/teachers. Out of 82430 schools registered in AMS, daily data has been reported by 79178 schools i.e. 96% schools on Automated Monitoring System.

Comments of PAB: PAB appreciated the efforts of State and advised them to scale up the reportage to 100% schools on all school working days.

4.18 Centralized kitchens:

No Centralized Kitchen has been engaged for serving the hot cooked meals to the children in State. However, 92 Cluster Kitchens are serving meals to 176442 children in Hawrah, Kolkata, North 24 Parganas and West Bardhaman Districts.

Comments of PAB : PAB advised the State to adhere to the extant guidelines for engaging Civil Society Organisations / Non-Government Organisations in Mid Day Meal Scheme.

4.19 Social Audit:

Social Audit has not been conducted during 2019-20.

Comments of PAB: State was informed that under the provisions of section 28 of National Food Security Act, 2013 Social Audit of the scheme is mandatory. As per the MDM guidelines, it is mandatory to conduct Social Audit in all districts. State was advised to conduct social audit in all districts during 2020-21. The Social Audit Units (SAU) set up under MNREGS, may be actively involved in conducting Social Audit of MDM in all districts. State was also advised to share the reports of Social Audit with MHRD.

4.20 Provision of MDM or Food Security Allowance during closure of schools due to COVID-19

MHRD has advised all States and UTs vide letter dated 20.03.2020 and 29.04.2020 regarding provision of mid day meal or Food Security Allowance to the eligible children under Mid Day Meal Scheme during closure of schools on account of COVID-19 and summer vacations during 2020-21 respectively.

The State informed that food grains and potatoes were provided to all children as Food Security Allowance during closure of schools for 30 days. State has also proposed to provide Food Security Allowance to 6804546 children in Primary and 4137922 children in Upper Primary Level for 25 days during summer vacations.

Comments of PAB: PAB appreciated the provision of Food Security Allowance during closure of schools.

4.21 Other proposals and issues discussed, if any

- i) State Government has requested to enhance the honorarium of Cook-cum- Helpers @ Rs. 2000 per month for 12 months instead of 10 months.
- ii) Introduction of Mid Day Meal in Pre-Primary, Class IX and X.

Comments of PAB: The proposal of the State has been noted.

5. Component wise Proposals and PAB-MDM Approvals

It may be noted that hot cooked mid-day meal shall be served to every child studying in class I to VIII, on all school days in all eligible schools as per the MDM guidelines.

5.1 Coverage of children

State Government has proposed to cover 6804546 children in Primary classes and 4111755 children in Upper Primary classes and 26167 children in Special Training Centers (NCLP) on an average basis during 2020-21.

Approval of PAB: Following the discussions, PAB-MDM approved State's proposals to cover 6804546 children in Primary classes and 4111755 children in Upper Primary classes and 26167 children in Special Training Centers (NCLP) on an average basis during 2020-21.

5.2 Coverage of Working Days

State Government has proposed to serve MDM on 230 days in Primary, 230 days in Upper Primary schools and 312 days in Special Training Centers (NCLP) during 2020-21.

Approval of PAB: Following the discussions, PAB-MDM approved the proposal of State to serve MDM on 230 days in Primary, 230 days in Upper Primary schools and 312 days in Special Training Centers (NCLP) during 2020-21.

5.3 Cook-cum-Helpers (CCH)

State Government has proposed to engage 168751 Cook-cum-Helpers in Primary and 80048 Cook-cum-Helpers in Upper Primary under Mid Day Meal Scheme during 2020-21.

Approval of PAB: Following the discussions, PAB-MDM approved the proposal of State to engage 168751 Cook-cum-Helpers in Primary and 80048 Cook-cum-Helpers in Upper Primary under Mid Day Meal Scheme during 2020-21.

5.4 Drought

No Drought has been notified in the State.

Approval of PAB: Not applicable.

5.5 Construction and repair of Kitchen-cum-stores

State has also proposed repair of 36958 kitchen-cum-stores with an outlay of Rs.3695.80 Lakh, which comprises of Rs 2217.48 lakh as Central share and Rs.1478.32 Lakh as State share.

Approval of PAB: PAB-MDM also approved the proposal of State for repair of 36958. kitchen-cum-stores with an outlay of Rs.3695.80 Lakh, which comprises of Rs.2217.48 lakh as Central share and Rs.1478.32 Lakh as State share.

