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National Programme of Mid Day Meal in Schools (MDMS) Annual Work Plan & Budget 2014 - 15 Arunachal Pradesh

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Foreword

The Mid Day Meal scheme is a highly integrated and comprehensive programme of the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Govt. of India aiming at achieving the goal of Universalization of

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Dated, Itanagar, the 21st February, 2014.

To,

Dr. Amarjit Singh Additional Secretary(EE-I) to Government of India Ministry of Human Resource Development Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.

Sub:- Submission of Annual Work Plan & Budget (AWP&B), 2014-15 of Mid-Day Scheme in respect of Arunachal Pradesh.

Sir,

I am submitting herewith the Annual Work Plan & Budget (AWP&B), 2014-15 on implementation of Mid-Day Scheme in Arunachal Pradesh.

This has got the approval of State level Steering-cum-Monitoring Committee of Mid-Day Meal Scheme in a meeting held on 21.02.2014 under the Chairmanship of Chief Secretary, Arunachal Pradesh.

Yours faithfully,

(R.K. Mishra) IAS Secretary (Education) Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh <u>Itanaga</u>r. Elementary Education (UEE) through extending nutritional support to the children to attend school regularly.

The programme seeks to address two of the most pressing problems for the majority of the school going children viz. hungry and education by:

- Improving the nutritional status of children of class I-VIII in Government, Local Body and Government Aided Schools and EGS and AIE Centers;
- Encouraging poor children of SC/ST and children belonging to disadvantaged section, to attend school more regularly and help them to concentrate on class-room (activities by eliminating class-room hunger);
- Providing nutritional support to Primary stage in drought affected areas during summer vacation;
- Fostering equality among the different socio-economical groups and narrow the gender gap.

With a view to achieve the objectives of the MDM Programme, all out efforts have been made to cover all those eligible children in the age group 6-14 years having attended classes daily in Govt, local body, Govt. Aided and NRST centers including community schools across the State of Arunachal Pradesh. This shows that not a single child, even he/she is residing near at international border area of the State is not being left out from this flagship national school feeding programme.

I would like to congratulate the State Planning Team for formulation of the State Annual Work Plan and Budget' 2014-15 for Mid Day Meal Programme. In addition to AWP LB, a separate Plan for Management, Monitoring and Evaluation (MME) has been prepared and it would help the State to evolve effective mechanism for monitoring of the scheme at different levels. It is appreciated if Arunachal Pradesh is considered as special State status while granting fund under MME component as it is thinly populated state. The proposals made on the various components of MDM Scheme in this document are based on the various district plans and thus it is a holistic plan for elementary quality education.

Follow up activity and monitoring is a very significant part which has bearing on the success of every programme. The basic ideal of monitoring is to improve and further strengthen the programme to achieve the long cherished goal. This document expresses the very essence of monitoring and evaluation. The department is taking due care to the observations/recommendations of the 5th Joint Review Mission on MDM Scheme, 2013-14.

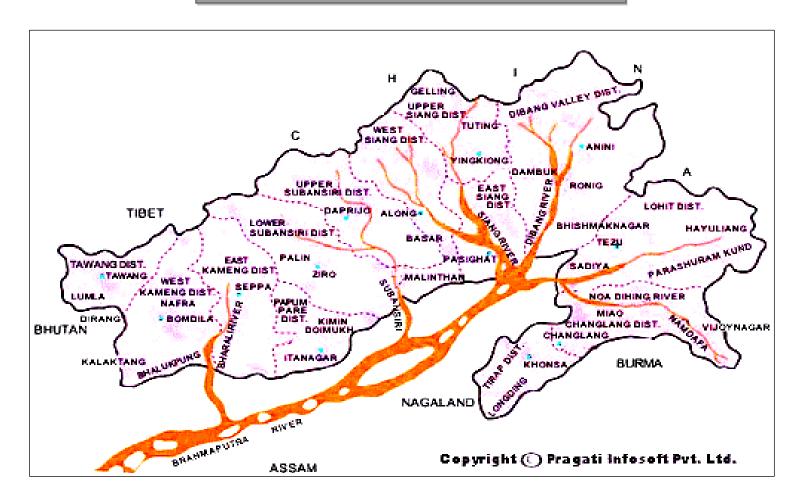
I am thankful to the Chief Secretary L all the members of State level Steering-cum-Monitoring Committee for giving fruitful inputs into the AWP L B, 2014-15 and approving the final draft in the SLSMC meeting held at Itanagar on 21.02.2014 for submission to MHRD, GoI.

I am thankful to every member of the state executive committee who shared his/her rich experience with the nodal department for successful planning of the MDM programme.

Itanagar February 21,2014

> (R.K., Mishra)IAS Secretary (Education) Government of Arunachal Pradesh Itanagar

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Introduction

1.1 Brief History

Arunachal Pradesh is situated on the extreme North-East extremity of India in the Trans-Himalayan region between the latitude 26°28° to 29°30° N and longitude 91°30° to 97°30° E with an area of 83,743 sq. km. and has a long international border with Bhutan to the West (160 Kms), China to the North and North-East (1080 Kms) and Myanmar to the East (440 Kms).

This beautiful land of rising sun was popularly known as NEFA (North-East Frontier Agency) till January 21, 1972. It was administered by the President of India through the Governor of Assam acting as his Agent. NEFA attained the status of Union Territory from 21st January, 1972 under the provision of the North-Eastern Areas (Re-organization Act of 1971) with the new name of ARUNACHAL PRADESH under the charge of a Chief Commissioner with its Headquarters at Shillong, the capital of the State of Meghalaya. From 15th August, 1975 this Union Territory was endowed with a Legislative Assembly having Chief Minister with a cabinet of four Ministers to assist the Lieutenant Governor appointed on the same day as the Administrator of the union Territory. The first General Election to the 30 member Arunachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly was held in 1978, constituting a landmark in the political history of the Territory. The Headquarters of this Union Territory was then shifted from Shillong to the newly constructed capital complex at Itanagar under Subansiri District in 1974. Arunachal Pradesh had attained the status of a State on 20 February, 1987.

Till May 1980, Arunachal Pradesh consisted of five districts; thereafter numbers of districts were added after passing of the Arunachal Pradesh Reorganization of Districts Acts, 1980, thus there are seventeen districts at present in the State, namely, Tawang, West Kameng, East Kameng, Papum Pare, Kurung Kumey, Lower Subansiri, Upper Subansiri, West Siang, East Siang, Upper Siang, Dibang Valley, Lower Dibang Valley, Lohit, Anjaw, Changlang, Tirap & Longding.

Arunachal Pradesh is the land of down-lit mountains. It is a land of lush green forests, deep river valleys and beautiful plateaus. The land is mostly mountainous with Himalayan ranges along the northern borders criss-cross with mountain ranges running north-south which divide the state into five major river valleys, viz., the Kameng, the Subansiri, the Siang, the Lohit and the Tirap. The mightiest amongst the rivers is the Siang, known as Tsangpo in Tibet and Brahmaputra after it is joined by the rivers Dibang and the Lohit in the plains of Assam.

The state is situated in the great Himalayan ranges with height ranging from 900 ft to 14000 ft height at Sela Pass. Arunachal Pradesh is blessed with breath takingly beautiful hilly terrains; deep gorges beautiful valleys and plateaus, dense and lush green forests with unique varieties of flora and fauna. It has numerous natural lakes, and rich mineral resources. The climate is highly humid in lower altitude and extremely cold in higher altitude. The annual average rainfall is about 35cms. The landslides and floods are natural phenomena occur in hilly and foothill region during summer monsoons.

Arunachal Pradesh is a thinly populated State in the country. As per 2011 Census, the population of this landlocked State is 1382611, of which males are 720232 and that of females

662379 with density of population of 17 persons per Sq.Km.and the sex ration of 920 and decadal growth rate of 25.92 percent.

Arunachal is a home of 26 major indigenous tribes and 110 sub-tribes and minor tribes each having distinctive tradition and culture, custom and language and thus this hilly State is predominantly inhabited by tribal population belonging to Indo-Mongoloid group.

On the basis of socio-religious affinities, the people inhabiting in the land can be placed under three broad cultural groups. First group consists of Monpas and Sherdukpen. Monpas inhabiting high mountain ranges bordering China and follow the Mahayana sect of Buddhism, whereas, the Khamptis follow the Hinayana sect of Buddhism.

The second group consists of Mijis, Akas, Nyishis, Tagins, Apatanis, Adis, Mishimis etc. believe in Donyi Polo - the Sun and Moon. Their religious worship goes with the phases of agricultural cycles.

The third group consists of Nocktes, Wangchos, Tangsas and Tutsas of Changlang and Tirap district. The Nocktes practices the elementary form of Vaishnavism and Tangas worship their God in Rang Frah Mandir. Now a day, some Arunachalees have also adapted Christianity. The different tribal groups have a rich tradition of their own colorful festivals like Lossar, Nyokum, Dree, Boori-Boot, Si-Donyi, Mopin, Solung, Reh, Tamaaladu, Sangken, Chalo-Loku, Oriah, etc.

The economy of Arunachal Pradesh mainly depends on agriculture and its allied activities. The practice of Jhum cultivation prevalent amongst the tribes of the state and while terrace cultivation predominant in undulating plateaus and wet rice cultivation in the plains of foothills. Rice, maize, finger millets, potatoes, ginger etc. are the major agricultural crops of the state.

