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From

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To

All Collectors

Sub: Meeting of District Level Monitoring and Review Committee, for smooth implementation of revised menu under SNP.

Madam/Sir,

With reference to the matter in subject, I am directed to say that, Govt. vide letter No10855/WCD dated 28.06.2018 communicated the revised menu under SNP for implementation. However, after about a month of its implementation in the field, a few practical issues are reported to be faced with respect to cost.

The matter has been discussed with Collectors during VC on 09.08.2018, DSWOs on 24.08.2018 and feedback received from some Collectors, DSWOs, officials of the Department visiting field and Associations of AWWs are as enumerated below,

1. SHGs are having some difficulty in preparation of besan and Atta ladoos such as: moisture/fungus in ladoos, preparing a large number of ladoos in a given span of time is a challenge, some SHG members get injured during preparation and Rs 1.24/- is inadequate for atta-besan ladoos.

2. Revised cost norm of THR is not sufficient and packing of 80gms of oil in dry ration is difficult.

3. Cost of HCM with prescribed norms and quantity exceeds rate fixed per day i.e., Rs 8.00/-; cost of fuel i.e., Rs 0.50/- is not adequate and price of eggs sometimes go upto Rs 6.00/- and beyond.

Now therefore, after due consideration, Govt. is pleased to modify the instructions for implementation of SNP to the extent that,

1. Collectors are to chair District Level Monitoring and Review Committee (DLMRC) on ICDS every month and take stock of price of commodities at the local level and decide on flexibility in menu.

2. One Market Intelligence Officer of FS&CW Department in the district may apprise the committee on the prices of commodities.

3. ADMO, PH alongwith DSWO may recommend nutritional standards and monitoring quality of food stuff.

4. In case of increase in price of any commodity/food stuff, for example egg, the committee may decide to replace one of the egg based meals with a meal of soya chunk and potato curry without compromising on calorie/ protein content recommended in Recommended Dietary Allowance (RDA).

5. In case of districts with extra budgetary resources like DMF; it is suggested that such resources available with the district may be utilized to overcome price escalation.

6. Since price of commodities/food stuff is variable across the state and seasons, it has to be ensured that amount saved during favourable seasons should be cushioned during spells where price rise. Alternatively, either locally available cheaper yet nutritious commodities/ food stuffs may be used to neutralize price escalation. Further, amount saved during favourable seasons may be used for additional supplementation.

7. In case of any practical difficulties in preparation of ladoos, the following practices may be put in place,

i. In case of ladoos not getting the desired shape, the dough/mixture may be flattened and chikis of multiple shape (round/ triangular/ square/ pentagonal etc.) may be prepared, by use of mould instead of by hand for better hygiene, to generate interest in consumption.

ii. Oil should be used while preparing the ladoos. In no case, water shall be used.

iii. For THR, since it is difficult to pack and transport 80 gms of oil pouches, suji may be fried lightly with oil, cook and then packed before dispatching.

- iv. In case of rise in price of ingredients such as ragi/ besan/ atta/ jaggery etc., an alternative and locally accepted recipe may be introduced. Such alteration however should not compromise with calorie/protein requirement.
- v. Views of ADMO, PH may be taken to ensure that nutritional standards are maintained and in no case ladoos become inedible/fungus infected.

The above instructions may be circulated amongst the ICDS field functionaries, SHG federations and PRI members for better compliance/awareness.

Only, interested SHGs may be assigned the task of preparation of THR and ladoos.

Yours faithfully,

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Director, ICDS & SW

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Copy forwarded to all DSWOs for information and necessary action.

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Joint Secretary to Govt
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