The above approvals for construction and repair of kitchen-cum-stores are subject to submission of detailed proposal along with Schedule of Rates approved by the State Government and list of schools including UDISE codes within two months.

5.6 Kitchen Devices

State has also proposed replacement of 33954 Kitchen devices with an outlay of Rs.5534.25 Lakh, which comprises of Rs 3320.55 lakh as Central share and Rs.2213.70 Lakh as State share.

Approval of PAB: PAB-MDM also approved the proposal of State for replacement of 33954 kitchen-cum-stores with an outlay of Rs. 5534.25 Lakh, which comprises of Rs.3320.55 lakh as Central share and Rs.2213.70 Lakh as State share.

The State will submit a proposal, within two months, along with list of schools including UDISE codes where Kitchen devices are to be procured / replaced.

5.7 Flexibility for new interventions

For School Nutrition Gardens and supplementary nutrition interventions, State may use a maximum of Rs 9503.85 (5% of total recurring Central and State share). This expenditure will be met from the funds available with the State (recurring Central Assistance + State Share).

5.7.1 School Nutrition (Kitchen) Gardens

State Government has proposed to develop and maintain 30000 School Nutrition (Kitchen) Gardens at an estimated expenditure of Rs 1500 Lakh, comprising of Rs.900 lakh as Central share and Rs.600 lakh as State share.

Approval of PAB: Following the discussions, PAB-MDM approved the proposal of State to develop and maintain 30000 School Nutrition Gardens at an estimated expenditure of Rs.1500 Lakh, comprising of Rs. 900 lakh as Central share and Rs.600 lakh as State share. This expenditure will be met from the funds available with the State (recurring Central Assistance + State Share).

Funds for this may be used from the funds available with the State from the recurring Central assistance released to the State.

5.7.2 Supplementary Nutrition

State Government has proposed to provide additional items like egg/milk at an estimated expenditure of Rs 6561.50 Lakh comprising of Rs 3936.90 lakh as Central share and Rs 2624.60 lakh as State share.

Approval of PAB: Following the discussions, PAB-MDM approved the proposal of State to provide items like egg/milk at an estimated expenditure of Rs 6561.50 Lakh comprising of Rs.3936.90 lakh as Central share and Rs 2624.60 lakh as State share. This expenditure will be met from the funds available with the State i.e. recurring Central Assistance released by the Central Government and State Share released by the state Government.

5.8 Cooking Competitions

State Government has proposed to organize cooking competitions at various levels i.e. Block level, District level and State level for promoting variety menu.

Approval of PAB: Following the discussions, PAB-MDM approved the proposal of State for organizing cooking competitions at various levels by utilizing MME funds.

5.9 Training of Cook-cum-Helpers

State has proposed to train all the engaged Cook-cum-Helpers during 2020-21.

Approval of PAB: Following the discussions, PAB-MDM approved the proposal of State for training of all the engaged Cook-cum-Helpers by utilizing MME funds.

5.10 Provision of MDM or Food Security Allowance (FSA) during summer vacation as a one time measure due to COVID-19

In compliance with the directions issued vide letter no. F. No. 1-2/2020 Desk (MDM) dated 29.04.2020 regarding provision of MDM or Food Security Allowance (FSA) during summer vacation as a one-time measure due to COVID-19, the State has submitted proposal for covering 6804546 children in Primary and 4137922 children in Upper Primary for 25 days, during summer vacations in 2020-21.

Approval of PAB: Following the discussions, PAB-MDM approved State's proposals to cover 6804546 children in Primary and 4137922 children in Upper Primary for 25 days of summer vacations during 2020-21.

6. Summary of PAB-MDM approvals (Physical) for the year 2020-21

6.1. Recurring and Non-Recurring (Physical)

S. No.	Component	PAB-MDM Approvals (Physical) for 2020-21
1	Schools	
1.1	Primary	67131
1.2	Upper Primary	16206
1.3	Special Training Centers (NCLP)	608
2	Children	
2.1	Primary	6804546
2.2	Upper Primary	4111755
2.3	Special Training Centers (NCLP)	26167
3	Working Days	
3.1	Primary	230
3.2	Upper Primary	230
3.3	Special Training Centers (NCLP)	312
4	Cook-cum-Helpers	
4.1	Primary	168751
4.2	Upper Primary	80048
5	Serving of MDM in Drought affected areas during summer vacations	
5.1	Children (Pry)	--
5.2	Children (U Pry)	--
5.3	Working days	--
5.4	Cook-cum-helpers	--
6	Non-Recurring	
6.1	Kitchen-cum-Stores	--
6.2	Repair of kitchen-cum-stores	36958