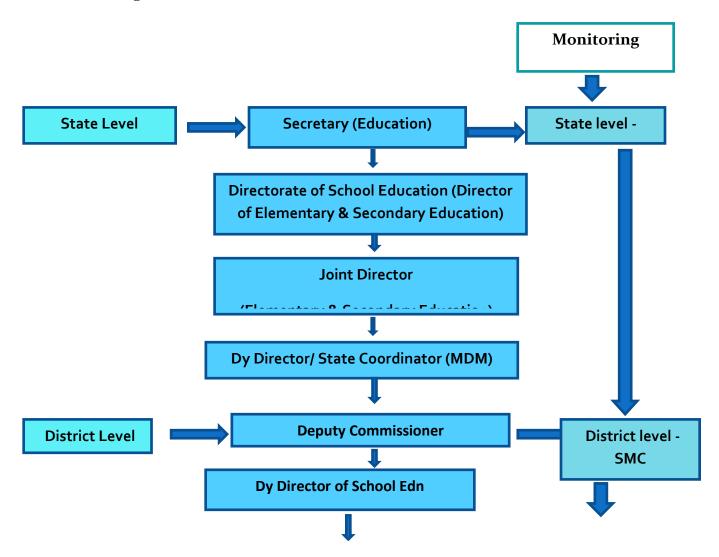
Although Arunachal Pradesh is thinly and sparsely populated state but it is rich in flora and fauna. Vast natural resources are available for generating electricity through hydel-power. The State is also rich in mineral resources which are being extracted now. The entire State is hilly with difficult terrain and number of turbulent rivers and rivulets which pose constant problems for smooth running of surface communication.

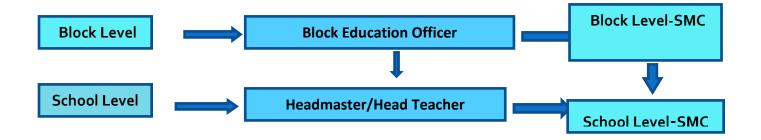
The difficult terrain, communication bottleneck, long distance among small and scattered villages and over and above the unfavorable weather conditions are main handicaps in launching of a large scale gigantic type of scheme like Mid Day Meal in the State.

The road transport is the main mode of transportation in the state. It connects district headquarters with the State Capital of Itanagar. Helicopter service plays important role in the most remote areas where there is no road connectivity between district headquarters and remote administrative circle headquarters. Such places take five to seven days foot march to reach the destinations.

The Secretary/Commissioner (Education) is the Head of Department of Education and Directors are the Heads of Offices of the Elementary Education and Secondary Education and Higher & Technical Education in the State. The Deputy Directors of School Education (DDSE) are the Heads of offices of Education at the district level. The Block Education Officers (BEO) is the supervisory officers at Block Levels.

1.2. Management Structure of MDM – Arunachal Pradesh





Education Profile:

The Arunachal Pradesh is one of the youngest amongst the North - Eastern States, which gained National attention after 1962. As a result, the literacy scenario of this state is far behind the rest of the nation. The state has attained substantial progress in the field of education and literacy. Much has to be done to bring it at par with the national average.

Literacy Rates by sex: 2001 & 2011

Year	Percei	Gender Gap		
	Persons	Male	Female	
2001	54.34	63.83	43.53	20.3
2011	66.95	73.69	59.57	14.12

Source: Census of India (Provision), 2011

Arunachal Pradesh is having different categories of schools. They are catering to the need of the children in age group 6-14 years and 15-18 years. Details are given as under:

Number of Educational Institutions

Sl.No.	Category of School	All	State Govt	Govt	Central	Pvt UA
		Management		Aided		
1	Community School/EGS Centers	155	155	0	0	0
2	Primary Schools	2185	1983	12	0	190
3	Upper Primary School	969	824	3	5	137
4	Secondary School	229	141	20	14	54
5	Higher Secondary School	122	90	8	8	8
	Total	3660	3193	43	27	389

Source: Directorate of Elementary Education, December, 2013

Sl.No.	Stage	Govt + LB	GA	EGS/AIE/CS	Total
1	Primary	178195	9047	5604	192846
2	Upper Primary	68350	5475	0	73825
	Total	246545	14522	5604	266671

Enrolm ent of student

s (All Management):

Sl.No	Stage	All Management	State Govt	Govt Aided	Others
1	Community School/NRST Centers	5604	5604	0	0
2	Primary	225052	178195	9047	37810
3	Upper Primary	99995	68350	5475	26170
4	Secondary	51036	40878	8134	2024
5	Hr.Secondary	33632	29462	728	3442
	Total	415319	322489	23384	69446

Source: Directorate of Elementary Education, December, 2013

No. of Institutions covered under MDM during 2013-14

Sl.No.	Stage	Govt + LB	GA	CS/NRSTC	Total
1	Primary	2107	27	155	2284
2	Upper Primary	1014	41	0	1055
	Total	3121	68	155	3339

Source: Directorate of Elementary Education, December, 2013

No. of children covered under MDM during 2013-14

Source: Directorate of Elementary Education, December, 2013

Rationale of Mid-Day Meal (MDM) Scheme

Mid-Day Meal in schools has had a long history in India. In 1995, first Mid-Day Meal programme was introduced for disadvantaged children in Madras Municipal Corporation. By mid 1980 three States, viz. Gujarat, Kerala and Tamil Nadu had universalized a cooked mid-day meal programme with their own resources for children studying at the primary stage. By 1990-91, the number of States implementing the MDM programme with their own resources had increased significantly. The National Programme of Nutritional Support to Primary Education (NP-NSPE) was launched as a Centrally Sponsored Scheme on 15th August'1995 in 2408 blocks in the country. By the year 1997-98, the NP-NSPE was introduced in all blocks of the country. It was further extended in 2003-04 to cover not only children in class: I – V in Government, Government Aided and Local Body Schools but also the children studying in centers run under Education Guarantee Scheme, Alternative Innovative Education and Community Schools. With a view to enhance enrolment, retention and simultaneously improving nutritional levels among children, the scheme has been

extended to cover Upper Primary children studying in class: VI-VIII in Government, Aided and Local Body schools in the year 2007-08. To-day, the NP-NSPE is the world's largest school feeding programme reaching out to 12 crores children across the country.

In Arunachal Pradesh, the MDM Scheme covers now 192846 and 73825 schools going children enrolled in Primary and Upper Primary level during 2013-14. The MDM Programme was first launched in the State on 15th August, 1995 in five districts with the rest of States of Indian Union. Initially only raw rice was provided to the children, but from 2003-04 onwards, in addition to food grains, the Central Government began to provide two other major components,viz. cost of cooking and provision of essential infrastructure in order to serve hot cooked meals to the children as per the Directives of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.

Objectives

The programme seeks to address two of the most pressing problems for the majority of the school children viz. hungry and education by:

- Improving the nutritional status of children of class I-VIII in Government, Local Body and Government Aided Schools and Special Training Centers and Community Schools;
- Encouraging poor children belonging to disadvantaged section (ST/SC), to attend school more regularly and help them to concentrate on class-room (activities by eliminating class-room hunger);
- Providing nutritional support to Primary stage in drought affected areas during summer vacation;
- Fostering equality among the different socio-economical groups and narrow the gender gap.

1.3. Process of Plan Formulation

The success of any programme depends upon the proper planning and implementation. Since Mid-Day Meal is a decentralized scheme and therefore the planning process starts from the village /school level. For effective planning, the core planning team needs to be formed at school level to state level for the year 2013-14. Accordingly, the planning teams at different levels consisting of experienced and eminent persons from different sections of the society with proper representation from women groups have been formed as follows:

School/Village Level:

The School Management Committee (SMC) headed by a Gaon Burah/PRI member of the village is formed in all schools/ villages. The members are selected from the common public, Panchayati Raj Members, Women Group, PTA, MTA and teachers. The SMC after conducting a participatory meeting has decided and focused various proposals for the educational developments of their habitations, to the block committee.

Block Level

At the block level, a committee headed by the Administrative Officer has been constituted at respective block. Under his control the BEO works as members – Secretary for the Planning and Implementation of MDM Programme in the block. The block level members are selected from educationists, Panchayati Raj Members, Women, NGO and teachers. After collecting the village plans, the block level committee has convened a meeting for compilation and finalization of the block level plan. After compilation of block plan it was submitted to the district.

District Level

At district level, a planning committee has been formed under the Chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner of the district. The Dy. Director of School Education is the Nodal Officer of the MDM programme. The members have been selected from heads of Department, Principals, Headmasters Hr Sec/Sec, Block Education Officer, Principal DIET, Zilla Parishad Members, Women activist etc. The district plan is compiled on the basis of block plans after conducting a meeting for finalization of the District Annual Work Plan and Budget (MDM) Scheme, 2013-14.

State Level

At state level, a planning team has been formed under the Chairmanship of Commissioner (Education), Director of Elementary Education as Nodal Officer with 16 Dy Director of School Education & Block Education Officers (BEOs) of 16 districts and Dy Director of School Education (MDM) SHQ as members. This planning team after careful checking and analyzing of various aspects of district plans, the State Draft Annual Work Plan and Budget, 2013-14 for MDM Scheme was prepared. After preparation of the plan it was presented to the State Level Steering cum Monitoring Committee (Executive Committee) of MDM Programme and got it approval.

Collection of DISE Data

For collection of data at various levels, micro planning process has been taken up in the districts. During the micro planning process, the BEOs, BRCCs/CRCCs and teachers were engaged in for collection of data at all schools with regard to 6-14 age group children enrolled in various educational institutions and actual number of schools: Govt, Local Body, Govt Aided and EGS and AIE Centers including Community Schools under State Plan which have been availing benefits of MDM.

At block level, the information / data so collected from various schools were compiled manually and have been used for preparing block plan.

Although, the data collection process of MDM DISE was completed by the month September 2013, due to want of capacity building, the computerization of DISE data at district level, could not be completed. The data required for planning purpose was obtained through the manual compilation at block level. Then it was further compiled at district level and used for preparing the district AWP & B 2013-14. In addition to this, the district data available from various sources like figures of census 2011, the school based data of DSE's office, etc were also used for formulation of a realistic Annual work Plan & Budget 2013-14 for MDM Scheme of both Districts and State. UDISE is yet to be finalized and thus there may likely variations in data on enrolment of children at different stages.

