



**National Programme
of
Mid Day Meal in Schools
(MDMS)**

**Annual Work Plan & Budget
2021-22**

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1. Introduction:

1.1 Brief history

- **In the State of Jammu & Kashmir:** - National Programme of Nutritional Support to Education (popularly known as Mid Day Meal Scheme) was launched in the J&K State in September 2004 with an objective to give a boost to Universalization of Primary Education by increasing enrollment, retention and attendance. In pursuance of the directions dated 20th April, 2004 of the Hon'ble Supreme Court, the J&K School Education Department reviewed various issues related with the proper implementation of the scheme in accordance with the directions and necessary measures have been taken as under:-
 1. The programme has been universalized.
 2. At gross root level, the scheme is being implemented under the supervision of PRIs, School Management Committees & Village Education Committees.
 3. The food grains are lifted from the FCI by the Directors of Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs Department on behalf of the Education Department as the FCS&CA Department has a good network of sale outlets across the J&K UT with capacity to store the food grains. Thereafter the food grains are being lifted from the nearest Public Distribution Centre by the authorized representative of the identified schools.
 4. The contingent paid workers were originally assigned the job of cooking but now for this purpose cook-cum-helpers have been engaged and assigned the job of cooking.
 5. Necessary expenses on account of implementation of the Mid-day Meal Scheme are being met out of the funds in the ratio of **90:10** as Central Share and State Share for Cooking Cost, Honorarium to Cook-cum-Helpers (Recurring Component).and Construction of Kitchen-cum-Stores (Non-recurring Component).

1.2 Management Structure

The MDM scheme is being implemented in the State by Mission Director, MDM. A cell has been created in the Mission Directorate for effective and efficient implementation of the scheme. To ensure the transparency of the Scheme, the following mechanism has been put in place:

- a. Two Joint Directors of Samagra Shiksha have been charged with the responsibility of monitoring the scheme in their respective provinces.
- b. Constitution of the District Level Committee headed by Principal DIET of the respective District.
- c. Constitution of the Zonal Level Committee headed by one Principal of +2 institution of the respective zone to be nominated by the Chief Education Officer of the concerned District.

In addition, the monitoring of the MDM Scheme has been brought under the control of Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs), School Management Committees (SMCs) and School Management Development Committees (SMDCs). It is pertinent to mention here that under the PRIs, (10) members Community level committee have been constituted in each school comprises of

- 1) Sarpanch/Administrator or Panch nominated by Sarpanch/Administrator
- 2-3) Two members of Panchayat Halqa(preferably female)-on rotation basis for One academic session to be nominated by Sarpanch/Administrator
- 4-8) Five women from community (parents of children studying in the school)- on rotation basis for one academic session
- 9) Head of the institution
- 10) Teacher (I/C MDM)

1.3 Process of Plan Formulation at State and District level.

The process of Plan formulation started from the school level. The SMC/SMDC/PRI members were consulted while formulating plan at school level. The school level plan got consolidated at the Zonal level under the supervision of the Zonal Education Officer of the respective zone. The Zonal level plan got consolidated at the District level by the Chief Education Officer. After the District Level consolidation, the Plan was compiled at the Divisional level and then finalized at the UT Level.

2. Description and assessment of the programme implemented in the previous year (2020-21) and proposal for current year (2021-22):

During the year 2020-21, against the PAB approval of 22205 No. of schools with the enrollment of 701761 No. of children, the State has covered 22205 No. of Schools (12882 PS + 9323 UPS) with the coverage 790406 no. of children. For the current Financial Year 2021-22, the State has proposed 848317 No. of children (PS-550750 + UPS-297567)

2.1 Regularity and wholesomeness of Mid-Day Meals served to children; interruptions if any and the reasons therefore problem areas for regular serving of meals and action taken to avoid interruptions in future.

During closure of schools due to spread of COVID-19, all the eligible children were provided Food Security Allowance(FSA) comprises of distribution of foodgrains(rice) at their doorstep and crediting of cooking cost into the bank accounts of children/parents through DBT mode.

2.2 System for cooking, serving and supervising mid-day meals in the schools

In J&K UT, the Mid-Day Meal is cooked by Cook-cum-helpers engaged in the Schools under the supervision of incharge teacher MDM and served to the children under the supervision of PRI's, Community level Committee and is sometimes served in the presence of parents.

2.3 Details about weekly Menu.

2.3.1 Weekly Menu – Day wise

<i>S. No</i>	<i>Day</i>	<i>Name of the Commodity/Item to be served</i>
1	Monday	a.) Pulses (e.g Arhar Dal,) b.) Potato, Tamato, Onion(Mixed)
2	Tuesday	a.) Pulses (e.g Rumhaa Dal, /Masoor Dal) b.) Seasonal Vegetables(Combined at least three)
3	Wednesday	a) Pulses (e.g. Rajma Dal. /Channa Dal) b) Nutri and Tomatos(Mixed)
4	Thursday	a)Pulses (e.g. Moong Dal,) b)Potato, Onion, Tamato(Mixed)
5	Friday	a) Meat/ Cheese b) Seasonal Leafy Vegetables (Mixed)
6	Saturday	a) Pulses (e.g Beans/ Choola dal) b) Mixed leafy vegetables (Combination of three)

2.3.2 Additional Food items provided (fruits/milk/any other items), if any from State/UT resources. Frequency of their serving alongwith per unit cost per day.

