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Government of India
Ministry of Education
Department of School Education & Literacy
PM -POSHAN Division

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated: 30th May, 2022

Subject: Minutes of the Meeting of Programme Approval Board (PAB) held on 21.04.2022 to consider the Annual Work Plan and Budget (AWP&B) in respect of UT Administration of Andaman & Nicobar Islands under PM POSHAN for 2022-23.

The meeting of Programme Approval Board-Pradhan Mantri Poshan Shakti Nirman(PAB-PM POSHAN) was held on 21.04.2022 through Video Conferencing to consider the Annual Work Plan & Budget 2022-23 in respect of **UT Administration of Andaman & Nicobar Islands.**

2. The minutes of the above PAB meeting have been approved by the Secretary, Department of School Education & Literacy. Please find enclosed a copy of the approved minutes for your information and necessary action.

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Minutes of the meeting of Programme Approval Board held on 21.04.2022 to consider the Annual Work Plan & Budget (AWP&B) 2022-23 of PM POSHAN Scheme for the U.T. of A&N Islands.

The meeting of the Programme Approval Board-PM POSHAN (PAB-PM POSHAN) was held in New Delhi through video conferencing on 21.04.2022. The list of participants in the meeting is enclosed at *Annexure-I*.

The agenda before the PAB-POSHAN was:-

- i. To review the status and progress of the implementation of PM POSHAN Scheme in the U.T. of A&N Islands.
 - ii. To consider the Annual Work Plan and Budget (AWP&B) 2022-23 proposal of U.T. of A&N Islands for PM POSHAN Scheme.
2. Secretary DoSEL, welcomed the members of PAB-PM POSHAN and made opening remarks. She mentioned that the Union Cabinet has approved the continuation of scheme for the five year period i.e. 2021-22 to 2025-26 and also renamed it as Pradhan Mantri Poshan Shakti Nirman (PM POSHAN). She also briefed about the new initiatives and emphasized that interventions of School Nutrition Gardens, Tithi Bhojan and Social Audit are focus areas and are positioned as special nutritional interventions. Highlighting the importance of monitoring, she further stated that it has been decided to involve students of eminent Universities / Institutions and also trainee teachers of District Institutes of Education Training and Regional Institutes of Education, for enhanced monitoring of implementation of scheme at field level. She reiterated that provision of hot cooked meals has significant effect on school participation in terms of enhanced enrollment as well as improved regular attendance of children in schools thereby substantially contributing towards reduction in drop out rates. She also emphasized upon the role of hot cooked meals in schools in removing social barriers as children from various social backgrounds learn to sit together and share a common meal. It was further highlighted that the gender gap in school participation tends to narrow, as the Scheme helps erode the barriers that prevent girls from going to school.
3. Subsequently JS (EE.I) appreciated the UT Government's good practices/initiatives viz. UT Administration is making additional contribution in Cooking Cost: Rs. 6 per child per day in both Primary & Upper Primary levels from UT's own resources. UT is providing boiled egg thrice a week & banana twice a week to children of Pre-Primary upto Upper-Primary as supplementary nutrition from UT's own resources. FIFO method is adopted for using ingredients for PM POSHAN. All 721 Cook -cum -Helpers have bank accounts and are paid honorarium through their accounts only. It is mandatory for all Cook-cum-Helpers to get themselves medically examined on

monthly basis etc. while also pointing out the issues; Social Audit under PM POSHAN has not been initiated yet in spite of repeated requests, there is a delay of 2 to 3 months in transfer of funds upto schools, the coverage of children under PM POSHAN was very low (66%) during 3rd Quarter (Strict Monitoring required). There is very low utilization (55%) of Food Grains upto December 2021. Only 53% children have been covered under Health Check up Programme. Testing of food samples has never been done in the UT. There is no dedicated Structure for smooth implementation of PM POSHAN in the UT. There is NIL data entry in AMS. Out of 251 sanctioned Kitchen-cum-Stores in the year 2013-14, UT has constructed 169 Kitchen-Cum-Stores (67%) upto 2021 and constructed 36 Kitchen-Cum-Stores from its own resources. 44 Kitchen-Cum-Stores are yet to be constructed.