The training of BEOs/District coordinators (MDM)/Data Entry Operators (MDM) on data entry into MDM web portal was held on 20th Septemebr'2013 and again an orientation programme on data entry on MDM web portal on 8th & 9th October, 2013, in which Mr. Amol Jawale, Chief Consultant, Ed.Cil, MHRD, imparted the training and also an orientation/workshop of District coordinators/Data Entry Operators on formulation of planning process was held on 15th & 16th November, 2013 at State HQs Bharat Scouts & Guides, Polo Colony, Naharlagun.

The man power requirements for Management Information System of MDM at the State/District level have been strengthened with the appointment of the following supporting staff as given under:

At Directorate level

i) Programmer
i) Data Entry Operator
ii) Contingency peon (Grade-IV staff)
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At District level

i) Data entry Operator : 17 (for 17 districts)

ii) Contingency peon (Grade-IV staff) : Nil

The supporting staff (Data Entry Operator) requirements for Management Information System of MDM at the Block level during the financial year is as under

At Block level

i) Data Entry Operator : 98 (98 Blocks)

The planning process at District booklet (Annual Work Plan and Budget)	and	State	level	has	been	documented	properly	in form of

In order to ensure the effective implementation, the following Monitoring and Vigilance Committees are hereby constituted for strict monitoring of mid day meals in schools in the State to prevent a tragedy like Bihar. Further, the committees will take all possible steps to prevent any untoward incidents and to strictly monitor distribution of the meals and ensure quality. The chairman of the vigilance committee meetings would be Member of Parliament.

The Monitoring and Vigilance Committees at District, Block and School levels are:

1. <u>District Monitoring & Vigilance Committee</u>

i.Member of Parliament:Chairmanii.Deputy Commissioner:Member

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iii. Dy Director of School Education : Member

iv. District Medical Officer : Member

v. District Agriculture Officer : Member

vi. Child Development Programme Officer : Member

vii.Zila Parishad Member Chairperson: Memberviii.Principal of GHSS to be nominated by DC: Member

It will conduct meeting quarterly to review the implementation of the scheme. It will also prepare a contingency plan for Health Centers - linkage with School Health Programme to ensure preparedness for any emergency situation.

2. Block Monitoring & Vigilance Committee

i. SDO/EAC/CO
 ii. Block Education Officer
 iii. CDPO
 iv. PRI member to be nominated by Chairman
 v. Principal/Headmaster to be nominated by chairman

It will conduct meeting monthly to review the implementation of the scheme.

3. School Level Committee

i. Headmaster/Principal
 ii. a teacher to be nominated by HM
 iii. a member of SMC
 iv. a Cook
 iii. Member
 iii. Member
 iii. Member
 iii. Member

The members must taste the food/meals before serving it to the students every meal day and reports on tasting of meals are recorded in the school meal register. It will conduct meeting monthly to review the implementation aspects.

4. <u>Storage Verification Committee:</u>

i. School Management Committee will thoroughly verify the storage of foodgrains and other items monthly and submit its report to the Block Education Officer for follow up action at the Block and District level committee meetings.

- ii. The District/Block level Committee will initiate verification of foodgrains (rice) stock at FCI godowns at District/Block HQs before lifting or delivery to the implementing levels. Rice must be of Fair Average Quality as per MDM Guidelines.
- iii. Making ISI- certified oil and salt must be used for cooking.

The Education Department is initiating the Testing of nutrition value of food /food items being daily served to the students with Nutritionists and Testing through the Sri Ram

Chapter – 2

Description and assessment of the programme implemented in the current year (2012-13) and proposal for next year (2013-14) with reference to:

2.1. Regularity and wholesomeness of mid - day meals served to children; reasons for programme interruptions, if any and planning to minimize them.

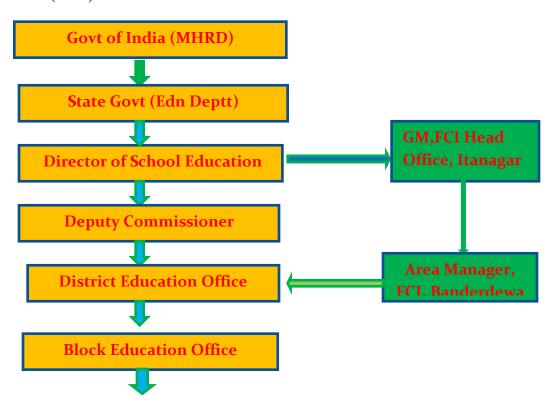
Mid-Day Meal Programme was implemented smoothly in all the 17 districts across the State of Arunachal Pradesh during the current academic session 2013-14. Cooked meals were served to all eligible students in **3344 out of 3339 Primary and Upper Primary schools** regularly for 159 working days till 31st December, 2013. Sometime, the regularity of programme implementation was interrupted due to disruption of road communication or non-availability of foodgrains stocks at FCI base depots. Despite this adverse situation, the school authorities with SMCs did yeoman service in providing the mid day meals to students by local arrangement of foodgrains, nutritional items, etc.

- 2.2. There are no NCLP schools in Arunachal Pradesh.
- 2.3. Food grains management, including adequacy of allocation, timeliness of lifting, transportation and distribution and suitability of storage at different levels. Challenges faces and plan to overcome them.

Food grains (Rice) have been allocated free of cost to the State Government by Govt of India for the period from April '2013 to March,2014 for 220 school meal days for implementation of cooked mid-day meal programme both at Primary and Upper Primary Stages. Thereafter foodgrains are sub-allocated to the districts, blocks and schools proportionate to number of eligible students and number of school working days in accordance with PAB of Mid Day Meal scheme for the years. The Food Corporation of India (FCI) Regional Office, Itanagar and its Area Manager, District Office, Banderdewa, in Arunachal Pradesh are the nodal department to release foograins to the respective District Administration for lifting of foodgrains in time by the district nodal agency (District Education Department. This year there is report of smooth lifting and distribution of food grains from FCI base depots to districts, blocks and school level. Buffer stock was maintained in almost all schools except few remotely located schools near Indo-China border areas.

Hence, the allocation and flow of foodgrains are shown in the Flow Chart.

Flow of Food Grains (Rice)



School (SMC)

The following schedule of lifting of foodgrains and submission of FCI bill has been introduced for timely and efficient release of funds by the Department of School Education during the Financial Year 2013-14.

Tentative Schedule for Drawing & Lifting of Foodgrains (Rice) under MDM, 2013-14

SI.No.	Activity	1 st Quarter	2 nd Quarter	3 rd Quarter	4 th Quarter
1	Drawing & Lifting of	1-25 th of	1-25 th of July,	1-25 th of October,	1-25 th of
	foodgrains from FCI Depots	June, 2013*	2013	2013	January, 2014
2	Submission Bills by FCI	15 th of July, 2013	15 th of August'2013	15 th of November, 2013	15 th of February'2014

^{* 45} days summer vacation from 16.04.2013 to 31.05.2014.

Note:

- i. District Nodal Department (Education) will draw/lift foodgrains as per the above schedule.
- ii. The FCI Authority of the FCI Regional Office, Itanagar will intimate to the Nodal Department (Education) about non-availability of foodgrains stock in its Depots/Principal Distribution Centers well in advance.
- iii. Release Order (RO) for drawing foodgrains from FCI base depots should be issued for Primary and Upper Primary stages separately for respective districts.

- iv. Separate bills for cost of foodgrains raised against Primary & Upper Primary stages of respective districts should be submitted to the Directorate of Elementary Education, Itanagar as per above time schedule.
- v. The above tentative schedules for drawing/lifting of foodgrains will also be followed in the next financial year.

The District Administration ensured that the quality of food grains which will be in any case not less than Fair Average Quality (FAQ) are lifted from FCI depot(s). A team, consisting of an officer from district administration, an officer from Education and an official from FCI depot at district level, has been constituted to check quality at FCI depot before lifting of food grains. There is acute shortage of storage at district and block levels and thus foodgrains are to be stored in rented buildings before distribution to the respective schools. Transportation of foodgrains from district to blocks/schools by road tends to be disrupted during summer owing to landslides in hilly areas and floods in foothills. In such situations, transportation of foodgrains has to be carried on by head load up to schools by laborers. So, the cost of transportation includes incidental head load charges from road /transshipment point to schools. The Transportation Cost of foodgrains from FCI depots to schools is proposed to enhance from flat rate of Rs.2600/- per Metric Tone (MT) to Rs.5200/- per MT during financial year 2014-15 as it could not be enhanced due to technical constraints. Separate proposal for enhancement of transport assistance for the financial year 2014-15 will be submitted to the Ministry of HRD within May, 2014.