No additional items are served to the children under MDM Scheme. But, in some low enrolment schools eggs are being provided as an additional food item. The Administration of J&K UT is planning to provide additional items to children like serving of milk or an egg once a week.

2.3.3 Usage of Double Fortified Salt,

The Directors implementing the Scheme in the State were instructed to use the Double Fortified Salt in all the Schools and the necessary instructions have been conveyed up to the School Level. Some schools serving MDM are using Double Fortified Salt while preparing meals as reported by the inspection teams.

2.3.4 At what level menu is being decided / fixed,

As per the guidelines, the School Management Committee decides the daily Menu in the School as per their requirement and availability.

2.3.5 Provision of local variation in the menu, Inclusion of locally available ingredients/items in the menu as per the liking/taste of the children

The variation in local menu arises due to different geographical locations in the State.

2.3.6 Time of serving meal

Generally, timings for serving of Mid-day Meal at school level is between 1:00 pm to 1:30 pm during recess time.

2.4 Fund Flow Mechanism - System for release of funds (Central share and State share).

2.4.1 Existing mechanism for release of funds up to school/ implementing agency levels.

The funds received from the Gol, MHRD and authorized by the State Finance Department are further released to the School Education Department (Administrative Department) who further release in favour of Mission Director, Mid Day Meal J&K UT for its further release to CEOs/ZEOs and up to school level. During the year 2020-21, funds as Food Security Allowance has been directly transferred into the account of beneficiaries through DBT mode.

2.4.2 Mode of release of funds at different levels.

After receiving the Central Share from the MHRD, Gol, the credit confirmation is sought from the State Finance Deptt and the same is released to Mission Director, Mid Day Meal for its further disbursement to Districts / Zones for implementing the Scheme in Schools. The UT Share against the Central Share is released directly by the Planning and Development Department to the Mission Director, MDM. The J&K UT is not directly e-transferring the funds to the schools but the e-transferring has been started from the Zonal level.

2.4.3 Dates when the fund released to State Authority / Directorate / District / Block / Gram Panchayat and finally to the Cooking Agency / School.

The date of the funds received/released is given in table AT-2A of AWP&B 2020-21.

2.4.4 Reasons for delay in release of funds at different levels.

There is no such delay in release of funds at any level during the current year. However; some delay has been caused because of the confirmation of credits by the State Finance Department. During the last year SSMC meeting, instructions were conveyed to the State Finance Department to confirm the credits of the funds received within a span of 10-15 days.

2.4.5 In case of delay in release of funds from State/ Districts, how the scheme has been implemented by schools/ implementing agencies.

In case of delay in release of funds from the State/Districts, the Scheme is being implemented out of the school local fund or on credit basis. Meals are served interruptedly in schools.

2.4.6 Initiatives taken by the State for pre-positioning of funds with the implementing agencies in the beginning of the year.

The J&K UT is taking the initiative for implementing the Public Finance Management System (PFMS) under the Mid-day Meal Scheme for operating the funds upto school level and shall be implemented shortly.

2.5 Food grains management,

2.5.1 Time lines for lifting of foodgrains from FCI Depot-District wise lifting calendar of foodgrains.

The food grains are lifted by the FCS&CA Department from the FCI godowns on behalf of District authorities on quarterly basis.

2.5.2 System for ensuring lifting of FAQ foodgrains (Joint inspections at the time of lifting etc.).

During the course of State Steering cum Monitoring Committee meeting the FCI members are directed to provide the Fair Average Quality (FAQ) food grains to the Schools

2.5.3 Is there any incident when FAQ food grain was not provided by FCI. If so, the action taken by the State/District to get such foodgrain replaced with FAQ food grain. How the food grain of FAQ was provided to implementing agencies till replacement of inferior quality of food grain from FCI was arranged.

No such incident has been noticed in the UT till date.

2.5.4 System for transportation and distribution of food grains

The FCS&CA Department deliver the food grains through fair price shops in the state at the school doorstep including hilly & remote areas; however strict directions has also been issued to the FCS&CA Department of the UT to deliver food grains at the doorsteps of the schools as far as possible.

2.5.5 Whether unspent balance of foodgrains with the schools is adjusted from the allocation of the respective implementing agencies (Schools/SHGs/Centralized Kitchens) Number of implementing agencies receiving foodgrains at doorstep level.

The unspent balance of food grains has been adjusted from the allocation of the respective schools. A large number of schools of the districts are receiving food grains at the nearest FCS&CA Department outlets.

2.5.6 Storage facility at different levels in the State/ District/ Blocks / Implementing agencies after lifting of food grains from FCI depot.,

The primary storage of food grains is provided by the FCS&CA department. The schools after lifting the food grains from the FCS&CA depots and then store them in clean, dry steel drums placed inside their kitchen sheds.