S. No.	Component	PAB-MDM Approvals (Physical) for 2020-21
6.3	Kitchen Devices	--
6.4	Kitchen Devices (Replacement)	33954
7	Provision of MDM during summer vacations 2020-21 as a one time measure	
7.1	Children (Pry)	6804546
7.2	Children (U Pry)	4137922
7.3	Working days	25

6.2 Flexibility for new interventions (Physical)

S. No.	Component	PAB Approvals (Physical) for 2020-21
1	Flexibility for new interventions	
1.1	School Nutrition (Kitchen) Gardens (Setting up in 30000 schools)	Develop 30000 SNGs by plantation of green vegetables and fruits in the school.
1.2	Supplementary Nutrition over and above existing provisions (including additional items already being provided by State)	One Egg/Milk @ Rs.5/- per child for 55 days in 7 mal nutrition districts covering 23.86 lakh children.

7. Summary of PAB-MDM approvals (Financial) for the year 2020-21

7.1 Recurring and Non-Recurring (Financial)

(Rs in Lakh)

S. No.	Particulars	Central Assistance	Minimum Mandatory State Share	Total (Central + State)
1	Recurring			
1.1	Serving of MDM during regular school working days	120555.34	69521.63	190076.97
1.2	Serving of MDM in Drought affected areas during summer vacations	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Total Recurring	120555.34	69521.63	190076.97

2	Non-Recurring								
2.1	Construction of Kitchen-cum-Store					0.00	0.00	0.00	
2.2	Repair of kitchen-cum-stores (36958 units)					2217.48	1478.32	3695.80	
2.3	Procurement of Kitchen Devices (new)					0.00	0.00	0.00	
2.4	Procurement of Kitchen Devices (Replacement)					3320.55	2213.70	5534.25	
	Enrolment Range	Schools	Per Unit (@ in Rs.)	Central (Figure in Lakh)	State (Figure in Lakh)				Total (Figure in Lakh)
	Enrolment range 01-50	12224	10000	733.44	488.96				1222.40
	Enrolment range 51-150	7811	15000	702.99	468.66				1171.65
	Enrolment range 151-250	6791	20000	814.92	543.28				1358.20
	Enrolment range 251 & Above	7128	25000	1069.20	712.80				1782.00
	Total	33954		3320.55	2213.70	5534.25			
Total Non-Recurring					5538.03	3692.02	9230.05		
Total (Recurring + Non-Recurring)					126093.37	73213.65	199307.02		
3	Provision of MDM during summer vacations 2020-21 as a one-time measure								
3.1	One time Assistance					11124.78	6468.01	17592.79	
Grand Total (1+2+3)					137218.15	79681.66	216899.81		

7.2 Flexibility for new interventions

S. No.	Particulars	Central Assistance	Minimum Mandatory State Share	Total (Central + State)
1	Flexibility for new interventions			
1.1	School Nutrition (Kitchen) Gardens (Setting up in 30000 schools)	900.00	600.00	1500.00
1.2	Supplementary Nutrition over and above existing provisions (including additional items already being provided by State)	3936.90	2624.60	6561.50

/	(One Egg/Milk @ Rs.5/- per child for 55 days covering 23.86 lakh children)			
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Note: This expenditure will be met from the funds available with the State (recurring Central Assistance + State Share).

8. The quantification of Central assistance of Rs. 137218.15 Lakh & 332113.31 MTs (299584.73 MT + 32528.58 MTs for summer vacation) food grains and minimum mandatory State share of Rs 79681.66 lakh has been done as per existing norms on the basis of PAB-MDM approvals for the year 2020-21. The detailed component- wise quantification for 2020-21 is at Appendix-I.
9. *It is clarified that the quantification of resources is only an estimate for release of Central Assistance and allocation of food grains during 2020-21 under the MDM Scheme. The National Food Security Act, 2013, MDM rules, MDM Guidelines and instructions issued from time to time, provide that every child attending an eligible institution is to be covered under the Scheme and shall be served hot cooked mid-day meal or provided with Food Security Allowance, as applicable, on all school days. During the year, if it is noticed by the State Govt. that more funds are needed to implement the Mid Day Meal Scheme, due to increase in the attendance of children, increase in school working days or for any other reason, they may approach Government of India at any time during the year with justification seeking additional Central Assistance and food grains.*
10. The State is advised to disseminate the approvals of the resources to all the field functionaries in the State and districts so as to enable all the eligible institutions to ensure that every child attending an eligible school must be served hot cooked Mid-Day Meals or provided with Food Security Allowance on all school days irrespective of the approvals of PAB-MDM.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.