The lifting of foodgrains and aggregate consumption in schools as on 31.12.2013 is as under:

PRIMARY: [Qnty in MT]

SI.No.	District	Foodgrains Allocation for FY 2013-14	Quantity Lifting	Utilized at Schools as on 31.12.2013
1	Tawang	99.2	71.67	66.86
2	West Kameng	172.15	124.34	114.21
3	East Kameng	241.8	174.3	172.72
4	Papum Pare	620.93	446.5	395.66
5	Kurung Kumey	296.1	215.01	220.81
6	Lower Subansiri	217.84	157.27	171.88
7	Upper Subansiri	403.04	288.4	278.68
8	West Siang	452.47	328.21	313.59
9	East Siang	319.95	229.78	210.85
10	Upper Siang	112.22	80.6	76.16
11	Lower Dibang Valley	194.28	137.03	138.27
12	Dibang Valley	31.11	22.34	14.56
13	Lohit	394.94	281.64	283.59
14	Anjaw	87.69	62.98	62.85
15	Changlang	389.51	279.73	280.91
16	Tirap	300.04	214.86	81.22
17	Longding	0	0	121.48
	Total	4333.27	3114.66	3004.3

UPPER PRIMARY:

[Qnty in MT]

SI.No.	District	Foodgrains Allocation for FY 2013-14	Quantity Lifting	Utilized at Schools as on 31.12.2013
1	Tawang	36.47	26.19	26.26
2	West Kameng	104.12	74.78	75.75
3	East Kameng	119.99	86.17	85.97
4	Papum Pare	326.83	234.72	255.12
5	Kurung Kumey	149.85	107.62	107.65
6	Lower Subansiri	106.79	76.69	90.27
7	Upper Subansiri	137.94	99.07	101.96
8	West Siang	238.1	170.67	172.08
9	East Siang	211.23	152.98	141.38
10	Upper Siang	66.4	47.68	47.89
11	Lower Dibang Valley	98.8	70.96	71.93
12	Dibang Valley	10.96	7.13	7.78
13	Lohit	271.56	195.02	195
14	Anjaw	35.61	25.57	25.46
15	Changlang	235.79	167.34	172.33
16	Tirap	141.34	101.38	59.6
17	Longding	0	0	67.19
•	Total	2291.78	1643.97	1703.62

Consolidated lifting and utilization of foodgrains as on 31.12.2013.

[Qnty in MT]

Year	Stage	Foodgrains Allocation for April to Dec, 2013	Food grains Lifting	Utilized at schools as on 31/12/2013	% Utilization to allocation
2013-14	Primary	4333.27	3114.66	3004.3	69.33
2013-14	U/Primary	2291.78	1643.97	1703.62	74.34

Total 6625.05 4758.63 4707.92 71.06

2.4. System for payment of cost of food grains to FCI. Status of pending bills of FCI of the previous years.

The aggregate quantity of foodgrains utilization at upper primary stage is more than that of the quantity of foodgrains lifted. The main reason for this mismatch was due to sufficient maintenance of buffer foodgrains stock at schools. However, the aggregate quantity of foodgrains utilization at primary stage is less than that of the quantity of foodgrains lifted was due to less quantity of lifting of foodgrains in Lower Dibang Valley in 2nd quarter, 2013-14. Therefore, the total quantity of foodgrains utilization from April to December, 2013 for 159 days is 4707.92 MTs and actual lifting of foodgrains as per stock availability is 4758.63 MTs (Primary & U.Primary) as such there is sufficient quantity of foodgrains at school level as a buffer stock.

The Food Corporation of India is appreciated for providing food grains under Mid Day Meal for without any interruption in any quarter during the year. This has, in fact, helped the district administration to implement the scheme smoothly and effectively.

Payment of cost of foograins towards FCI bills up to 31.12.2013:

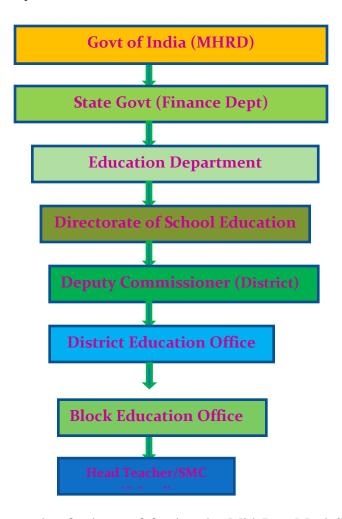
Stage	Bill raised by FCI		Payment to FCI		
	Quantity (n MTs) Amoun (RS in 1		Quantity (in MTs)	Amount (Rs. in lakhs)	
Primary	3114.66	175.98	2717.16	153.52	
Upper Primary	1643.97	92.88	1256.99	71.02	
Total	4758.63	268.86	3974.15	224.54	

Payment towards foograins cost against bills raised by FCI was made up to 3rd Quarter'2013-14 at the Directorate of School Education at Itanagar and remaining bills will be cleared during the current financial year soon after release of fund for 2nd installment of 2013-14. There is no any pending liability towards cost of foodgrains of previous years.

2.5. System for release of funds provided under cooking costs (Central and State). Please indicate the dates when the fund was released to Directorate/State Authority, District/Block/Gram Panchayats and finally to the Cooking Agency/School.

The fund under cooking cost from Govt of India and 10 percent of the State matching share is combinely obtained for budgetary support /concurrence from the State Finance Department (FD) before the fund is released to the disposal of Dy Director of School Education (DDSE) of concerned districts. This cumbersome process of obtaining budgetary support and concurrence/expenditure sanction from the State Finance Department takes 2-3 months period which causes delay in releasing of fund to the districts/sub-districts and schools/SMC. The department has placed the proposal to the State Finance Department for introduction of Green Channel Scheme of Andhra Pradesh and the decision of the State Government is awaited.

The flow of fund provided under Mid Day Meal through treasury mode is as under: **Fund Flow System**



The mode of release of fund under Mid Day Meal Scheme involves lengthy Government procedure which affects timely releases of fund to the implementing agencies. Another problem in the transfer of fund to school level is non-availability of banking facilities in remote areas. Commercial banks are located in the district headquarters only.

2.6. **Information in Mandatory Table (AT-24):**

The release of fund from State to Directorate/District/Block/School level for 2013-14 is as under:

[Rs. in lakh]

SI. No	Installment /Component	Amount	Date of receivin g funds by	Status of Releasing of funds by the State Date on which Block/School received funds			ool nds		
			the State	Directorate Authority Date Amount		District Amount		School Date Amoun	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
(A) Re	(A) Recurring Assistance								
1	Adhoc Grant (25%)	819.17	08.05.13	13.08.13	819.17	20.08.13	819.17	05.09.13	819.17
2	Balance of 1st Installment	1147.01	25.08.13	13.12.13	1147.01	09.01.14	1147.01	15.01.14	1147.01

3	2 nd Installment.	1312.08	15.12.13	-	1312.08	-	1312.08	-	1312.08
(B) Non-Recurring Assistance									
4	Kitchen-cum-store	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	R/Kitchen Devices	60.1	25.08.13	-	60.1	-	60.1	-	60.1

The Dy Director of School Education of the concerned districts then further sub-allocated the fund towards cooking cost to the Principal/Headmaster/Teacher In charge of concerned school through the Block Level Education Officer, namely, Block Education Officer (BEO). The BEO further disburses the fund to the concerned school authority under his/her jurisdiction and the School Management Committee (SMC) ultimately utilizes the fund for providing hot cooked meals to its children as per prescribed menu.

Owing to cumbersome procedures for obtaining necessary budgetary support and concurrence/expenditure sanction of Central Assistance from the State Finance Department, it takes much time in releasing funds to the Directorate/ Districts/Block/Schools level. In order to avoid such delays/interruptions, the Mid Day Meal Scheme should be allowed to adopt the Society Mode of fund transaction like other flagship programmes of SSA/RMSA.

Central Assistance/State matching share received towards cooking costs and utilization for the period from 01/04/2013–31/12/2013.

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl.No.	Year	Stage	Fund received			Fund	Total
			Central	State	Total	Released	Expdr.
1	2013-14	Primary	776.18	85.27	861.45	861.45	991.67
2		U/Primary	404.98	45.02	450.00	450.00	650.65
Total			1181.16	130.29	1311.45	1311.45*	1642.32**

^{*}Under the process of budgetary support & concurrence of the State Finance Deptt.

2.7. System and mode of payment of honorarium to cook cum helpers and implementing agencies viz. NGOs/SHGs/Trust/Centralized kitchen, etc.

Honorarium to cook cum helpers is paid in cash through Acquaintance Roll by BEO/HM of concerned Block/school. Banks are located only at district headquarters and thus it is not possible for the poor cook to open bank account in the district headquarters.

There are no any implementing agencies like NGOs/SHGs/Trust/Centralized kitchen, etc in Arunachal Pradesh. School Education Department is the nodal implementing agency of Mid Day Meal Scheme in the state.

Status of payment of Honorarium to Cook cum Helpers for the year 2013-14 is Rs. 546.68 lakh upto 3rd Quarter'2013-14 through Acquaintance Roll by BEO/HM of concerned Block/school. Opening of bank account by individual cook cum helpers has been taken up by the district education office where there is feasible with banking facility available.

^{**} Actual expenditure as per no.of meals served upto 31.12.2013.

2.8. System for procuring cooking ingredients (pulses, vegetables including leafy ones,salt,condiments,oil and fuel,etc) commodities which are centrally purchased and supplied to schools or locally purchased at school level.

Break up of nutrition content and cost of meal per child per day as per State Nutrition/Expenditure norm including Central Assistance and Sate contribution (unit cost) for Primary and Upper Primary stage as under MDM proposed for 2014-15 as under:

A: Primary (for 2014-15)

Sl. No.	Food Item	Quantity (in grams)	Cost of quantity recommended (in Rs)	Calories	Protein content (in grams)
1	Food grains (Rice)	100	Free of cost	310	6
2	Pulses	20	1.40	70	6
3	Vegetables (in leafy	50	1.00	25	0
4	Oil & fat	5	0.45	45	0
5	Salt & condiments	As per need	0.16	0	0
6	Fuel	As per need	0.58	0	0
7	Labor & other administrative charges	0	0	0	0
	Total	0	3.59	450	12

B: Upper Primary

Sl. No.	Food Item	Quantity (in grams)	Cost of quantity recommended (in Rs)	Calories	Protein content (in grams)
1	Food grains (Rice)	150	Free of cost	535	8
2	Pulses	30	2.05	105	12
3	Vegetables (in leafy	75	2.05	43	0
4	Oil & fat	7.5	0.52	67	0
5	Salt & condiments	As per need	0.16	0	0
6	Fuel	As per need	0.60	0	0
7	Labor & other administrative charges	0	0	0	0
	Total	0	5.38	750	20

Procurement of cooking ingredients like pulses, vegetables, oil, salt & condiments are done locally by school authority in consultation with SMC members and as per rate prescribed for cooking cost per child per day under MDM Guidelines. Many far flung schools have to purchase cooking ingredient items like pulses, oil, salt and condiments from local shops costlier than market prices at district headquarters. So, schools in far flung areas purchase local produce like green vegetables.