2.5.7 Challenges faced and plan to overcome them.

The rates for lifting of food grains should be enhanced from Rs. 1350/ per MTs to 2000/ per MTs by taking into considerations the terrain of the district as existing rates is not sufficient because of the varied topography of the J&K UT as the FCS&CA Department charges more rates in hilly areas as they involve huge head loads. The detailed plan in this regard shall be submitted very shortly by taking into consideration PDS rates of different places.

2.6 Payment of cost of foodgrains to FCI.

2.6.1 System for payment of cost of foodgrains to FCI; whether payments made at district level or State level

Once the budget for food grains is received from the MHRD, Gol, and its Credits confirmed from the UT Finance Department, the same is released to Mission Director, MDM implementing the programme in the J&K UT and then provided to the CEOs of the Districts for further payments to FCI through RTGS facility.

2.6.2 Status of pending bills of FCI of the previous year(s) and the reasons for pendency.

The details in respect of Bill raised and Payment made to the FCI during 2020-21 is given as under:

(Rs In Lacs)

Funds available	Bills raised by FCI	Payment to FCI	Unspent Balance	Pending bills of previous year	Payment of pending bills of previous year
624.20	559.84	532.33 (95 %)	91.87	97.13	85.61

2.6.3 Timelines for liquidating the pending bills of previous year(s).

The pending bills of the FCI for current and previous years, shall be cleared up after the receipt of funds during the year 2021-22.

2.6.4 Whether meetings are held regularly in the last week of the month by the District Nodal Officers with FCI as per guidelines dated 10.02.2010 to resolve the issues relating to lifting, quality of food grains and payment of bills.

During the current year no monthly meeting has been conducted by the State Nodal Officer with the FCI authorities. However, at the time of lifting of

foodgrains from the FCI, the concerned District Officers discuss the issues with the FCI.

2.6.5 Whether the District Nodal Officers are submitting the report of such meeting to State Head quarter by 7th of next month.

The District Nodal Officer (CEO) after discussing the issue with FCI Authorities reports to the Mission Director, Mid Day Meal, J&K and further submit the report to the Administrative department.

2.6.6 The process of reconciliation of payment with the concerned offices of FCI.

The districts are already been informed to reconcile their accounts with FCI. They are doing it at the time of release of foodgrains for the quarter by the FCI and submit report to the Mission Director, MDM J&K.

2.6.7 Relevant issues regarding payment to FCI.

The main issue regarding payment to FCI arises while drawing the bill from the District treasury Office. The delay caused at district treasuries due to shortage of funds to draw the amount sometimes even takes a month or so.

2.6.8 Whether there is any delay in payment of Cost of food grains to FCI and steps taken to rectify the same.

Sometimes, there is delay in making payment to FCI due to drawal of funds from the Treasury. The districts are informed to make bills immediately after receipt funds from the higher authorities and submit it in the concerned Treasuries for early drawal of funds and making payment to FCI.

2.7 Cook-cum-helpers

2.7.1 Whether the State follows the norms prescribed by MoE,GoI for the engagement of cook-cum-helpers or it has its own norms.

The J&K UT is following the norms prescribed by the MoE,GoI while engaging the Cook-cum-helpers under the Scheme, the engagement of CCH is generally made from the socially and economically poor families.

2.7.2 In case, the State follows different norms, the details of norms followed may be indicated.

No such UT norms are followed under the Scheme.

2.7.3 Is there any difference in the number of Cook-cum-helpers eligible for engagement as per norms and the CCH actually engaged.

Against the PAB approval of 32394 Cook-cum-helpers, the State has engaged 29979 Cook-cum-helpers leaving a difference of 2415 Cook-cum-helpers which shall be engaged in the current financial year.

2.7.4 System and mode of payment, of honorarium to Cook-cum-helpers and implementing agencies viz. NGOs /SHGs/Trust/Centralized kitchens etc.

The payment of honorarium to cook-cum-helpers is made by the Zonal Education Officers via e-transferring in their bank accounts in all the schools.

2.7.5 Whether the CCH were paid on monthly basis.

The CCHs are paid immediately after the receipt of funds from the higher authorities.

2.7.6 Whether there was any instance regarding irregular payment of honorarium to Cook-cum-helpers and reason thereof. Measures taken to rectify the problem.

Honorarium to Cook-cum-helper is always paid on regular basis. However, sometimes, delay in payment is caused in official processing time of credit confirmation and further release of funds to the schools.

2.7.7 Rate of honorarium to Cook-cum-helpers,

The rate of honorarium to Cook Cum Helpers is Rs. 1000/ per month (90:10) ratio between Central/UT for 10 months only.

2.7.8 Number of cook-cum-helpers having bank accounts,

All cook-cum-helpers engaged under the scheme having bank accounts.

2.7.9 Number of cook-cum-helpers receiving honorarium through their bank accounts,

All Cook-cum-helpers are receiving honorarium through their bank accounts.

2.7.10 Provisions for health check-ups of Cook-cum-Helpers,

The Health Department has not yet started health check-ups of cook cum helpers. However, a decision was taken in the last year meeting of State Level Steering cum Monitoring Committee in which Health Department was requested for having the health checkup of CCH in the nearest PHCs of the schools.