Director to Govt. Department of Education, UT of A&N Islands, briefed the PAB about the performance of the Scheme in the UT during first three quarters of 2021-22 (01.04.2021 to 31.12.2021) and made the presentation on the proposals in Annual Work Plan and Budget (AWP&B) 2022-23.

4. Review of Performance during 2021-22 (01.04.2021 to 31.12.2021)

4.1 Coverage of children:

4.1.1 Average number of children availed PM POSHAN vis-à-vis enrolment:

The U.T. of A&N Islands has enrollment of 15583 children in Primary and 12339 children in Upper Primary. Out of these on an average basis Food Security Allowance has been provided to 13007 children (83.5%) in Primary and 9833 children (79.7%) in Upper Primary during the year 2021-22.

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

The PAB-PM POSHAN has approved 15690 children at Primary and 12328 children at Upper Primary level. UT of A&N Islands informed that due to closure of schools during COVID pandemic, all enrolled children were eligible for Food Security Allowance. Against these on an average basis 13007 children (82.9%) in Primary and 9833 children (79.8%) in Upper Primary have been covered under the scheme during the year 2021-22.

Comments of PAB: PAB expressed concern over non coverage of remaining 18.5% children and advised the UT to make efforts to cover all enrolled children under PM POSHAN scheme.

4.2 School Working Days:

PAB has approved 153 days in Primary and 153 in Upper Primary to be covered during first three quarters of 2021-22, the UT has reported coverage of 150 working days in Primary as well as Upper Primary.

Comments of PAB: PAB raised concern over the non coverage of 3 working days at both Primary as well as Upper Primary stage and advised the UT to make efforts to cover all days as approved under the scheme.

4.3 PFMS- Fund Flow Mechanism

A&N Islands being UT without legislature is exempted from implementation of New system of Financial Management in terms of sl. No. 24 of OM dated 23.03.2021. However, PM-POSHAN scheme is implemented through EAT module of PFMS and the status has been duly communicated to Ministry of Education.

Comments of PAB: PAB advised the UT to ensure that all requisite provisions of PFMS (EAT Model) are followed to enable timely release of central assistance and corresponding UT share for smooth implementation of scheme at all levels.

4.4 Management Monitoring and Evaluation (MME):

UT has reported utilization of 10% of the funds under MME head during the first three quarters of 2021-22. U.T. of A&N Islands mentioned that due to pandemic all schools were closed hence the school level expenditure could not be done. UT assured to utilize MME funds for conducting social audit, training of Cook-cum-Helpers, monitoring of the scheme etc.

PAB advised the UT of A &N Islands to have a dedicated Management Structure such as creation of Project Monitoring Unit (PMU) in the UT level and Island levels for proper supervision and monitoring under MME component. The UT level PMU may comprise of finance expert, nutrition and health expert, programme coordinators, data analyst and entry operators. The district PMU may comprise of programme coordinator, data analyst and data entry operator. These professionals could be hired on outsourcing basis. This will help in smooth coordination as well as better and effective implementation of the scheme in the UT of A& N Islands. The funds under MME component are available for the purpose which may be utilized.

Comments of PAB: PAB emphasizing on the importance of monitoring and inspection for better implementation of the scheme advised for setting up of (PMU) Project Monitoring Unit at the UT level and in the Islands under MME component. UT was also advised for documentation of innovative practices, display of entitlements of children in all schools etc

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

PAB-PM POSHAN has approved 721 Cook-cum-Helpers to be engaged during 2021-22. The UT has engaged all approved number of 721 Cook-cum-Helpers. In the UT, it is mandatory for all Cook-cum-Helpers to wear headgears, aprons, hand gloves and to get themselves medically examined on monthly basis.

Comments of PAB: PAB noted the information and appreciated the mandatory provision regarding CCH.