Weekly Menu: Suggested Weekly Menu for the Financial Year 2013-14:

Sl.No	Day	Menu
1	Monday	Rice,Dal, Green vegetables, one Egg
2	Tuesday	Khichri with green leafy vegetables
3	Wednesday	Rice, Dal, Green vegetables, fruit, one Egg
4	Thursday	Khichri with green leafy vegetables

5	Friday	Rice,Dal, Green vegetables, one Egg, fruit
6	Saturday	Khichri with green leafy vegetables

2.9 System for cooking, serving and supervising mid day meals in the school and measures to prevent any untoward happening.

Cooking and serving of meals to children from classes I - VIII in schools are arranged by cook cum helpers under the supervision of Head Teacher/ Teacher in charge (MDM). Occasionally SMC/ PRI members/ MTA also visit the school during mid day meal serving hours.

Precautionary measures/steps have been taken to prevent occurrence of fire accident and food poison. Every step is taken up to maintain neat and clean while serving meals and make aware the child of keeping self- hygienic and health care. Proper storage of food grains is also taken into utmost consideration at school. Training on capacity building /workshop on cooking /health and hygiene and safety measures are imparted to cook cum helpers during the beginning the academic session of the year.

2.10. Procedure for getting Kitchen shed constructed.

A total number of 4084 kitchen sheds were constructed in the year 2006-07 to 2008-09 at a flat rate Rs. 60000 per kitchen shed. The kitchen sheds were constructed with locally available materials by the local people of the villages under the supervision of district education authority and SMC members.CGI sheets were procured centrally in order to ensure quality. So, kitchen sheds have been constructed in all eligible schools during 2006-07 to 2008-09. The Govt of India accorded sanction an amount of Rs.44.00 lakh for construction of kitchen cum store during 2011-12 which has been re - appropriated for replacement of kitchen devices in the financial year 2012-13. This amount had already been utilized in the same year.

Old kitchen sheds are required for renovation/maintenance. The proposal for fund provision under the State plan for maintenance of old existing kitchen cum stores has been submitted to the State Government of Arunachal Pradesh.

2.11. Procedure of procurement of kitchen devices from (i) funds released under the Mid Day Meal Programme (ii) other sources.

(i) Fund released under MDM Programme during 2013-14:

Physical : 1202 schools Financial : 60.10 lakhs

(ii) Other sources: No fund was received from other sources for procurement of school kitchen devices during the year 2013-14.

Fund received from Govt of India for replacement of kitchen devices @ Rs.5000/- per school has been placed at the disposal of Dy Director of School Education (DDSE) of the concerned district to procure/purchase at district/school as per convenience by observing all codal formalities.

2.12. Capacity building and training conducted for different categories of persons involved in the Mid Day Meal Programme.

All Dy Directors of School Education and Block Education Officers (BEOs) MDM of 16 districts have been given capacity building and orientation training programme on community mobilization in regard to implementation of the flagship programme of Mid Day Meal across the State in the month of June, 2013; on maintenance of transparency/accountability and on monitoring and evaluation in October, 2013 and on process of plan formulation on 25th -31st January'2014 at State HQ, Bharat Scouts & Guides, Polo Colony, Naharlagun in order to evolve a realistic implementation strategy. 16 (Sixteen) District Coordinators (MDM) and 45 Block Education Officers (BEOs) who are the field functionaries involving in the implementation of the Mid Day Meal Scheme along with State Coordinators attended the workshop/orientation training programme on MDM on 16th -17th January'2014 at Itanagar.

At the district level, the district education officers (DDSE/BEO) and faculty of DIET imparted training to teachers and community schools and cook cum helpers on supervision, cooking and serving meals and cleanliness aspect and preventive measures against any human error that may cause irreparable event to life of children in school.

The cooks- cum - helpers engaged in schools for cooking meals were imparted basic training on cooking process/procedures/ health & hygiene and safety measures at block/cluster levels by the educational functionaries of the districts/state.

2.13. Management Information System at School, Village/Gram Panchayats, Block, District and State Level.

MIS under MDMS at district level is poorly equipped due to insufficient staffing/dealing hands. BEO (MDM) is the only official in DDSE's office in the district to undertake various works relating to implementation of MDM programme. Single hand compilation and computerization of data become major hardship. Most of the relevant data are computed with the help of DISE coordinators of Statistical Branch of Directorate of School Education. All DDSEs have been given instructions to disseminate the importance of MIS to all Head Teachers /Headmasters to maintain up to date school based data so that a single channel data flow takes place. Flow of information in the form of Monthly/Quarterly Progress Report from school to district, then to State are normally delayed due to communication bottleneck or road connectivity.

The School Education Department is initiating to strengthen the MDM-MIS during Financial Year 2013-14 at the Directorate/District office to ensure-

- Effective and de-centralized planning process based on relevant and useful data.
- Smooth and timely flow of food grains and cooking assistance.
- Prompt information about food grain and fund utilization.
- Timely and automatic report generation.
- Transparency and wider dissemination of information on implementation of MDMS.
- Better Inventory control.
- Provision for display of information under RTI Act on daily menu and others.
- Provision for Hardware and Software at State and District level.
- Introduction of Interactive Voice Recording System in the line of Uttar Pradesh model with the assistance of MHRD, Govt.of of India.

Hence, the State proposes for engagement of supporting staff /Data Entry Operator for 98 Block Education Office for smooth functioning of MIS at block level.

2.14. Systems to ensure transparency and openness in all aspects of programme implementation, including inter alia, food grains management, ingredients procurement, cooking and serving, appointment of cooking staff, construction of kitchen sheds and procurement of cooking devices.

Every step is being taken care to maintain transparency and accountability in all aspects of MDM programme implementation at State, District, Block and School Levels. To ensure openness on central assistance provided for food grains, cooking costs, transportation of food grains cost, kitchen sheds, kitchen devices, cook cum helpers etc allotted to respective district is notified/displayed in the office of the Dy Director of School Education and School Notice Board.

Transportation of food grains (Rice) for MDM is carried out directly by the Deputy Commissioner by inviting open tender and the selected carriage contractors are entrusted with the responsibility of transportation of food grains from FCI godown to school.

Construction of kitchen-cum-store is carried out by the SMC or contractor/person assigned by the district authority. Kitchen devices are procured at district level confirming codal formalities.

Cooking ingredients are purchased at school level by school authority and SMC.Engagement of cook cum helpers for each school is made by the district authority level.

2.15. Measures taken to rectify:

- 1) Govt. Order has been issued to lift the Foodgrains in the first half of the first month of each quarter. Monthly lifting of foodgrains is not viable in Arunachal Pradesh as the road communication is very poor and the transportation cost is very high.
- 2) In order to reduce the delay in release of cooking cost, the Department of School Education has been mooting a proposal, as advised by the Govt. of India, for formation of "the State MDM Implementation Society" in the pattern of SSA in the next financial year 2012-13 so that the central assistance could be credited to the society's account directly.
- 3) Inspections and Monitoring of the scheme is being strengthened for successful implementation of the MDM scheme.
- 4) Closer coordination with the Department of Health Service is being initiated to improve the performance under School Health Programme.
- 5) In spite of resource crunch and deficient numbers of man power, Grievance Redressal Cell has been established in all the DHQs and SHQs and complains are being recorded and redressed at the earliest.

2.16. Details of Evaluation studies conducted and summary of its findings:

In addition to External Monitoring and Evaluation Agency, namely, Rajiv Gandhi University, Rono Hills, Doimukh, Arunachal Pradesh, all District Institutes of Education and Training (DIETs) and District Resource Centers (DRCs) and State Institute of Education, Itanagar have been entrusted with Internal Monitoring and Evaluation of the implementation of the Mid Day Meal Programme. Reports of the assessment studies of DIETs are awaited.

2.17. Brief write up on best practices followed in the State:

The MDM programme has reached out to most remote areas even near international borders with a significant scale of community participation in the programme implementation. Even community of the villages rich in horticultural products especially, in West Kameng, West Siang, Upper Siang, East Siang and Lohit districts used to supply fresh fruits like apples, oranges, bananas in nominal cost to schools where production of such items are available seasonally to add delicacy to school's MDM menu. School authorities have taken up to kitchen garden to grow vegetables in the school premises. Washing hands before taking meals is mandatory. The food is tasted before serving. Food is served to each and every child without any social discrimination. Children sit and eat together in orderly manner.

2.18. Instances of unhygienic food serve, children falling ill, sub-standard supplies, diversion/misuse of resources, social discrimination and safety measures adopted to avoid recurrence of such incidents.

- No incidents of unhygienic food served and cases of children falling ill while taking mid day meals have been reported from any school of any district during the period from April,2013 to December 2013.
- District Administration of all 17 districts have constituted committees to supervise and monitor all aspects of MDM programme, especially quality control of food grains supplies at FCI godown, storage of food grains and cooking of meals, cleanliness, safe drinking water, etc. at school level.
- There is no room for the people to practice social discrimination in the tribal society in Arunachal Pradesh. Equality and tolerance prevails in the State.
- The State Government has issued instructions/directives to District Administration to take precautionary steps to avoid fire accidents, food poison, contamination of food, etc in all schools.
- Till December 2013, there was no any report of untoward incidents/accidents occurred with the children having mid day meals in schools across the State of Arunachal Pradesh.
- There is no any report of social discrimination till December, 2013.