2.7.11 Whether cook-cum-helpers are wearing head gears and gloves at the time of cooking of meals.

The Cook-cum-helpers engaged are not wearing of head gears and globe at the time of cooking of meals. The food is cooked in a very hygienic manner by the cook cum helpers after washing their hands and utensils properly in the schools.

2.7.12 Modalities for apportionment of cook-cum-helpers engaged at school level and working at centralized kitchens, in case of schools being served through centralized kitchens,

No centralized kitchen is available as yet in the state.

2.7.13 Mechanisms adopted for the training of cook cum helpers. Total number of trained cook cum helpers engaged in the cooking of MDMs. Details of the training modules; Number of Master Trainers available in the State; Number of trainings organized by the Master Trainers for training cook-cum-helpers.

Food Craft Institute, Jammu and Institute of Hotel Management, Raj Bagh Srinagar has been providing training to CCHs engaged under MDM Scheme. The Training module includes:

- ✓ Knowledge dissemination regarding the calorific and nutritive values of Mid Day Meals

- ✓ Methods of cooking for retaining the nutritive value of cooking ingredients.
- ✓ Awareness regarding issues of malnutrition and also benchmark of nutrition
- ✓ Importance of Hand washing
- ✓ General health and Hygienic practices and concerns
- ✓ Communication skill

223 Number of Master trainers are available in the J&K UT and they have trained 5931 CCHs till date. No training programme was conducted during the year 2020-21.

2.7.14 Whether any steps have been taken to enroll cook-cum-helpers under any social security schemes i.e Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana etc. and number of cooks benefitted through the same.

Instructions had already been conveyed to the field functionaries to cover all cook-cum-helpers under the Social Security Schemes.

2.8 Procurement and storage of cooking ingredients and condiments

2.8.1 System for procuring good quality (pulses, vegetables including leafy ones, salt, condiments, oil etc. and other commodities.

The concerned heads of the schools/ teacher I/C MDM are procuring (good quality Agmark / FPO) pulses, vegetables including leafy ones, salt, condiments, etc. and other commodities themselves.

2.8.2 Whether pulses are being procured from NAFED or otherwise.

No pulses are procured from NAFED as yet.

2.8.3 Whether First In and First Out (FIFO) method has been adopted for using MDM ingredients such as pulses, oil/fats. Condiments salt etc. or not.

The implementing agency had already been informed through ZEOs that the FIFO method is properly adopted in usage of pulses and condiments etc. The new pulses and condiments etc. are purchased only after exhausting the old ones.

2.8.4 Arrangements for safe storage of ingredients and condiments in kitchens.

The ingredients and condiments are stored in air tight containers to ensure their safe storage in the kitchens.

2.8.5 Steps taken to ensure implementation of guidelines dated 13.02.2015 on food safety and hygiene in school level kitchens under Mid Day Meal Scheme.

The food is being cooked in hygienic conditions. The cooked food is first tasted by a teacher I/C MDM and Parent to ensure its quality. Before serving the meals, the children are advised to properly wash their hands with soap / hand wash.

2.8.6 Information regarding dissemination of the guidelines up-to school level.

2.9 Fuel used for cooking of Mid Day Meals – LPG, smokeless chulha, firewood & others.

2.9.1 Number of Schools using LPG for cooking MDM.

Out of 22205 schools, only 14021 schools are cooking meals by using LPG. Others are using firewood and kerosene oil . It is due to the reason that they have to pay huge transportation charges while refilling of gas cylinders whereas, firewood and kerosene oil are easily available.

2.9.2 Steps taken by State to provide LPG as fuel in MDM in all schools.

Instructions have already been conveyed to the FCS&CA department to cover all leftover schools by providing LPG as fuel in MDM in all schools. However, there are some schools which are located in remote and hilly areas where use of LPG is not feasible because of huge head load and

therefore, the timber is used for cooking of meals in those schools which has been found as the best alternative for those schools.

2.9.3 Expected date by which LPG would be provided in all schools.

2.10 Kitchen-cum-stores.

2.10.1 Procedure for construction of kitchen-cum-store,

The kitchen-cum-stores allotted to the District were constructed under erstwhile SSA norms through VLC committee. The construction work was properly monitored by the SSA Engineering Wing of the District.

Out of 11165 sanctioned Kitchens-cum-store, the J&K UT has completed 6099 and the balance of 5066 kitchen cum store could not be completed within the existing rates prescribed by MoE,GoI. The Administrative Department, School Education Department has taken up the matter with the Finance Department, J&K for release of unspent balance of previous years amounting to Rs.4268.80 lakhs including Rs.229.84 lakhs of Ladakh UT so that the backlog of Kitchen sheds shall be completed during the year 2021-22.

2.10.2 Whether any standardized model of kitchen cum stores is used for construction.

The state has prepared the type design of Kitchens-cum-store having plinth area of 120 Sq. feet through SSA engineering wing of State SOR 2012. The unit cost as per location of schools is as under :

Terrain	Unit Cost(In lacs)	Plinth Area
Winter ans Hilly	3.32	15'X8'
Winter and Plain	2.80	15'X8'
Summer and Hilly	2.56	15'X8'
Summer and Plain	2.24	15'X8'

2.10.3 Details of the construction agency and role of community in this work.

The kitchen-cum-stores allotted to the District were constructed under erstwhile SSA norms through VLC committee. Now, the Engineering wing of School Education Department is in place and they have made DPRs of Kitchen sheds as per State SOR 2012 as mentioned above.

