

Government of Odisha

Department of Women & Child Development

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From

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Additional Secretary to Govt.

To

Collectors

Balangir, Dhenkanal, Gajapati, Kalahandi, Kandhamal, Koraput, Nuapada
Malkangiri, Nabarangpur, Rayagada

Sub:- Upgradation of AWCs to Saksham Anganwadis during 2022-23

Madam /Sir,

With reference to the subject cited above, I am directed to enclose herewith the Letter dated 04.03.2022 of MWCD and say that Govt has decided to upgrade 2 lakh AWCs @ 40,000 per year over 5 years to Saksham Anganwadis for improved nutrition delivery, better infrastructure, child-friendly learning equipment & other services in aspirational districts. 6000 AWCs are targeted to be upgraded to Saksham Anganwadis in 2022 in 10 aspirational districts of Odisha (districtwise list enclosed), which must fulfil the following criteria.

- i. AWC must be in Govt. owned building
- ii. AWC having drinking water and sanitation facilities
- iii. AWC having provision/ space for installation of Rain Water Harvesting system
- iv. AWC having open space around for Poshan Vatika
- v. Most importantly, AWC at a place where safety point must be kept in view for the installed infrastructure.

While selecting AWCs for Saksham, the following should be kept in mind

- i. Construction & Strengthening of any AWCs taken up with any CSR funding to be excluded.

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- ii. Co located AWCs within and outside campus of the school may be excluded
- iii. AWCs securing more than 60% in Vibrant AWC selection but not co-located should be given preference
- iv. Preference to be given to AWCs having 20-30 pre school children
- v. All GPs should be equally covered
- vi. Equal preferences may be given to both rural and urban areas

You are therefore requested to identify and select the AWCs to be upgraded as Saksham Anganwadis, after ensuring the above mentioned points and furnish a status report to the department by 31.03.2022 positively, as per the proforma enclosed (also available in Google spread sheet form).

Yours faithfully,
16/3/22
Additional Secretary to Govt.

Memo No. 4952 /WCD, Dt. 16-03-2022

Copy alongwith copy of its enclosure forwarded to DSWOs & all CDPOs of Balangir, Dhenkanal, Gajapati, Kalahandi, Kandhamal, Koraput, Malkangiri, Nabarangpur, Nuapada, Rayagada for information and necessary action.

16/3/22
Additional Secretary to Govt.

Memo No. 4953 /WCD, Dt. 16-03-2022

Copy alongwith copy of its enclosure forwarded to AD, MIS/ Ms. Madhumita Das, Consultant, UNICEF for information and necessary action. You are requested to co-ordinate this matter with the Districts & verify the data furnished by the districts.

16/3/22
Additional Secretary to Govt.

Annexure-1

Sl No	Name of the state	Name of the districts	No of Saksham AWCs allocated for 22-23
1	Odisha	BALANGIR	700
2		DHENKANAL	700
3		GAJAPATI	500
4		KALAHANDI	600
5		KANDHAMAL	550
6		KORAPUT	1000
7		MALKANGIRI	400
8		NABARANGPUR	650
9		NUAPADA	400
10		RAYAGADA	500
Total			6000

No. 11/3/2021-CD-I (Part-2)
Government of India
Ministry of Women and Child Development

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi- 110001

Dated: 4th March, 2022

To: Principal Secretaries dealing with Anganwadi Services in all States/ UTs (with Aspirational Districts)

Subject: Upgradation of Anganwadi Centres to Saksham Anganwadis during 2022-23 - reg.

Sir/Madam,

This is regarding upgradation of Anganwadi Centres to Saksham Anganwadis in all States/ UTs. Approval has been accorded by the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs for upgradation of 2 lakh Anganwadi Centres @ 40,000 per year during Financial Year 2021-22 to 2025-26.

2. Under "Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0", 2 lakh selected AWCs @ 40,000 AWCs per year would be strengthened, upgraded and rejuvenated for improved nutrition delivery including Poshan Vatikas for stimulating the creative, social, emotional, cognitive and intellectual development of children under 6 years of age in convergence with education development programmes; providing/ adding more services with better infrastructure including internet/WIFI connectivity, LED screens, water purifier/installation of RO Machine; material for Early Childhood Care and Education including smart learning aids, audio-visual aids and child-friendly learning equipment etc.