2.19. Extent of involvement of NGOs and Civic Body Organizations (CBOs)/PRIs in the implementation and monitoring of the Scheme:

Exception to Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs), School Management Committees, there is no any Non-Governmental Organization (NGO)/Civic Body Organizations (CBOs) has so far involved in the implementation of Mid Day Meal Programme in Arunachal Pradesh. However, the State Government of Arunachal Pradesh is envisaging to devolve the responsibility of implementation of the cooked mid day meal scheme to Panchayat Raj Institutions from the next financial year, 2013-14.

2.20. Status of School Health Programme with special focus on provision of micro-nutrients, Vitamins-A, de-worming medicine, Iron and Folic acid, Zinc and recording of height, weight etc.

The Directorate of Elementary Education has been issuing instructions from time to time to all Dy
Directors of School Education of the districts to organize Medical/Health assessment camps at district
headquarters at least twice a year in convergence with the Department of Health Services/NRHM. As
such School Health Programme has been given due importance under MDM programme in all
districts.

- 88625 children were given health check up in convergence with District Health Services/NRHM by providing de-worming tablets to 7343 children, Vitamin A to 14911 children, Iron/folic acid to 36653 children and distribution of spectacles to 86 children during the period from April to December, 2013.
- The Department of Health and Family Welfare through National Rural Health Mission has organized training of the nodal teachers on health and hygiene, safety, and administration of micronutrient supplement, de-worming tablets and ways and means to tackle any untoward incidents arise out of food/ micronutrients served to children under mid day meal in schools.
- Procurement/replacement of weighing machines and height recorder to record the status of a child's weight and height requires because these equipments were procured during 2006-07.

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

At State Level:

- (i) Monitoring Committee members comprise:
 - Commissioner/Secretary (Education)
 - Director of School/Elementary Education
 - Joint Director of School Education
 - State Project Director, SSA Rajya Mission
 - Principal, SIE/SCERT
 - Principal DIET, Naharlagun
 - Deputy Director of School Education (MDM)\
 - A Representative of Teachers
- (ii) State Review Mission:

Director (Elementary Education) : Chairman
 Monitoring Institute RGU Doimukh : Member
 Principal,SIE/SCERT, Itanagar : Member
 Dy State Project Director,SSA : Member
 Principal, DIET Naharlagun : Member
 Joint Director of School Education : Member
 Dy Director of School Education (MDM) : Member

At District Level:

- Deputy Commissioner
- Dy Director of School Education
- Principal, DIET of the district
- Principal of Hr.Sec School of District HQ
- District Adult Education Officer
- District Coordinator (MDM)
- A Representative of members of School Management Committee
- A Representative of Teachers
- A Representative of Parents

At Block Level:

Administrative Officer(SDO/EAC/CO) of the Block
 Block Education officer
 Principal/Headmaster of Hr.Sec/Sec School
 Chairman
 Member
 Member

A Representative of members of School

Management Committee : Member

• A Representative of Teachers : Member

• A Representative of Parents : Member

Strategy:

The Monitoring Committee will carry out inspection of at least 30- 40 schools in every quarter and submit report on the implementation of the scheme at school level. It will also hold interaction meetings with community viz. teachers/SMC members, parents, PRI members, etc in order to evolve suitable measures for effective implementation of the MDM Scheme.

2.22. Steps taken to strengthen the monitoring mechanism in the Block, District and State level and status of constitution of SMCs at these levels. Status of formation on steering Committee at Village/School/cooking agency level.

Management Structure:

For effective and efficient management and implementation of Mid Day Meal Scheme in schools, Monitoring cum Steering Committees have been formed at different levels as under:

I. State Level:

At State Level, the Monitoring cum Steering Committee (SCMC) has been constituted under the Chairmanship of Chief Secretary, Govt.of Arunachal Pradesh with the following other members:

- i) Commissioner (Education)
- ii) Commissioner (Finance)
- iii) Secretary (Planning)
- iv) Secretary (Health & Family Welfare)
- v) Secretary (Civil Supplies)
- vi) Secretary (Social welfare & women Development)
- vii) Secretary (RD&UD)
- viii) Director (Civil Supplies)
- ix) Director of School Education Member Secretary
- x) 2 (two) Experts in area of Nutrition
- xi) 4 (four) persons, of which 2 shall be women in the area of Nutrition/Child Welfare Community/Women Mobilization/School Education/Child Health.
- xii) Representatives from the district
- xiii) One representative from teachers

II. District Level:

Similarly, the District Level Steering cum Monitoring Committee has also formed under the Chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner of the district with the other members as under:

i) Deputy Commissioner : Chairman
 ii) Dy Director of School Education : Member Secey
 iii) District Civil Supply & Food : Member
 iv) District Medical Officer : Member
 iv) Dy Director of ICDS : Member

Other members

- vi) 01 (one) expert in the area of Nutrition & Child Development
- vii) 04 (four) persons, of which 2 shall be women in the area of Nutrition/Child Welfare Community/Women Mobilization/School Education /Child Health.

viii) One representative from teachers.

III. Block Level:

The Steering cum Monitoring Committee has been formed at all Blocks under the Administrative Officer with the following members:

i) ADC/SDO/EAC/CO : Chairman

ii) ADEO : Member Secretary

iii)HM/Principal of Block HQs:Memberiv)Medical Officer:Memberv)PRI (ZPM):Member

Other members

vi) 01 (one) expert in the area of Nutrition & Child Development.

vii) 4 (four) persons, of which 2 shall be women in the area of Nutrition/Child Welfare community/Women Mobilization/School Education /Child Health.

viii) One representative from teachers

III. School Level:

The School Management Committee (SMC) has been entrusted with the responsibility of implementation of MDM programme at school/village level. The Head Teacher of the concerned school acts as Member Secretary. Anchal Samiti Member/Gram Panchayats Members of the village are also involving in monitoring and supervision of cooking and serving mid-day meals.

The State Level Steering cum Monitoring Committee meeting was held on 10/06/2013 and 18/12/2013 in the Banquet Hall at Itanagar under the chairmanship of Chief Secretary, Govt of Arunachal Pradesh which was attended by Addl Secretary to Govt of India, Ministry of Human Resource Development Mrs. Vrinda Soroop on 10/06/2013. In the meeting important issues/problems were discussed and ways and means were adopted to resolve these issues such delay in release of foodgrains from FCI, delay in release of fund to districts/school. School Health Programme and inspections and monitoring issues were also discussed and resolved to take up on priority.

The State level review meeting was convened on 21/05/2012 under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister (Education), Govt.of of Arunachal Pradesh, which was also attended by Commissioner (Education), Director, Jt. Directors, Senior Officers of School Education Department. Second review meeting of Senior Education Officers was held on 07/10/2012 under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister (Education) to review the performances of Centrally Sponsored Schemes/Flagship Programmes in Conference Hall of Tourism Department at Itanagar which was attended by the, Commissioner (Education), Director, Jt Directors, Dy Directors and Block Education Officers. In the meeting, it was decided to evolve a suitable mechanism for efficient and effective implementation, management and monitoring and evaluation of MDM Programme in the State. Similarly review meetings have also been conducted at district, block and school levels from time to time.

2.23. Arrangement for official inspections to MDM centers and percentage of schools and summary of findings and remedial measures.

• The State Government has appointed 02 (two) Jt.Director of School Education and 01 (one) Dy Director of School Education as overall in - charges for monitoring and supervision of schools of the State.

- The Dy Director of School Education of respective district has also been given instructions to carry out inspection of schools and supervise and monitor all flagship programmes including MDM Scheme. BEO of respective Block is to inspect at least 10 schools under his/her block in a quarter and submit performance reports.
- Apart from the above, the Commissioner (Education) and Director of Elementary Education organized tour programme, from time to time, to various districts to assess the programme implementation at school/block level. Also, the Dy Commissioner of respective district carried out inspection of schools to oversee the overall implementation/performance of MDM scheme. A structured format called Surprise Inspection Report (SIR) has been developed and officers/officials whoever visits school fills it his/her observations/suggestions and submitted it to the Commissioner/Secretary for initiating corrective measures for effective implementation of the scheme.
- The State Review Mission has been constituted under the Chairmanship of Director of Elementary Education, Govt of Arunachal Pradesh with members from various educational institutes to review the implementation of MDM scheme quarterly across the state.

2.24. Feedback/comments in respect of Monitoring Institutions designated for your State/UT monitor implementation of MDM and action taken thereon.

- The Rajiv Gandhi University, Rono Hills, Doimukh is the Monitoring Institution to undertake monitoring and evaluation of MDM programme in the State. In the current year, the institution is undertaking assessment studies and the summary of its findings are yet to submit.
- SCERT/DIETs have been entrusted with the responsibility of internal monitoring and evaluation of MDM Scheme implementation and summary of their findings are yet to receive.
- Reports and observations/suggestions of the monitoring institution of the previous year have ready been taken up for necessary improvement and redressal at the State and District level.

2.25. Grievance Redressal Mechanism if any, I which implementation of the programme is complaints received nature of complaints and time schedule for disposal of complaints.

A Grievance Redressal Cell is set up at Directorate of School Education and in the office of the District Education Officer of 16 districts. The Nodal Officer (MDM) and State Coordinator (MDM) and Dy Director of School Education and District Coordinator (MDM) of each district has been appointed as the Grievance Redressal Officer and Coordinator to address and resolve complaints. Suggestions of the stakeholders such NGOs, students' organizations, PRIs for improvement of the scheme implementation are welcome and follow up actions are taken at State/District level.