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

251 Kitchen-Cum-Stores were sanctioned in 2013-14. Out of 251, UT has constructed 169 Kitchen

-Cum-Stores till 2021. The remaining Kitchen -Cum-Stores are 251-169=82 Kitchen-Cum-Stores. Out of 82, UT has dropped 2 Kitchen-Cum-Stores from the proposal and submitted fresh Proposal for 80 Kitchen-Cum-Stores. Accordingly the Ministry of Education released Rs.3.62 crores for construction of the balance of 80 Kitchen cum Stores during 2019-20. However, the UT didn't withdraw this amount during 2019-20 and as such, the same got lapsed. During 2020-21 and 2021-22, the UT Administration requested the Ministry for release of Rs.3.62 crores afresh or revalidation of the funds for construction of 80 Kitchen cum Stores.

However as per the AWP&B 2022-23, in AT-11, UT has shown, that in the mean time 36 Kitchen-Cum-Stores have been constructed by the UT from their own resources through convergence .

The (sanctioned) 80-36(Constructed through convergence) =44 Kitchen-Cum-Stores. The UT is advised to submit fresh proposal for 44 Kitchen-Cum-Stores. This Ministry has issued letter dated 27th Jan 2022 requesting the UT to submit the proposal for release of funds for remaining Kitchen -Cum-Stores in the PAB 2022-23 along with Undertaking of Utilization of funds within 12 months . UT has neither submitted the proposal nor the undertaking and the same is awaited from UT side.

The UT of A&N Islands informed that there is a typing error in the AT-11 Sheet of AWP&B 2022-23, the total Kitchen-Cum-Stores made through convergence is only 4 and not 36. The UT requested the Ministry to give them time so that figures can be reconciled at their end and correct number of Kitchen-Cum-Stores constructed through convergence may be intimated to the Ministry.

PAB raised serious concern over non withdrawal of GOI funds by the UT on time and suggested the UT, to reconcile the figures and submit the fresh proposal for construction of Kitchen-cum-Stores or surrender the funds along with interest.

Comments of PAB: PAB advised the UT of A&N Islands to reconcile the requirement of the total units to be constructed and submit the fresh proposal to the Ministry. PAB further advised the UT to utilize the funds within time as soon as released for construction of Kitchen-cum-Stores and funds should not lapse.

4.7 Kitchen Devices (new as well as replacement):

Central assistance of Rs. 11.30 lakhs has been released towards procurement of 226 units of Kitchen Devices during 2006-07 to 2019-20. The UT of A& N Islands has reported that all 226 units of Kitchen Devices have been procured. Central assistance of Rs. 6.35 lakhs has been released towards replacement of 127 units of Kitchen Devices during 2006-07 to 2021-22. The UT of A& N Islands has reported that all 127 units of Kitchen Devices have been procured.

Comments of PAB: PAB appreciated the efforts of the UT.

4.8 School Nutrition (Kitchen) Gardens:

The UT of A&N Islands informed that in all 333 schools, School Nutrition (Kitchen) Gardens have

been developed under the programme called as “Mera School Meri Bagiya” (मेरा स्कूल मेरी बगिया) with an objective to ensure access to healthy diet with adequate macro and micronutrients at door-steps. The products of the School Nutrition (Kitchen) Gardens are being utilized for preparing meals for the students. Kitchen Gardens are developed and maintained through funds available under Eco Club intervention of Samagra Shiksha.

Comments of PAB: PAB appreciated the efforts of developing very beautiful Kitchen Gardens in the UT and advised the UT to share the HD photos so that it may be documented and further advised the UT to make concerted efforts for maintenance of School Nutrition Gardens in all schools in convergence with local Krishi Vigyan Kendras, Agriculture Dept and Horticulture Dept etc. The funds available under MNREGA of Department of Rural Development for certain eligible components may also be utilized in convergence with them.

4.9 Community Participation - Tithi Bhojan or similar practices

UT has adopted the concept of Tithi bhojan. Participation of community members in Tithi Bhojan improves the rapport between school and community. However, apart from meals, UT Administration is providing Supplementary Nutrition from its own resources.