STATE: WEST BENGAL

QUANTIFICATION OF CENTRAL ASSISTANCE FOR 2020-21A. Food grains

Sl. No.	Stage	No. of Children	Work ing days	Quantity (in MTs)		
				Rice	Whe at	Total
1	Primary (@ 100 gms per child per school day)	6804546	230	156504.56	0.00	156504.56
2	U. Primary (@150 gms per child per school day)	4111755	230	141855.55	0.00	141855.55
3	NCLP (@150 gms per child per school day)	26167	312	1224.62	0.00	1224.62
4	Drought					
4.1	Primary	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4.2	Upper Primary	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL		10942468		299584.73	0.00	299584.73
5	FSA during summer vacations as one-time measure					
5.1	Primary	6804546	25	17011.36	0	17011.36
5.2	Upper Primary	4137922	25	15517.21	0	15517.21
TOTAL		10942468				32528.57

B. Cost of Food-grains, Cooking cost, Transport Assistance, Honorarium to Cook-Cum-Helpers and Management Monitoring and Evaluation (MME)

Sl. No.	Component/norm	Amount admissible (Rs. in lakh)
1	2	3
Primary		
1	Cost of Food grains @ Rs. 3000 per MT for rice	4695.14

2	Unit Cooking Cost- Rs..4.97per child per day	
2.1	Central Share @ Rs. 2.98 per child per day	46638.36
2.2	Minimum Mandatory State Share @ Rs 1.99 per child per day	31144.41
3	Transportation Cost @ Rs.1400 Per MT food grains	2191.06
4	Honorarium for cook cum Helper	
4.1	Central Share - @ Rs 600 for 10 months)	10125.06
4.2	State Share - @ Rs 400 for 10 months)	6750.04
5	Management Monitoring and Evaluation (MME) @ 2.7% of the i) Cost of food grains ii) Cooking cost iii) Cost of transportation and iv) Honorarium to cook – cum-helpers	1718.54
Total Central Share for Primary		65368.16
Upper Primary		
6	Cost of Food grains @ Rs. 3000 per MT for rice	4255.67
7	Unit Cooking Cost- Rs. 7.45 per child per day	
7.1	Central share @ Rs. 4.47 per child per day	42272.95
7.2	Minimum Mandatory State Share @ Rs. 2.98 per child per day	28181.97
8	Transportation cost @ Rs1400 Per MT food grains	1985.98
9	Honorarium for cook cum Helper	
9.1	Central Share - @ Rs 600 for 10 months)	4802.88
9.2	State Share - @ Rs 400 for 10 months)	3201.92
10	Management Monitoring and Evaluation (MME) @ 2.7% of the i) Cost of food grains ii) Cooking cost iii) Cost of transportation and iv) Honorarium to cook – cum-helpers	1439.57
Total Central Share for Upper Primary		54757.05
NCLP		
11	Cost of Food grains @ Rs. 3000 per MT for rice	36.74

12	Unit Cooking Cost- Rs. 7.45 per child per day	
12.1	Central share @ Rs.4.47 per child per day	364.94
12.2	Minimum Mandatory State Share @ Rs. 2.98 per child per day	243.29
12.3	Transportation cost @ Rs. 1400 Per MT food grains	17.14
12.4	Management Monitoring and Evaluation (MME) @2.7% of the i) Cost of food grains ii) Cooking cost and iii) Cost of transportation	11.31
Total Central Share for NCLP		430.13
Total of Central Share (Primary + Upper Primary + NCLP)		120555.34