A Toll Free Telephone Number: 1800 345 3604 is installed and dedicated for public utility to address complaints pertaining to the scheme implementation. The Department is making inquiry of a unanimous complaints lodged to the Ministry of HRD during 2009-10.

2.26. Media Publicity, if any:

Meetings / Training/Workshops/ guidelines/issues pertaining to the Mid Day Meal Scheme are published in the local daily newspapers to sensitize people about the objectives/goals of the mega feeding programme of Mid Day Meal from time to time. Charges for such publicity are borne from the MME component at State level.

2.27. 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

- Overall implementation of MDM programme in the State during 2013-14 is quite satisfactory in all the districts except in few pockets where geographical situation poses challenge.
- Support of the Central Government in form of Central financial assistance towards food
 grains costs, transportation of food grains costs, cooking costs, Honorarium to Cook-cumHelper and MME fund are sources of strengths to the implementation of the programme. Also
 all sorts of supports extended by the State Government are also strengthening the Department
 of School Education to implement the programme in order to achieve goal of Universalisation
 of Elementary Education in the country.
- Difficult terrains, backwardness of road connectivity in far flung areas and unsound state's fiscal position leading to inability of making state matching share available are some of the weaknesses in the implementation of the programme.
- As of now, however, the school feeding programme has become a people's programme that has boost up morale of the stakeholders to do more meaningful and innovative activities so as to achieve the goals/objectives of National Programme of Nutritional Support to Elementary Education [Mid Day Meal Scheme].
- Monitoring, supervision and inspection become more difficult when one proceeds towards inaccessible remote area to the extreme northern, eastern and western region of the State. To reach the remote part of this State, it takes several days. For instance, to go to Tali Circle of Kurung Kumey district, Wallong in Anjaw district, Taksin in Upper Subansiri district, Monigong in West Siang district, Gelling in Upper Siang district and entire Dibang Valley district takes more than 4 5 days on foot march to reach the schools; Vijaynagar in Changlang District takes few hours by Pawan Hans Helicopter service but takes more than one week to return to Changlang the District H.Q; are some examples of most difficult areas. Similarly many places of the State are located at the most remotest part as such there is no any conveyance other than foot march. This is, in fact, the main reason for poor coverage of monitoring and supervision of schools in remote areas.
- The amount earmark for MME is not at all adequate for meeting expenses of TA/DA of field functionaries. The cost of traveling by means of transport is very costly. So, fund under MME component is inadequately insufficient for each district to carry out inspection of schools in remote locations.

Problems:

- FCI base depot/go downs at District Headquarters sometimes don't have adequate foodgrains stocks resulting delay in lifting of food grains.
- Delay in release of fund owing to cumbersome processes for obtaining budgetary support and concurrence from Finance Department delay in releases of fund at various levels.
- Transportation and communication bottleneck.
- Remoteness, hilly and difficult terrain, floods and landslides hinder regular inspection and monitoring.

Issues on actionable points as per minutes of PAB-MDM, 2013-14:

• Less coverage of Primary children in Tirap and Tawang districts:

✓ District Administration has reasoned that there was heavy snowfall in the months of December to February which disrupts surface transport in Tawang district and floods and landslides in Tirap district.

• Meals served only for 2-3 days in a week as per MI report.

✓ District Administration has been given assurance to ensure the delivery of meals to children as per MDM guidelines. Further, instructions were served to the Head Teacher of each and every school to ensure serving mid day meal to the children on each school working day. The Deputy Director of School and Block Education Officers of respective district would undertake rigorous inspection of schools; monitoring and supervision in order to ensure effective implementation of the scheme.

• Revision of Transport Allowance rates from Rs.2600/- to Rs.5200/- per MT.

✓ Proposal for enhancement of Transport Assistance was submitted to MHRD; however, it was not materialized for want of latest PDS rates prevailing in the state. The fresh proposal will be submitted in the next financial year, 2014-15.

• Delay in the releases of fund to schools:

The matter has been placed in the State Level Steering – cum – Monitoring Committee held on 10.06.2013 and 18.12.2013 and the State Finance Department has given assurance to take up the matter to release fund under MDM Scheme to Education Department expeditely. Further, the State Finance Department is examining the ways and means for introduction of the Green Channel Scheme of Andhra Pradesh line.

Chapter – 3

SUB- PLAN FOR MANAGEMENT, MONITORING AND EVALUATION (MID DAY MEAL SCHEME), 2012-13

3.1. Introduction

The Management, Monitoring and Evaluation (MME) is an important component under the Mid Day Meal Scheme. The First and Second Review Mission on MDMS has recommended strengthening and improvement of monitoring and evaluation system at State, District, Block and School levels. The Public Accounts Committee in its report has also emphasized the need of robust monitoring of implementation of the scheme.

The MME Plan has been prepared with the following broad objectives:

- To develop a sound system of accounting procedures and reporting as well as a computer based Management Information System (MIS) for Mid Day Meal Scheme at State, District, Block and School levels.
- To strengthen and improve the monitoring structure at District, Block and School levels
- To undertake regular monitoring of programme implementation and its impact.
- To conduct internal/external evaluation and study on implementation of the scheme.
- To conduct/organize short-duration training/orientation/workshop programmes for state/district/block/school level functionaries as well as community leaders on various components under Mid Day Meal Scheme in phase manner/quarter-wise.

3.2. School level Expenses

At the School level, following items of activities are to be covered under MME Plan for effective management and monitoring on implementation of cooked Mid-Day Meal Scheme:

- Recurring expenses like, Stationary items, Registers, Cash books, QPR/MPR formats
- Replacement/repairing of Kitchen Devices for schools which were allotted Kitchen Devices way back in the year 2006-07.
- Every year, one-Day orientation training programme for Cook-cum-Helpers shall be conducted to inculcate habits of cleanliness, hygiene and nutritive values of food items.

3.3. Strengthening of Management, Supervision, Training & Monitoring and evaluation Structure

- State has already engaged Computer Programmer for the state: 1 person
- State has already engaged Data Entry Operators for State & Districts (2+17):19 persons.
- State already engaged Office Attendant for State : 2 persons
- Engagement of Office Attendant for Districts: 17 persons is proposed

- Expenditure on Transport & Contingencies for conducting inspections, monitoring, training & workshop.
- Office Expenses for District Headquarters and State Headquarters.
- Media Publicity for spreading awareness among the masses for supportive co-operations and effective monitoring of the scheme.
- Preparation of relevant manuals for training and capacity building.
- One-day community (VECs/SMCs/parents/PRIs) awareness programme on implementation of the MDM Scheme for active participation of community.
- Workshop for capacity building of District Education Officers for planning and formulation.
- Organizing regular meetings of Steering-cum-Monitoring Committees at State, District & Block level.
- Appointment of a NGO from NE States with requisite qualification for evaluation study on implementation of Mid-Day Meal Scheme in the state.

3. 4. Management Information System (MIS)

A sound and reliable system of accounting procedures and reporting as well as a computer based Management Information System for Mid Day Meal Scheme is the urgent need of the hour. The State Government of Arunachal Pradesh is initiating to develop a web enabled MIS during Financial Year 2012-13 in coordination with NIC that would ensure:

- Effective and de-centralized planning process based on relevant and useful data.
- Smooth and timely flow of food grains and cooking assistance.
- Prompt information about food grain and fund utilization.
- Timely and automatic report generation.
- Transparency and wider dissemination of information on implementation of MDMS.
- Better Inventory control.
- Installation of computer networks with internet facilities.
- Provision for display of information under RTI Act on daily menu and other components.

3.5. External Monitoring of MDM Programme

- Programme parameters: the manner in which MDM programme is being implemented in terms of all children regularly getting a meal of satisfactory quality
- Impact parameters: the effect on improving children's nutritional status, regularity of attendance and retention in and completion of Elementary Education
- Dean & Head, Department of Education, Rajiv Gandhi University, Rono Hills (Doimukh), Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh for external evaluation.
- District Institute of Education and Training (DIET) for internal monitoring & evaluation of the programme.

3.6. Evaluation /Study of MDM Programme Implementation

• Assessment on overall performance by External Monitoring Institutions.

- Case study on Community Participation in implementation of MDM Scheme by a reputed institution/NGO.
- Review of MDM Programme Implementation in the State of Arunachal Pradesh by a reputed institution/NGO.

3.7. Short duration Training/Orientation/Workshop Programmes to be conducted are as under

- 1. One-day community (VECs/SMCs/parents/PRIs) awareness programme on implementation of the MDM Scheme at Block/School level.
- 2. One-day Orientation training programme for capacity building of Cooks-cum-Helpers on activities relating to cooking, hygiene, cleanliness, etc.At Block/School level.
- 3. Four-days Workshop for capacity building of District Education Officers/Officials on planning process and formulation of District/State Annual work Plan and Budget at State level.
- 4. One-day State/District/Block level Steering-cum-Monitoring Committee meetings to review the implementation of the programme to be conducted on quarterly basis.

3.7.1 Objectives of the Training/Orientation/Workshop Programmes

- To sensitize the participants (community members) to the issues/problems in implementation of the scheme at grass root/school level so as to enable them to take collective responsibility to tackle the challenges.
- To orient / increase the competencies of the Cooks-cum-helpers for preparation of nutritious meal, safety and hygiene specifications.
- To familiarize the participants with conceptual framework of planning and acquaint them with the main approaches of planning processes and their implications for plan formulation.
- To review the overall performance/implementation of the scheme; to identify problems in planning/implementation and what to be done to improve the programme in future.

3.8. It is appreciated if Arunachal Pradesh is considered as Smaller State status while granting fund under MME component as it is thinly populated state with wide distribution of population.

3.9. Problems:

- Remoteness and difficult terrain.
- Absence of road connectivity and means of communication in far flung interior areas.
- Foot march through dense forest and rugged mountains takes days to reach the schools.
- More than 70 percent schools are located in remote interiors.