Comments of PAB: PAB advised the UT to make more efforts to involve community in this unique scheme under PM POSHAN. It is also requested to record details both in kind as well as in value of the contributions. Secretary (SE&L) emphasized the importance of community participation in better implementation of the scheme. She further added that Tithi Bhojan is a wonderful way to transform the community involvement and community ownership of scheme into ‘JAN ANDOLAN’. She advised the State to make efforts to conduct such activities at least once in a month in each school.

4.10 Additional Food Items:

UT of A&N Islands informed that apart from regular meals under PM POSHAN scheme, additional food items are being provided in the form of One Boiled egg per day per child thrice in a week @ Rs. 8 (approx.) per day per child and Banana 150gms per day per child twice in a week. @ Rs. 8.00 (approx.) per day per child from UT’s own budget.

Comments of PAB: PAB appreciated the efforts of the UT.

4.11 Testing of meals :

UT of A&N Islands informed that there is no accredited lab for testing of Food samples in the UT, due to which the testing of Food samples could not be done. However directions have being issued from time to time to all concerned to ensure that quality food is being served to the students.

Inspections of school kitchens are being conducted by higher officials of Education Department periodically. UT assured to get the food samples tested from Government Hospital in A&N Islands or may explore the facility available at Chennai during 2022-23.

Comments of PAB: PAB advised the U.T. of A&N Islands to get Food samples tested in the facilities available in the adjoining States or any other suitable facility available in the UT.

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

The UT of A&N Islands does not have any designated Food Craft Institutes (FCI) for imparting training to Cook – cum - Helpers. However, efforts will be taken to train the Cook - Cum - Helpers through Hotel Management Division of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Institute of Technology, Port Blair during the next financial year.

Comments of PAB: PAB advised the UT to organize training programmes for all the Cook-cum-Helpers.

4.13 Data Entry on PM POSHAN-MIS Web Portal:

PM POSHAN -MIS portal captures information on critical indicators of PM Poshan Scheme. 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 PM POSHAN was served; number of meals served, honorarium paid to Cook-cum-Helpers engaged, number of children received IFA tablets, number of children screened under Rashtritya Bal Swasthya Karyakram (RBSK) etc. The UT has completed Annual data entry for 100% schools and Monthly data entry for 100% in the MIS portal.

Comments of PAB: PAB-PM POSHAN appreciated the efforts of U.T. of A&N Islands for completing all data entries Annual as well as Monthly in the Web Portal upto December 2021 and advised the UT to maintain the consistency and accuracy of the data.

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

During 2021-22 entries under AMS could not be made because schools remained closed due to Covid pandemic and dry ration was distributed. Schools were opened in the month of September 2021 only.

Comments of PAB: PAB noted the reasons and advised the UT to ensure 100% submission of information on all working days under AMS when schools are opened.

4.15 Centralized Kitchens:

There is no Centralized Kitchen available in the U.T. of A&N Islands.

Comments of PAB: PAB noted the information.

4.16 Social Audit:

In the U.T. of A&N Islands, Social Audit has never been conducted so far inspite of repeated requests on all forums; neither the UT has submitted the Annual Action Plan for conducting Social Audit for FY 2022-23. It was informed that during 2021-22, all schools were closed due to Covid 19 pandemic.

JS (EE.I) raised concern over non conduct of social audit in the UT and informed that as per the directions from the Ministry of Expenditure it is mandatory to conduct Social Audit of PM POSHAN scheme in all schools on regular basis and to take corrective measures in case of deficiencies pointed out. JS (EE.I) advised A&N Islands to utilize the resources of the RD department of the UT and conduct Social Audit of the PM POSHAN scheme at the earliest and inform the Ministry.

Comments of PAB:

PAB advised UT of A&N Islands to conduct Social Audit of the PM POSHAN Scheme at the earliest as now all schools are open and share the report with the Ministry. As per PM POSHAN guidelines Social Audit is to be conducted in all the schools in a phased manner by utilizing MME funds.