C. Drought : not notified

Sl. No.	Component/norm	Amount admissible
		(Rs. in lakh)
1	2	3
Primary		
1	Cost of Food grains @ Rs. 3000 per MT for rice and Rs 2000 per MT for wheat	--
2	Unit Cooking Cost- Rs. per child per day	
2.1	Central Share @ Rs. per child per day	--
2.2	Minimum Mandatory State Share @ Rs. per child per day	--
3	Transportation Cost @ Rs.Per MT food grains	--
4	Honorarium for cook cum Helper	
4.1	Central Share - @ Rs..... for 2 months)	--
4.2	State Share - @ Rs. For 2 months)	--
5	Management Monitoring and Evaluation (MME) @2.7% of the i) Cost of food grains ii) Cooking cost iii) Cost of transportation and iv) Honorarium to cook – cum-helpers	--
Total Central Share for Primary (Drought)		--

Upper Primary		
6	Cost of Food grains @ Rs. 3000 per MT for rice and Rs 2000 per MT for wheat	--
7	Unit Cooking Cost- Rs. per child per day	
7.1	Central share @ Rs.....per child per day	--
7.2	Minimum Mandatory State Share @Rs. 2.60 per child per day	--
8	Transportation cost @ Rs. Per MT food grains	--
9	Honorarium for cook cum Helper (included in Primary)	
9.1	Central Share - @ Rs. for... months)	--
9.2	State Share - @ Rs. for... months)	--
10	Management Monitoring and Evaluation (MME) @2.7% of the i) Cost of food grains ii) Cooking cost iii) Cost of transportation and iv) Honorarium to cook – cum-helpers	--
Total Central Share for Upper Primary (Drought)		--
Total Primary + Upper Primary (Drought)		

D. Non-recurring

Sl. No.	Component	Amount admissible (Rs in Lakh)																								
1	Kitchen-cum-store	0.00																								
2	Repair of kitchen-cum-store (36958 units)	2217.48																								
3	Kitchen Devices (New)	0.00																								
4	Kitchen Devices (Replacement)	3320.55																								
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	Enrolment range 251 & Above	7128	25000	1069.20	712.80	1782.00	
	Total	33954		3320.55	2213.70	5534.25	
Total Central Share (Non-recurring)							5538.03

E. Flexibility for new interventions*

(Rs in Lakh)

S. No.	Component	Centre Share	Minimum Mandatory State share	Total
1	Serving of MDM during regular school working days – from Table B	120555.34	69521.63	190076.97
2	Serving of MDM in Drought affected areas during summer vacations– from Table C	0.00	0.00	0.00
3	Total (1+2)	120555.34	69521.63	190076.97
4	Maximum admissible Funds for Flexibility for new interventions (5% of 3 above)	5702.31	3801.54	9503.85
PAB Approvals for flexible funds				
i)	School Nutrition (Kitchen) Gardens (30000 SNG @ Rs 5000 each)	900.00	600.00	1500.00
ii)	Supplementary Nutrition * (One Egg/Milk @ Rs.5/- per child for 55 days covering 23.86 lakh children)	3936.90	2624.60	6561.50
Total of (E)		4836.90	3224.60	8061.50

*This expenditure will be met from the funds available with the State (recurring Central Assistance + State Share).

F. Cost of Food-grains, Cooking cost, Transport Assistance for providing MDM or FSA during summer vacations as one time measure

Sl. No.	Component/norm	Amount admissible
		(Rs. in lakh)
1	2	3
Primary		
1	Cost of Food grains @ Rs. 3000 per MT for rice	510.34

2	Unit Cooking Cost- Rs. 4.97 per child per day	
2.1	Central Share @ Rs 2.98 per child per day	5069.39
2.2	Minimum Mandatory State Share @ Rs.1.99 per child per day	3385.26
3	Transportation Cost @ Rs 1400 Per MT food grains	238.16
Total Central Share for Primary		5817.89
Upper Primary		
4	Cost of Food grains @ Rs. 3000 per MT for rice	465.52
5	Unit Cooking Cost- Rs. 7.45 per child per day	
5.1	Central share @ Rs.4.47 per child per day	4624.13
5.2	Minimum Mandatory State Share @ Rs 2.98 per child per day	3082.75
6	Transportation cost @ Rs. 1400 Per MT food grains	217.24
Total Central Share for Upper Primary		5306.89
Total Central Share for Primary and Upper Primary		11124.78

G. Total Requirement of Funds for 2020-21

(Rs. in lakh)

Component		Centre Share	Minimum Mandatory State Share
Recurring	Normal	120555.34	69521.63
	Drought	0.00	0.00
Non- recurring		5538.03	3692.02
Total		126093.37	73213.65
For summer vacations as one time measure		11124.78	6468.01
Grand Total including summer vacations		137218.15	79681.66



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