2.10.4 Kitchen cum stores constructed through convergence, if any

No kitchen-cum-stores have been constructed through convergence under State Plan during the year 2020-21. However, 6686 number of Kitchen cum stores are constructed through convergence prior to 2012.

2.10.5 Progress of construction of kitchen-cum-stores and target for the next year.

All possible efforts are made to clear the back log of kitchen cum stores in the current financial year.

2.10.6 The reasons for slow pace of construction of kitchen cum stores, if applicable.

No Kitchen-cum-store has been constructed during 2020-21 out of central assistance.

2.10.7 How much interest has been earned on the unutilized central assistance lying in the bank account of the State/implementing agencies

The unutilized central assistance of Rs. 42.68 crore under the component Kitchen cum Store is not lying in the bank account of the School Education department, the same is still lying with the State Finance Department.

2.10.8 Details of the Kitchen-cum-stores constructed in convergence. Details of the agency engaged for the construction of these Kitchen-cum-stores.

The details are available in the AWP&B tables AT 11 & 11A

2.11 Kitchen Devices

2.11.1 Procedure of procurement of kitchen devices from funds released under the Mid Day Meal Programme

The funds for kitchen devices are released to the schools through their respective Zonal Education Officers and the procurement is done at the School Level.

2.11.2 Status of procurement of kitchen devices

Procurement of kitchen devices is made from the funds released from the MoE, Gol only and not from the other sources of the state.

2.11.3 Procurement of kitchen devices through convergence or community/CSR

The Kitchen devices/ eating plates are donated by the religious societies/boards such as Shrine Board, waqaf board of the State.

2.11.4 Availability of eating plates in the schools. Source of procurement of eating plates.

Eating plates are available in all schools which are purchased from the Kitchen Devices funds and sometimes from MME funds released by the MoE, Gol.

2.12 Measures taken to rectify

2.12.1 Inter-district low and uneven utilization of food grains and cooking cost

There is no such low and uneven utilization of food grains and cooking cost.

2.12.2 Intra-district mismatch in utilization of food grains and cooking cost.

There is no such mismatch in utilization of food grains and cooking cost.

2.12.3 Mismatch of data reported through various sources (QPR, AWP&B, MIS etc)

No mismatch of data reported through QPRs.

2.13 Quality of food

2.13.1 System of Tasting of food by teachers/community. Maintenance of tasting register at school level.

Before serving the MDM food to children, it is properly tasted by Hol/MDM Incharge of the schools and details entered into the register.

2.13.2 Maintenance of roster of parents, community for the presence of at least two parents in the school on each day at the time of serving and tasting of mid day meal.

Some schools serving MDM have proper roster of parents and are tasting meals on each day at the time of serving and tasting of MDM.

2.13.3 Testing of food sample by any recognized labs for prescribed nutrition and presence of contaminants such as microbes, e-coli .

During the year 2020-21, all the schools were closed due to spread of COVID-19 and eligible children were provided FSA during this period. Due to non serving of cooked meal during closure of schools, no sample testing of food grains was made during 2020-21.

2.13.4 Engagement of / recognized labs for the testing of Meals.

No such recognized lab has been engaged as yet for testing of meals. However, sample testing was carried out through Drugs & Food Control Organization, J&K in the year 2019-20.

2.13.5 Details of protocol for testing of Meals, frequency of lifting and testing of samples.

The State Health Department in collaboration with Drug and Food Control Organization lift the food samples randomly from the schools for testing its quality and hygiene.

2.13.6 Details of samples taken for testing and the results thereof.

As indicated at point No, 2.13.3.

2.13.7 Steps taken to ensure implementation of guidelines issued with regard to quality of food.

The field functionaries implementing the scheme have been instructed to ensure the implementation of scheme strictly as per the guidelines of the scheme to ensure its quality and hygiene.

2.14 Involvement of NGOs / Trusts.

No NGO/Trusts has been engaged as yet. However, J&K UT has initiated process for involvement of NGO "Akshay Patra" to serve meals to the children in District Jammu and Samba on pilot basis. MoU in this regard stands shared with Akshay Patra to proceed further in the matter.

2.14.1 Modalities for engagement of NGOs/ Trusts for serving of MDM through centralized kitchen.

- Guidelines of MoE,GoI have been followed.
- 2.14.2 Whether NGOs/ Trusts are serving meal in rural areas**
No NGO/Trusts has been engaged so far.
- 2.14.3 Maximum distance and time taken for delivery of food from centralized kitchen to schools**
Not Applicable
- 2.14.4 Measures taken to ensure delivery of hot cooked meals to schools**
Not Applicable
- 2.14.5 Responsibility of receiving cooked meals at the schools from the centralized kitchen,**
Not Applicable
- 2.14.6 Whether sealed /insulated containers are used for supply of meals to schools,**
Not Applicable
- 2.14.7 Tentative time of delivery of meals at schools from centralized kitchen.**
Not Applicable
- 2.14.8 Availability of weighing machine for weighing the cooked MDM at School level prepared at centralized kitchen.**
Not Applicable
- 2.14.9 Testing of food samples at centralized kitchens.**
Not Applicable
- 2.9.1 Whether NGOs / Trusts/ Temples / Gurudwara / Jails etc. is receiving grant from other organizations for the mid day meal. If so, the details thereof.**
No information consolidated as yet.