4.17 Provision of PM Poshan Scheme or Food Security Allowance during closure of schools due to Covid-19

In view of pandemic Covid-19, Food Security Allowance has been provided to all the students covered under scheme during the session 2021-22. Prescribed quantity of raw rice was given to all the students on monthly basis and cooking cost was transferred into the bank accounts of the students i.e. Raw rice as per norms i.e. @100 grams per child / day for Primary students and @150 grms. per child / day for Upper Primary students and cooking cost @Rs. 4.97/- per child/day for Primary and @Rs.7.45/- per child / day for Upper Primary students. In addition to this Rs. 6/- per child per day under UT contribution is also transferred directly into the bank accounts of Primary and Upper Primary students.

Comments of PAB: PAB informed that Govt. of India has issued detailed guidelines for reopening of schools and resumption of hot cooked meals in schools and further advised the UT to follow these guidelines for resumption of hot cooked meals in schools. It was further advised that the UT needs to take all precautionary measures and special care while maintaining social distancing and covid appropriate behavior as advised by the respective Disaster Management Authorities.

5. Component wise Proposals and PAB-PM POSHAN Approvals

5.1 Coverage of children

UT of A&N Islands has proposed to cover 3075 children in Bal Vatika, 15583 children in

Primary classes and 12339 children in Upper Primary classes during 2022-23 i.e Full Enrollment.

Approval of PAB: After detailed discussions, PAB-PM POSHAN approved to cover 3075 children in Bal Vatika, 13838 children in Primary classes and 11643 children in Upper Primary classes on an average basis during 2022-23.

5.2 Coverage of Working Days

UT of A&N Islands has proposed to serve PM POSHAN for 222 days in Bal Vatika, 222 days in Primary and 222 days in Upper Primary schools during 2022-23.

Approval of PAB: Following the discussions, PAB-PM POSHAN approved the proposal of the UT to serve PM POSHAN for 222 days in Bal Vatika, 222 days in Primary and 222 days in Upper Primary schools during 2022-23.

5.3 Cook-cum-Helpers (CCH)

U.T. of A&N Islands has proposed to engage 298 Cook-cum-Helpers in Primary and 423 in Upper Primary, total 721 Cook-cum-Helpers under PM POSHAN Scheme during 2022-23.

Approval of PAB: Following the discussions, PAB-PM POSHAN approved the proposal of the UT to engage 298 Cook-cum-Helpers in Primary and 423 Cook-cum-Helpers in Upper Primary under PM POSHAN Scheme during 2022-23.

5.4 Drought

Drought has not been notified in the U.T. of A&N Islands.

Approval of PAB: Not Applicable

5.5 Construction and repair of Kitchen-cum-Stores

The UT of A&N Islands informed that there is a typing error in the AT-11 Sheet of AWP&B 2022-23, the total Kitchen-cum-Stores made through convergence is only 4 and not 36. The UT requested the Ministry to give them time so that figures can be reconciled at their end and correct number of Kitchen-cum-Stores constructed through convergence may be intimated to the Ministry. PAB raised serious concern over non withdrawal of GOI funds by the UT on time and suggested the UT to reconcile the figures and submit the fresh proposal for construction of Kitchen-cum-Stores.

Approval of PAB: Following the discussions, PAB approved the request of the UT and advised the UT of A&N Islands to reconcile the correct requirement of the total units to be constructed and submit the fresh proposal to the Ministry. PAB further advised the UT to utilize the funds within time as soon as released for construction of Kitchen-cum-Stores and funds should not lapse.

5.6 Kitchen Devices

U.T. of A&N Islands has not submitted any proposal.

Approval of PAB: Not Applicable

5.7 Conducting of Social Audit of PM POSHAN Scheme.

U.T. of A&N Islands has proposed to conduct Social Audit in convergence with Department of Rural Development or any other suitable agency during 2022-23 .

Approval of PAB: Following the discussions, PAB advised UT of A&N Islands to conduct Social Audit of the PM POSHAN scheme and share the report with the Ministry. As per PM POSHAN guidelines, Social Audit is to be conducted in all the schools in a phased manner by utilizing MME funds.

5.8 Flexibility for new interventions

PAB observed that UT has not submitted any proposal under flexibility for Innovative interventions. For School Nutrition Gardens and Supplementary Nutrition interventions, UT may convergence with respective line departments.