3. Saksham Anganwadis will be upgraded over 5 years @ 40,000 AWC per year for 2,00,000 Govt. owned AWCs as per the details given below:

- Rs.75,000/- per AWCs for 30,000 AWCs every year
- Rs.1.00 lakh per AWC for 10,000 AWCs, which would be provided LED Screen

4. Improvement in infrastructure and in quality of services will be undertaken inter alia by:

- a. Strengthening and up-grading existing AWC buildings that are Govt owned. The AWC building will be equipped with audio-visual aids and child-friendly learning equipment to facilitate joyful learning;
- b. Construction of boundary wall;
- c. Development of a modern kitchen, adequate and proper cooking and serving utensils, etc.;
- d. Ensuring clean storage facility for nutrition materials;
- e. Installation of Rain Water Harvesting System in regions which receive heavy rainfall;
- f. Procurement of Shishu table, Floor mat/Dari, Weighing scale, RO Machine for water purifier, ECCE Books and materials;
- g. Installation of black board, practice board for children, information board;

- h. Undertaking Wall painting (cleaning, sanding, repairing)
- i. Undertaking minor civil and repair work (ramp, roof repair in case of seepage,)
- j. Development of a nutri-garden (Poshan Vatika). A typical Poshan Vatika structure may have a plot size of 1000 sq ft with 8 beds of 10x10 sq ft. The following plants/herbs/trees can be cultivated:

- Green vegetables (8 beds): spinach (palak), Methi, Amaranthus (Choulai), Asparagus (shatawari), Bacopamonnieri (Brahmi), Boerhavia (Punarnava), Chenopodium (Bathua), Dioscorea (Ratalu)

- Medicinal Plants/Fruit trees (5-6 trees): Moringa (sahajan), Papita, Karipatta, Lemon (Nimbu), Amla, Punica (Anar) etc.

- Boundary crops: Satwari, Lemon Grass, Giloy etc.

5. In order to motivate the functionaries and to encourage beneficiaries to avail the Services provided by Govt. of India, it has been decided that under Saksham Anganwadi, the upgradation of AWCs will be started in Aspirational Districts across the country. The number of AWCs to be upgraded to Saksham Anganwadi Centres in 2022 in Aspirational Districts is placed at Annexure. The data provided is illustrative only and States/UTs may decide on the districts/blocks where the Anganwadis can be made Saksham. Please also note that out of the identified numbers 1/3rd are to be upgraded with LED Screen. (Action Plan for the year 2023 to 2026 will be intimated later).

6. In view of the above, concerned States/UTs are requested to kindly identify and select the Anganwadi Centres to be upgraded as Saksham Anganwadis and furnish the status to this Ministry by 15.04.2022 on the email: sunerta.ncgi71@gov.in. The following may be ensured by States/UTs for selection of the Anganwadis Centres for upgradation to Saksham Anganwadis:

- i. AWC must be in Govt. owned building
- ii. AWC having drinking water and sanitation facilities
- iii. AWC having provision/space for installation of Rain Water Harvesting system
- iv. AWC having open space around for Poshan Vatika; and
- v. Most importantly AWC at a place where safety point must be kept in view for the installed infrastructure.

This issues with the approval of Competent Authority,

Yours sincerely,


(Capt. Prabhanshu Srivastav)
IAS
Deputy Secretary (Anganwadi Services)

Details of AWCs information to cover under Saksham Anganwadis

1. Name of District

2. Name of Project

3. Name of Sector

4. Name of AWC having own building but not within the campus of school and uncovered under Co-located AWC

5. Code of AWC (11 digit)

6. Area covered

Mark only one oval.

☐ Rural/Tribal

☐ Urban

7. AWC having drinking water facilities

Mark only one oval.☐ Yes☐ No

8. AWC having facility for rain water harvesting

Mark only one oval.☐ Yes☐ No☐ Other: _____

9. AWC having open space for 'Mo Upakari Bagicha'

Mark only one oval.☐ Yes☐ No

10. Whether the AWC is located in a safe place?

Mark only one oval.☐ Yes☐ No

11. Whether the AWC having electricity connection?

Mark only one oval.

☐ Yes

☐ No

12. No. of pre-school children enrolled in the AWC (preferably within 20 - 30)

13. Whether the AWC is surrounded by boundary wall

Mark only one oval.

☐ Yes

☐ No

14. Whether the AWC has child friendly furniture ?

Mark only one oval.

☐ Yes

☐ No

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