2.15 Systems to ensure transparency and accountability in all aspects of programme implementation,

To ensure transparency in implementing the programme, the Divisional level authorities are monitoring the programme at Divisional level, CEO's/DIET Principal at District level and ZEO/ZEPO at Zonal level.

- 2.15.1 Display of logo, entitlement of children and other information at a prominent visible place in school**
All schools serving MDM are displaying logo of MDM and MDM Menu at an eye striking place in the school.
- 2.15.2 Dissemination of information through MDM website**
Not initiated as yet.
- 2.15.3 Provisions for community monitoring at school level i.e. Mother Roaster, Inspection register,**
The parents are actively involved in monitoring the scheme by tasting the meals on random basis and inspecting the safety and hygiene of kitchens

devices. The VEC/SMC , Community level committee members and PRIs are also monitoring the MDM scheme at school level.

2.15.4 Tasting of meals by community members,

The meals are tasted by the teacher in charge MDM regularly and sometimes by the VECs members and parents also taste the cooked meals on random basis at the school level.

2.15.5 Conducting Social Audit

Social Audit of MDM scheme has been conducted in four districts (Budgam, Ganderbal, Kathua and Ramban) through University of Jammu/Kashmir of the State. The findings of the report shall be shared not only with these four districts but also with other districts for the effective implementation of the scheme.

2.15.5.1 Whether Social Audit has been carried out or not

No social audit was conducted during 2020-21.

2.15.5.2 If no, in 2.15.5.1, reasons thereof.

Not applicable

2.15.5.3 Details of action taken by the State on the findings of Social Audit.

Not applicable

2.15.5.4 Impact of social audit in the schools

Not applicable

2.15.5.5 Action plan for Social Audit during 2021-22.

Now , all the schools have been closed in J&K UT due to spread of COVID-19. But, after the reopening of schools, Social Audit in schools shall be conducted from Social Audit Unit created in MNREGA.

2.16 Capacity building and training for different stakeholders

2.16.1 Details of the training programme conducted for cook-cum-helpers, State level officials, SMC members, school teachers and others stakeholders

No such training programme of Cook-cum-Helpers was conducted during the year 2020-21. It is pertinent to mention here that cooking competition among of CCHs have been conducted in all districts of Jammu Division during 2019-20 wherein winners were given cash prizes and consolation prizes for the others.

2.16.2 Details about Modules used for training, Master Trainers, Venues etc.

Training is being imparted to the stakeholders as master trainers from Food Craft Institute, Nagrota Jammu in respect of Jammu Division and Institute of Hotel Management, Rajbagh Srinagar for Kashmir Division.

2.16.3 Targets for the next year.

Batch of 180 CCHs from both the Division shall be trained as master trainer in the year 2020-21 on quarterly basis, who in turn impart training to all 10000 CCHs.

2.17 Management Information System at School, Block, District and State level and its details.

2.17.1 Procedure followed for data entry into MDM-MIS Web portal

The data entry into MDM-MIS Web Portal is done at the Block/Zonal Level after receiving the monthly reports filled up by the concerned schools.

2.17.2 Level (State/ District/ Block/ School) at which data entry is made

The data entry into MDM-MIS Web Portal is done at the Block/Zonal Level after receiving the monthly reports filled up by the concerned schools.

2.17.3 Availability of manpower for web based MIS

There is very less manpower available for web based MIS at District/Zonal/Block Level. However the data entry on MIS portal is made by the Data Entry Operators engaged under erstwhile SSA as per the instructions of GoI, MHRD.

2.17.4 Mechanism for ensuring timely data entry and quality of data

The Block/Zonal Level authority ensures timely data entry and quality of data.

2.17.5 Whether MIS data is being used for monitoring purpose and details thereof.

State has been doing monitoring at different levels and MIS data is also being used for this purpose.

2.18 Automated Monitoring System (AMS) at School, Block, District and State level and its details.

2.18.1 Status of implementation of AMS

Rolling out of AMS on daily basis through NIC has been started by the J&K UT.

2.18.2 Mode of collection of data under AMS (SMS/IVRS/Mobile App/Web enabled)

The data is collected through SMS/IVRS/Mobile App/Web enabled.

2.18.3 Tentative unit cost for collection of data.

2.18.4 Mechanism for ensuring timely submission of information by schools

At Present, the school has to furnish information from 10.10 A.M to 5.00 P.M.

2.18.5 Whether the information under AMS is got validated.

Yes

2.18.6 Whether AMS data is being used for monitoring purpose and details thereof.

Yes

2.18.7 In case, AMS has not been rolled out, the reasons there for may be indicated alongwith the time lines by which it would be rolled out.

Not applicable

2.19 Details of Evaluation studies conducted by State/UT and summary of its findings.

No, Evaluation study of the MDM Scheme at J&K UT level was conducted during the year 2020-21.

