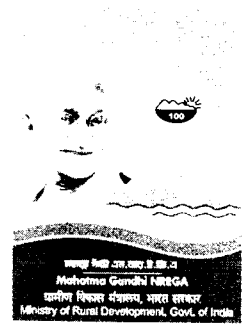


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OFFICE OF THE
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&
DISTRICT MAGISTRATE,
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c/e
Memo No. 163(13) / MGNREGS

Date: - 10/2/11

To

The PO & BDO,
Sadar/ Rajganj/ Dhupguri/ Maynaguri/ Mal/ Matiali/ Nagrakata/ Falakata/
Madarihat- Birpara/ Kalchini/Alipurduar-I/Alipurduar-II/ Kumargram
Block.

**Sub:Implementation of mid-day-meal scheme in the State of West Bengal –
Evaluation study by Programme Evaluation Organization (P.E.O) of the
Planning Commission(May-2010).**

Forwarding herewith a copy of memo no. 129/SE/CMDMP/Misc/04-2010 dt 06/12/2010 received from Mr.Vikram Sen, Secretary, School Education Deptt, Kolkata-91 regarding implementation of Cooked –Mid-Day meal programme and incorporation of MGNREGS for improvement of quality of mid-day-meal.

You are requested to kindly look into the matter and take necessary action.

District Nodal Officer
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Jalpaiguri

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27/01/2011

Memo. No. 09(20)/Food

Dated. 14/01/2011

To

- 1) The Block Development Officer Jalpaiguri(S) / Maynaguri / Dhupguri/ Rajganj /Mal / Matiali /Nagrakata /Falakata/Kalchini /Madarihat-Birpara /Alipurduar -- I/Alipurduar -- II/ Kumargram..
- 2) The Chairman, Jalpaiguri /Dhupguri / Mal /Alipurduar Municipality.
- 3) The Chief Medical Officer of Health, Jalpaiguri.
- 4) The Officer in-Charge, T.L.C, Jalpaiguri Collectorate.
- 5) The D.H.O, N.R.E.G.P, Jalpaiguri.

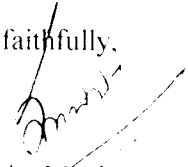
Sir,

Enclosed please find herewith a copy of Memo No. 129/SE/CMDMP/Mise/ 04-2010 dt 06/12/2010 received from Mr. Vikram Sen, Secretary, School Education Deptt, Kolkata -91 regarding implementation of Cooked-Mid-Day-Meal Programme.

You are requested to look into the matter and take necessary action as marked.

Encl: As stated

Yours faithfully,


For District Magistrate
Jalpaiguri.



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Memo No :- 129/SE/(CMDMP)/MISC/04-2010

Dated: 25-11-2010

From :- Vikram Sen
Secretary,
School Education Department.

To :- (1-19) DISTRICT MAGISTRATE, ^{Saelpaiguri} All
(20) Principal Secretary DGHC,
(21) Commissioner Calcutta Municipal Corporation,
(22) SDO, Silliguri
(23) Chairman, KPSC.

Sub:- Implementation of Mid-Day-Meal Scheme in the State of West Bengal- Evaluation study by Programme Evaluation Organization (P.E.O) of the Planning Commission (May-2010)

Sirl Madam

The study relates to 2006 financial year. However, the notable observation of the above noted study team on CMDM Scheme in West Bengal is as follows:-

“In West Bengal, 45.1% of children were spending 8.51 hours per week in washing utensils”.

The observation is interesting as well as worth thinking. It is true that necessary infrastructural facilities in all schools, where Mid-Day-Meal Schemes is running is not adequate. It is our goal to improve adequate infrastructural facilities, as is necessary, for running MDM Scheme smoothly and successfully in all MDM running schools. With this aim in mind we must complete the construction of hygienic Kitchen-Cum-Stores and as much water connections as possible in the schools as early as possible. But in the water source creation issue, there is a problem as the MDM fund does not permit creation of the water facilities. Hence, we have to enhance this water-connection facility by dovetailing other on-going schemes of Govt., Local body and PRI institutions, in close association with them. Your role in this respect as the Chief Coordinator of the District is very vital. Please take extra initiative in this respect.

It is needless to mention that if there are several water connections for washing hands, face and utensils in every school it would automatically reduce the time in this respect. And only in that case the MDM taking as well as washing utensils would be completed within the Tiffin Hours.

Low percentage of literacy among the parents:-

Low percentage of literacy among the parents of MDM takers would be reduced with the progress of literacy among the masses. On the other hand the observation of Low involvement of Gram Panchayat Functionaries in the MDM activities is not an issue in West Bengal. The Panchayat Functionaries are already actively involved in MDM activities in our State.

Linkage with the Health Deptt:-

Another observation is that linkage with the Health Deptt. Officials with MDM Scheme is not worth mentioning. In West Bengal about 35% MDM- taker children are getting micronutrients and Health Check up facilities by the Health Deptt. Officials. It should be our endeavor to see that this linkage with Health Deptt. is improved as much possible.

Functioning of Steering-Cum-Monitoring committee:-

The next observation is that Steering-Cum-Monitoring committees at all level, though formed are not holding regular meetings to co-ordinate and monitor the Programmes at the Lower level. Please look into it and see that such meetings are regularly held and review the MDM Activities. Also give us feedback regularly on this aspect.

Poor condition of kitchen-sheds:-

Poor condition of kitchen-sheds is also another observation. Please ensure that wherever necessary hygienic Pucca Kitchen-Cum-Store sheds are constructed as early as possible. You will admit that this is the vital aspect of running safe MDM Scheme in the Schools.

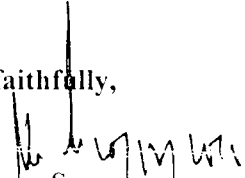
Again, non-observance of guidelines of running MDM Scheme specially the approved Cooking Cost and Honorarium to Cook-cum-Helpers are also not being followed everywhere even after the lapse of so many years since the inception of CMDM Scheme in our State. Lots of complains are still coming on this directions. Please ensure that prescribed scale and rates are followed strictly everywhere by enhancing awareness among the implementing agencies and the masses.

Diversified menu for MDM :-

Diversified menu for MDM and provision of 3/ 4 days of egg or fish is necessary for quality improvement of Mid-Day-Meal. Recently, we have suggested you all, vide this letter No:-73/20-SE(CMDMP)/ES/PLNG/MDM/31-10. dated 11-10-2010, to utilize the ponds/tanks, wherever available inside School boundaries, to bring under fishery Demonstration Centre (DC) scheme and utilize the same both for Pisciculture and kitchen gardening after renovating the same under NREGP scheme, so that the part yield of the same can be utilized for improvement of quality of Mid-Day-Meal, in consultation with the School Managing Committee.

Necessary action for implementation of the above points be taken from your end immediately.

Yours faithfully,


Vikram Sen
Secretary,
School Education Department