The above are the hurdles that hinder the smooth and regular monitoring and supervision on implementation of Mid Day Meal Programme in schools. One has to walk on foot for at least 3-4 days to reach a school in Tawang, West Kameng, East Kameng, Kurung-Kumey, Upper Subansiri, West Siang, Upper Siang, Dibang Valley, Changlang district by negotiating rough terrains intersected by deep gorges and rivers.

SHEET

State	:	Arunachal Pradesh
No. of Districts		17
No. of CD Blocks	:	98
No. of Villages	:	3872
No. of Panchayat	:	2410
No. of SMCs	:	4228
No. of DIETs	:	11
No. of Eligible Primary Schools + CS/NRSTC	:	2284
No. of Eligible Upper Primary Schools	:	1055
Total No. of Institutions under MDM coverage	:	3339
Enrolment of Children (as on 30.09.2012):		
 Primary Stage 	:	1,92,486
 Upper Primary Stage 	:	73,825
 Total 	:	2,66,671
No. of Working Days Approval:		
 Primary Stage 	:	220
 Upper Primary Stage 	:	220
No. of Cooks-cum-helpers engaged in cooking:		
 Primary Stage 	:	5438
 Upper Primary Stage 	:	2371
• Total	:	7809
Responsibility of Implementation assigned to SMC	es:	3339
No. of Kitchen sheds sanctioned/Constructed	:	4084
No. of District Education Officers :		17
No. of District Coordinators (BEOs) MDMS :		17
No. of Block Education Officers :		98
No. of Head Teachers Primary & U.Primary :		2715
No. of EGS/AIE Centers/Community Schools :		155
No. of Headmasters Secondary Schools :		141
No. of Principals Hr Sec Schools	:	90

3.9. Financial Implication:

[₹in lakh]

SI.			Unit	[\ III Iakii]	
No.	Activities	Physical	Cost	Financial	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6
I	School Level Expenses				
i)	Form & Stationery, soaps & cleaning agents,				
	etc	3339	0.01	33.39	
ii)	Replacement/repair/maintenance of cooking device, utensils, weighing machines, height				
	recorders, etc.	3339	0.01	33.39	
	Sub-Total :	0000	0.01	66.78	
II	Management,Supervision,Training and Internal Monitoring and Evaluation				
i)	Staff Salary -				
	(a) Programmer/Co-ordinator MIS				Already engaged in
	(1x12000x12 months) for CFY	1	0.12	1.44	CFY vide
	(b) Data Entry Operator MIS (17 for each				Govt. order
	Districts+2 for State) (19x10000x12 months)	19	0.10	22.80	No.EED.9/M
	(c) Office attendant (2 for State) (2x6500x12				DM/118/2012 -13 dated,
	months)	2	0.065	1.56	16.08.2013
	(d) Office attendant for all districts	_	0.000	1.00	10.00.2010
	(17x6500x12 months) for CFY	2	0.065	1.56	
ii)	Transport & Conveyances (17+1)	18	0.50	9.00	
iii)	Other Incidental expenses (17+1)	18	0.10	1.80	
iv)	Furniture,computer,hardware & software, etc	18	0.40	7.20	
v)	One day Orientation training programme for				
	capacity building of Cooks cum-Helpers (7809x₹.250/-)	7809	0.0025	19.52	
vi)	,	7009	0.0023	19.02	
'''	One day Training programme for SMCs/BEO and Preparation of relevant manuals for				
	training and capacity building.	1000	0.0025	2.50	
vii)	Exposure visit to Tamil Nadu for District/State				
	level MDM functionaries (10 members)	10	0.30	3.00	
viii)	Media Publicity	1	1.00	1.00	
	Sub-Total :			71.38	
Ш	External Monitoring & Evaluation	1	15.00	15.00	Lumpsum
	Sub-Total :		15.00	15.00	
	Grand Total			153.16	

(Rupees one crore fifty three lakh sixteen thousand) only.

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SUMMERY OF ANNUAL WORK PLAN & BUDGET MID-DAY MEAL SCHEME FOR 2014-15

The State Annual Work Plan & Budget on cooked Mid-day Meal Scheme for the Session 2014-15 was prepared based on District Annual Work Plan of 17 districts in conformity with the information available at State level, the Nodal Department. The process of planning has been a bottom up approach where information and requirement of each schools of the State was given due consideration in the AWP & B, 2014-15. Summary of State AWP & B – 2014-15 is summarized as under:

No. of Institutions covered under MDM during 2013-14

SI.No.	Stage	Govt + LB	GA	CS/NRSTC	Total
1	Primary	2107	27	155	2284
2	Upper Primary	1014	41	0	1055
	Total	3121	68	155	3339

Source: Directorate of Elementary Education, December, 2013

No. of children (Classes I – VIII) opted MDM during 2012-13

SI.No.	Stage	Govt + LB	GA	EGS/AIE/CS	Total
1	Primary	178195	9047	5604	192846
2	Upper Primary	68350	5475	0	73825
	Total	246545	14522	5604	266671

Source: Directorate of Elementary Education, December, 2013

Target for Implementation of MDM in 2014-15

1.	Number of Districts to be covered	17
2.	Total number of children proposed to be covered (Primary)	192846
3	Total number of children proposed to be covered (Upper Primary)	73825
4.	Total No. of children proposed (Pry + Upper Pry)	266671
5	Number of Cooked –cum- Helpers Engaged	7842

^{*} One New District viz. Longding is included and projected in the AWP&B, 2014-15.

PROPOSAL FOR CENTRAL ASSISTANCE FOR 2014-15 as per AWP&B approval of State Level Steering cum Monitoring Committee, Mid Day Meal Scheme

1. Food grains

Sl.No	Stage	AWP&B-MDM SI	Quantity in MTs	
		Average No. of Children	No. of working days	
1	Primary @ 100 gms/ child/school			
	day (1,89,060 x 220 x 0.0001)	1,89,060	220	4159.34
2	Upper Primary @ 150 gms/child/school day (71,469 x 220 x 0.00015)	71,469	220	2358.49
	TOTAL	2,60,529		6517.83

• Recurring: Food grains Cost, Cooking Cost, Honorarium of Cooks-cum -helpers, Transport Assistance & MME:

(Rs. In Lakhs)

Sl.No	Component	Amount Proposed	
1	2	3	
I.	Primary		
1	Cost of Foodgrains @ Rs.5650/- per MT		
	(Rs.5650 x 4159.34 MTs)	235.00	
2	Unit Cooking Cost @ Rs. 3.34 per day/per	child	
i	Central Share @ Rs.3.23 per day/per child		
	(1,89,060 x 220 days x Rs. 3.23)	1343.47	
ii	Minimum Mandatory State Share @ Rs.0.3301 per day/per child		
	(1,89,060 x 220 days x Rs. 3.01)	149.73	
3	Transportation Cost @ Rs. 5200/MT		
	(Rs.2600 x 4159.34)	108.13	
4	Honorarium for Cooks cum helpers		
i	Central Share (5438 x Rs.900 x 10 months)	489.42	
ii	Minimum Mandatory State Share		
	(5438 x Rs. 100 x 10 months)	54.38	
	Management, Monitoring and Evaluation (MME) 1.8% of		
	Cost of food grains		
5	Cooking cost		
	Cost of transportation and		
	Honorarium to cooks cum helpers	39.17	
	TOTAL:		
	a) Central Share $(1 + 2(i) + 3 + 4(i) + 5)$	2215.19	
	b) State Share (2 (ii) + 4 (ii)	204.11	
	TOTAL (a + b)	2419.30	

(Rs. In Lakhs)

Sl.No	Component	Amount Proposed		
1	2	3		
II.	Upper Primary			
1	Cost of Foodgrains @ Rs.5650/- per MT			
	(Rs.5650 x 2358.49 MTs)	133.25		
2	Unit Cooking Cost @ Rs. 3.34 per day/per child			
i	Central Share @ Rs.5.00 per day/per child			
	(71,469 x 220 days x Rs. 4.84)	761.01		
ii	Minimum Mandatory State Share @ Rs.0.50 per day/per child			
	(71,469 x 220 days x Rs. 0.54)	84.92		
3	Transportation Cost @ Rs. 5200/MT			
	(Rs.2600 x 2358.49)	61.31		
4	Honorarium for Cooks cum helpers			
i	Central Share (2371 x Rs.900 x 10 months)	213.39		
ii	Minimum Mandatory State Share			
	(2371 x Rs. 100 x 10 months)	23.71		
	Management, Monitoring and Evaluation (MME) 1.8% of			
	Cost of food grains			
5	Cooking cost			
	Cost of transportation and			
	Honorarium to cooks cum helpers	21.04		
	TOTAL:			
	a) Central Share $(1 + 2(i) + 3 + 4(i) + 5)$	1190.00		
	b) State Share (2 (ii) + 4 (ii)	108.63		
	TOTAL (a + b)	1298.63		
	GRAND TOTLA : (I + II)			
	Central Share (I + II)	3405.19		
	State Share (I + II)	312.76		
	GRAND TOTAL (Central + State)	3717.95		

Problems/Issues:

- FCI base depot/godowns at District Headquarters sometimes don not have adequate foodgrains stocks resulting delay in lifting of food grains.
- Cumbersome procedure for obtaining budgetary support and concurrence from Finance Department delay in releases of fund at various levels.
- Transportation and communication bottleneck.
- Remoteness, hilly and difficult terrain, Floods and landslides hinder regular inspection and monitoring.



Govt. ME School, Tawang (Tawang Distt.)



5th JRM interacting with DC, Lower Subansiri Distt



Govt. Secondary School, Hapoli (Lower Subansiroi Distt.)



Govt. ME School, Bomdila (West Kameng Distt.)