2.20 Write up on best/ innovative practices followed in the State alongwith some high resolution photographs of these best / innovative practices.

The State has initiated process of implementing Public Finance Management System (PFMS) under MDMS for remittance of funds through e-transfer to the Schools.

2.21 Untoward incidents

2.21.1 Instances of unhygienic food served, children falling ill

No incident of children falling ill in the State due to unsafe drinking water and contamination of food has been reported during 2020-21.

2.21.2 Sub-standard supplies,

No sub standard supplies are supplied/ Utilized by the schools.

2.21.3 Diversion/ misuse of resources,

No Diversion/ misuse of resources have been made in the State.

2.21.4 Social discrimination

There is no Social Discrimination among the Children in the State.

2.21.5 Action taken and safety measures adopted to avoid recurrence of such incidents. Whether Emergency Plan exists to tackle any untoward incident.

Instructions has been given to the cooks and the dealing teachers to avoid any unhygienic activity/lapses while cooking and serving MDM to the children and fresh water taps has been installed in the Schools. Besides, the Health Department and FCS&CA Department are being repeatedly requested for conducting regular meetings with Education Department and to ensure all safety measures be adopted to tackle any untoward incident. Besides, regular health checkups and medicines are being provided regularly to the children and also good quality of food grains are being served to the students.

2.22 Status of Rastriya Bal Swasthya Karyakram (School Health Programme)

2.22.1 Provision of micro- nutrients, de-worming medicine, Iron and Folic acid (WIFS).

During 2020-21, Health check ups of 135205 number of children have been conducted by the Health Department. Besides, distribution of 50780 De-worming tablets among 135205 children .

Recording of height, weight etc.

The height and weight of the children are being recorded by the Medical Officers while doing the health checkups in the school.

2.22.2 Distribution of spectacles to children with refractive error,

No spectacles were provided to children during the year 2020-21 as the schools were remained closed for almost three quarter i.e upto Dec.2020.

2.22.3 Recording of height, weight etc.

During health checkup of children, recording of height and weight are also made and reflected in their reports. But, no achievement has been made during the year 2020-21 due to closure of schools due to spread of COVID-19.

2.22.4 Number of visits made by the RBSK team for the health check- up of the children (Please ensure to upload at least two photographs of the visit of the medical team in each school on MDM-MIS portal).

During 2020-21, Health check ups of 135205 number of children have been conducted by the Health Department. Besides, distribution of 50780 De-worming tablets among 135205 children. Photographs is uploaded on MDM-MIS portal

2.23 Present monitoring structure at various levels. Strategy for establishment of monitoring cell at various levels viz. Block, District and State level for effective monitoring of the scheme.

Presently the Scheme is monitored at the Divisional/District/Zonal Level under the composition of following committees constituted: -

Divisional Level Committee headed by one Joint Director from the Samagra Shiksha

District Level Committee headed by Principal DIET of the respective District.

Zonal Level Committee headed by one Principal of +2 institution of the respective zone to be nominated by the Chief Education Officer of the concerned District.

In addition, the monitoring of the MDM Scheme has been brought under the control of Panchayati Raj Institutions and Village Education Committees

2.24 Meetings of Steering cum Monitoring Committees at the Block, District and State level

2.24.1 Number of meetings held at various level and gist of the issues discussed in the meeting,

05 monthly meeting at district level under the chairmanship of Member of Parliament and 57 meeting chaired by District Magistrate are held during year 2020-21 in which it was decided to inspect all the schools after regular intervals. However, at the State Level the Steering cum Monitoring Committees is once being held to review the implementation of the scheme. During the year 2020-21, 1163 No. of Schools have been inspected by the government officials.

2.24.2 Action taken on the decisions taken during these meetings.

The heads of the concerned departments have been instructed to take the necessary actions by their respective departments regarding the issues discussed in the meetings for effective implementation of the MDM Scheme.

2.25 Frequency of meeting of District Level Committee held under the chairmanship of senior most MP of the District to monitor the scheme. Gist of the issues discussed and action taken thereon.

The districts levels meeting under the Chairmanship of concerned MP are being held and accordingly the decisions taken in the meetings are communicated to the field functionaries for necessary and appropriate action .

2.26 Arrangement for official inspections to MDM centers/schools and percentage of schools inspected and summary of findings and remedial measures taken.

The District Institute of Education and Training (DIET) have been charged with the responsibility to ensure that all schools are covered where Mid Day Meal is served with the objective to know the status of the implementation of the MDM scheme and corrective remedial measures are to be taken by the respective Chief Education Officer.

2.27 Details of the Contingency Plan to avoid any untoward incident. Printing of important phone numbers (e.g. Primary Health Center, Hospital, Fire brigade etc.) on the walls of school building.

As of now, there has been no contingency plan in place. However, the important phone numbers and instructions have been displayed on the main walls/Boards of the school buildings to avoid any untoward incident.

2.28 Grievance Redressal Mechanism

2.28.1 Details regarding Grievance Redressal at all levels,

Departmental hierarchy addresses public grievance promptly at all levels with the involvement of VEC/SMDC in the scheme.

