

**Brief Note on PM (POSHAN)
(UT of Puducherry)
(As on 12.11.2021)**

- 1. Approved outlay for 2021-22** is Rs. 585.29 Lakh (Central Share including for summer vacations as one time measure due to Covid -19 pandemic). The Central Govt. has already released Ad-hoc Recurring Central Assistance of Rs. 117.74 lakhs on 27-05-2021.
- 2. Releases and expenditure under PM (POSHAN)-UT of Puducherry.**

(Rs. In lakhs)

Year	Funds Allocated	Expenditure/Released	% Expenditure
2015-16	520.77	673.73	129%
2016-17	459.94	374.08	81%
2017-18	402.48	384.13	95%
2018-19	519.93	515.51	99%
2019-20	422.92	429.70	101%
2020-21	564.05	564.05	100%
2021-22	585.29	117.74 (Adhoc)	20%

3. Coverage of Children against Enrolment – Year wise

Year Wise	Enrolment			Coverage			% Coverage		
	Pry	Upry	Total	Pry	Upry	Total	Pry	Upry	Total
2015-16	35952	30694	66646	26592	21179	47771	74	69	72
2016-17	32068	25440	57508	23093	18064	41157	72	71	72
2017-18	31657	25242	56899	26231	19235	45466	83	76	80
2018-19	31621	24895	56516	25875	18715	44560	82	75	79
2019-20	31621	24895	56516	25597	18650	44247	81	75	78
2020-21	29565	21273	50838	29565	21273	50838	100	100	100

4. Challenges in implementation of PM (POSHAN) in UT of Puducherry

- 1) The UT Puducherry has submitted the proposal for release of balance of 1st Instalment but IFD has made observations on the proposal and therefore information is being sought from the UT Govt and the same is awaited.
- 2) No children were screened under Health check up programme and only 31% children were distributed IFA tablets, 44% children were distributed deworming Tablets during 2020-21.
- 3) The construction of 4 Kitchen –Cum-Stores have not started yet since 2019-20 though funds were released in 2019-20.
- 4) Social Audit under PM (POSHAN) is yet to be initiated..

5. Best Practices followed in the UT of Puducherry for effective implementation of the scheme:-

- 1) UT of Puducherry provides meals under PM (POSHAN) to children of Pre-Primary & Class IXth to XIIth from UT's own resources.
- 2) Breakfast Scheme is being implemented in Puducherry under which 100ml. Hot-milk is being provided to the students studying from Pre-primary to XII Std. in Government / Govt. Aided Private Schools.
- 3) Egg provided to the children twice a week.
- 4) Additional Contribution in cooking cost viz; Rs. 4.42 for primary & Rs. 4.69 for upper primary is being provided over and above mandatory UT share.
- 5) Payment of Honorarium to Cook-cum-helpers is being made ranging from Rs. 6458/- to Rs

21000/- per month depending on their seniority over and above Central assistance.