Approval of PAB: PAB appreciated the development of School Nutrition Gardens through convergence and also appreciated the Supplementary Nutrition from UT's own resources.

5.9 Cooking Competitions

UT has proposed to organize cooking competitions at various levels i.e. Block level, District level on different parameters of skill enhancement and enrichment of the Menu.

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

5.10 Training of Cook-cum-Helpers

UT has proposed to train all the engaged Cook-cum-Helpers during 2022-23.

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

6. Summary of PAB-PM POSHAN approvals (Physical) for the year 2022-23

6.1. Recurring and Non-Recurring (Physical)

S. No.	Component	PAB-PM POSHAN Approvals (Physical) for 2022-23
1	Schools	
1.1	Primary	183
1.2	Upper Primary	150
2	Children	

2.1	Bal Vatika	3075
2.2	Primary	13838
2.3	Upper Primary	11643
3	Working Days	
3.1	Bal Vatika	222
3.2	Primary	222
3.3	Upper Primary	222
4	Cook-cum-Helpers	
4.1	Primary	298
4.2	Upper Primary	423
5	Serving of PM POSHAN in Drought affected areas during summer vacations	
5.1	Children (Pry)	0
5.2	Children (U Pry)	0
5.3	Working days	0
5.4	Cook-cum-Helpers	0
6	Non Recurring	
6.1	Kitchen-cum-Stores	0
6.2	Repair of Kitchen-cum-Stores	0
6.3	Kitchen Devices	0
6.4	Kitchen Devices (Replacement)	0

6.2 Flexibility for new interventions (Physical)

S. No.	Component	PAB Approvals (Physical) for 2022-23
1	Flexibility for new interventions	
1.1	School Nutrition (Kitchen) Gardens (Setting up in all schools)	In convergence with line departments in UT
1.2	Supplementary Nutrition over and above existing provisions (including additional items already being provided by State)	In convergence with line departments in UT

7. Summary of PAB-PM POSHAN approvals (Financial) for the year 2022-23

7.1 Recurring and Non-Recurring (Financial)

(Rs in lakhs)				
S. No.	Particulars	100% Central Assistance	Minimum Mandatory UT Share	Total (Central + UT Share)
1	Recurring			
1.1	Serving of PM POSHAN during regular school working days	Rs. 492.84	0	Rs. 492.84
1.2	Serving of PM POSHAN in Drought affected areas during summer vacations	0	0	0
Total Recurring		Rs. 492.84	0	Rs. 492.84
2	Non Recurring			
2.1	Construction of Kitchen-cum-Store	0	0	0
2.2	Repair of Kitchen-cum-Stores	0	0	0
2.3	Procurement of Kitchen Devices (new)	0	0	0
2.4	Procurement of Kitchen Devices (Replacement)	0	0	0
Total Non-Recurring		0	0	0
Total (Recurring + Non Recurring)		Rs. 492.84	0	Rs. 492.84

7.2 Flexibility for new interventions

S. No.	Particulars	Central Assistance	Minimum Mandatory UT Share	Total (Central + UT Share)
1	Flexibility for new interventions			
1.1	School Nutrition (Kitchen) Gardens	In convergence with other line departments in the UT		
1.2	Provision of supplementary nutrition items to eligible children under PM POSHAN Scheme.	In convergence with other line departments in the UT		

8. The quantification of central assistance of **Rs. 492.84 lakhs & 763.18 MTs** foodgrains has been done as per existing norms on the basis of PAB-PM POSHAN approvals for the year 2022-23. The detailed component- wise quantification for 2022-23 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 2022-23 under the Scheme. The National Food Security Act, 2013, Rules, Guidelines and Instructions issued under the PM POSHAN Scheme 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 meals or provided with Food Security Allowance, as applicable, on all school days.

During the year, if it is noticed by the UT Government that more funds are needed to implement the 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 during the year with justification seeking additional Central Assistance and food grains. Similarly, if the Central Government observes less coverage than the approvals, the actual releases may be restricted to actual coverage.