2.28.2 Details of complaints received i.e. Nature of complaints etc.

The complaints and grievances if any received are addressed on priority basis at the required level.

2.28.3 Time schedule for disposal of complaints,

Complaints are disposed of by the authorities implementing the scheme as and when comes into their notice.

2.28.4 Details of action taken on the complaints.

NA

2.29 Details regarding Awareness Generation & Information, Education and Communication (IEC) activities and Media campaign, carried out at State/district/block/school level.

For creating awareness about the scheme among the children and parents, advertisements were flouted through Prasar Bharti and FM radio for the purpose.

Whatsapp groups of district authorities (CEOs), Block/Zone level officials and groups of Teachers including PRIs and SMCs have been created and are being updated through these social media platforms.

Twitter handle is also in use to update progress and communicate information.

2.30 Overall assessment of the manner in which implementation of the programme is contributing to the programme objectives and an analysis of strengths and weaknesses of the programme implementation.

The programme is being implemented in the J&K UT in its true spirit. In order to fulfill the objectives of the scheme the funds need to be released in time.

2.31 Action Plan for ensuring enrolment of all school children under Aadhaar before the stipulated date.

2.32 Contribution by community in the form of Tithi Bhojan or any other similar practices in the State/ UT etc.

Circular instructions have been issued for strict implementation to all the CEOs for serving Tithi Bhojan on special occasions (including birthdays of the children) and festivals with the involvement of PRIs members, SMDC members and community members. No activity is carried out during the year 2020-21.

2.33 Kitchen Gardens

2.33.1 Status of availability of kitchen gardens in the schools. **(Please furnish school wise details for all districts in the table given at Annexure – W 1.)**

2.33.1 Mapping of schools with the corresponding Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVK)
Not yet.

2.33.2 Details of the mechanisms adopted for the setting up and Maintenance of kitchen gardens.

Not yet as schools are closed due to spread of COVID-19.It shall be put in place after the reopening of schools during the year 2021-22.

2.33.3 Whether the produce of these kitchen gardens is used in MDM.

Yes, the production of vegetables is used in the preparation of Mid Day Meal.

2.33.4 Action plan for setting up of kitchen gardens in all schools.

The desired target shall be completed after the reopening of schools during the year 2021-22.

2.34 Details of action taken to operationalize the MDM Rules, 2015.

MDM Rules,2015 is operationalize in J&K UT in true letter and spirit.

2.35 Details of payment of Food Security Allowances and its mechanism.

Food Security Allowances to children during closure of schools due to COVID-19 has been paid to children directly into their bank account through DBT mode. The details are given as under:

Name of UT	Total Enrolment	Number of children provided dry rice for (02) months	Quantity of foodgrains disbursed among children(Qty. In metric tonnes)	Cooking Cost to children(Rupees in lacs)	Cooking Cost released for eligible children during 2020-21 (Rupees in lacs)
J&K UT	848317	837445	18979.8797	9249.08	10984.24

2.36 Cooking Competition

2.36.1 Whether cooking competitions have been organized at different levels in 2020-21,

During the year 2020-21, no cooking competition was organized.
if yes in 2.36.1,

2.36.1.1 the number of participants in these competitions

2.36.1.2 Details of judges

2.36.1.3 How many participants were awarded

2.36.1.4 Was the awarded participants given any cash prizes

2.36.1.5 Whether the awarded recipes have been shared with schools

2.36.2 Details of action plan for year 2021-22

It shall be conducted after reopening of schools during the year 2021-22

2.37 Details of minor modifications from the existing guidelines carried out by District Level Committee chaired by the District Magistrate.

No modifications as yet carried out by District level committee chaired by the District Magistrate.

2.38 Details of new interventions (preferably for areas affected with malnutrition, anemia etc, aspirational districts) envisaged under 5% flexi funds – For each intervention, please provide detailed information in the below template

2.38.1 Background Note

2.38.2 Objectives

2.38.3 Rationale for the intervention

2.38.4 Time lines

2.38.5 Coverage

2.38.5.1 Number of Districts

2.38.5.2 Number of schools

2.38.5.3 Number of children

2.38.5.4 Number of working days

2.38.6 Requirement of Funds

2.38.7 Monitoring

2.38.8 Outcome measurement

2.38.9 Impact assessment

2.39 Details about provision of Food Security Allowance during closure of schools on account of COVID Pandemic

Food Security Allowance (FSA) was provided to the eligible children comprises of foodgrains (rice) at their doorstep and crediting of cooking cost into the bank accounts of children/parents through DBT mode.

2.39.1 Methodology adopted for distribution of Food Security Allowance

The distribution of foodgrains (rice) during closure of schools due to spread of COVID-19 has been made through HoI/Incharge MDM of school with the active involvement of PRIs.

2.39.2 Mechanism followed for management and monitoring

Management and monitoring has been done by CEOs/ZEOs and PRIs.

2.39.3 Items provided as Food Security Allowance

As mentioned in 2.39

2.40 Detailed MME plan alongwith Annual plan of activities to be undertaken there under.

Copy enclosed as Annexure-I

2.41 Any other issues and Suggestions.

- Timely release of funds MoE, GoI/Finance Department, J&K is required for effective and efficient implementation of the scheme.
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