10. The UT is advised to disseminate the approvals of the resources to all the field functionaries in the UT and districts so as to enable all the eligible institutions to ensure that every child attending an eligible school must be served hot cooked Meals or provided with Food Security Allowance on all school days irrespective of the approvals of PAB-PM POSHAN.

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

Appendix-1

UT: A & N ISLANDS

QUANTIFICATION OF CENTRAL ASSISTANCE FOR 2022 -23

A. Food grains

Sl. No.	Stage	No. of Children	Working days	Quantity (in MTs)		
				Rice	Wheat	Total
1	Bal Vatika & Primary (@ 100 gms per child per school day)	16913	222	375.47	0	375.47
2	U. Primary (@150 gms per child per school day)	11643	222	387.71	0	387.71
3	NCLP (@150 gms per child per school day)	0	0	0	0	0
4	Drought					
4.1	Primary	0	0	0	0	0
4.2	Upper Primary	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL		28556		763.18		763.18

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 lakhs)
1	2	3
Primary		
1	Cost of Food grains @ Rs. 3000 per MT for rice	11.26
2	Unit Cooking Cost- Rs. 4.97/- per child per day	
2.1	Central Share @ Rs. 4.97/-per child per day	186.61

2.2	Minimum Mandatory UT Share	0
3	Transportation Cost @ Rs. 750/- Per MT food grains	2.82
4	Honorarium for cook cum Helper	
4.1	Central Share - @ Rs 1000/- for 10 months)	29.80
4.2	UT Share	0
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	6.22
Total Central Share for Primary		236.71
Upper Primary		
6	Cost of Food grains @ Rs. 3000 per MT for rice	11.63
7	Unit Cooking Cost- Rs. 7.45/- per child per day	
7.1	Central share @ Rs. 7.45/- per child per day	192.56
7.2	Minimum Mandatory UT Share	0
8	Transportation cost @ Rs. 750/- Per MT food grains	2.91
9	Honorarium for cook cum Helper	
9.1	Central Share - @ Rs 1000/- for 10 months)	42.30
9.2	UT Share	0
10	Management Monitoring and Evaluation (MME) @ 2.7% of the 1) Cost of food grains 2) Cooking cost 3) Cost of transportation and 4) Honorarium to cook – cum-helpers	6.73
Total Central Share for Upper Primary		256.13
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11	Cost of Food grains @ Rs. 3000 per MT for rice and Rs 2000 per MT for wheat	
12	Unit Cooking Cost- Rs per child per day	
12.1	Central share @ Rsper child per day	
12.2	Minimum Mandatory UT Share @Rs per child per day	
12.3	Transportation cost @ Rs Per MT food grains	
12.4	Management Monitoring and Evaluation (MME) @2.7% of the 1) Cost of food grains 2) Cooking cost and 3) Cost of transportation	
Total Central Share for NCLP		
Total of Central Share (Primary + Upper Primary + NCLP)		492.84

C. Drought : NOT APPLICABLE

Sl. No.	Component/norm	Amount admissible
		(Rs. in lakhs)
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 UT Share @ Rsper 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	UT 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 @ Rsper child per day	
7.2	Minimum Mandatory UT 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	UT Share - @ Rs..... for ... months)	
10	Management Monitoring and Evaluation (MME) @ 2.7% of the 1) Cost of food grains 2) Cooking cost 3) Cost of transportation and 4) 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 lakhs)
1	Kitchen-cum-store	0.00
2	Repair of kitchen-cum-store (NIL)	0.00
3	Kitchen Devices (New)	0.00
3.1	Central Share	0.00
3.2	UT Share	0.00
4	Kitchen Devices (Replacement-NIL)	
4.1	Central Share	0.00
4.2	UT Share (NIL)	0.00
Total Central Share (Non-recurring)		0.00

E. Total Requirement of Funds for 2022-23 (Rs. in lakhs)

Component		100% Centre Share	Minimum Mandatory UT Share
Recurring	Normal	492.84	0
	Drought	0	0
Non- recurring		0	0
Total		492.84	0
For summer vacations as one time measure		0	0
Grand Total		Rs. 492.84	0

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