

**Government of Odisha
Department of School & Mass Education
State Project Management Unit (MDM)**

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From,

Sri Gangadhar Sahoo, OAS,
State Nodal Officer (MDM)

To

All Collectors.

Sub:- Distribution of Food Security Allowance (MDM) during COVID-19 lockdown.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to invite reference to Letter No. 10276/SME, dt. 24.07.2020 of S&ME Department on the above subject and to say that Government have been pleased to allow distribution of Food Security Allowance under Mid Day Meal programme (both dry rice and cooking cost) during COVID-19 lockdown to the eligible students as per MDM Rules for 57 school working days at one go in the 2nd phase from 14.06.2020 to 31.08.2020 with the following modalities;

- i. Dry ration (rice) shall be provided for 57 days at school point by Headmaster in presence of SMC out of available MDM rice in schools.
- ii. In case of schools having MDM rice for more than 57 days, the CRCC should re-allocate the excess rice and divert the same to the nearby schools having deficit MDM rice maintaining proper accounts in both the schools under intimation to the DEOs & BEOs.
- iii. Even after such adjustment by CRCC if there is still shortfall, coupons for balance quantity to be issued to parent/ guardian to enable them to receive the dry ration from previously tagged FPS/ PDS outlets.
- iv. Payment of cooking cost for the 57 days should be made directly to the account of school students/ parents/ guardian on DBT mode.
- v. If Quarantine Centre or Temporary Medical Camp or Covid Care Home has been vacated and the school building is no longer used as such the building shall be sanitized and handed over back to the Headmaster. After such sanitization, the premises can be used as a distribution centre of Food Security Allowance (MDM dry rice).

- vi. If Quarantine Centre/ Temporary Medical Camp/ Covid Care Home is in operation in the school premises, but the school authorities and SMC have access to the Headmaster's chamber and store room of MDM rice, arrangements should be made to take away the MDM rice to the nearby school or community centre and use the same as Food Security Allowance (MDM rice) distribution centre. The transportation of rice from the school used as quarantine centre to the nearby school or Community Centre can be done by the Cook-cum-Helper or the local SHG (if tagged to that school) or by local labourer. The transporting cost at the local prevalent rate can be met from the sales proceeds of the gunny bags or the interest money available in the school or with District Education Officer.
- vii. If Quarantine Centre/ Temporary Medical Camp/ Covid Care Home is in operation and the rice stored therein cannot be removed and taken to other places because of accommodation of positive inmates or other contingent circumstances, then the fact may be intimated to Collector through DEO.
- viii. The Headmaster is usually In-charge officer of the Quarantine Centre/ Temporary Medical Camp/ Covid Care Home running in a school. Hence, the Headmaster can explore the option of handing over the MDM rice at the economic cost of Rs. 32/- per kg (FS&CW Deptt) to the food supplier or cooking agency for that quarantine centre. The same cost shall be deposited with DEO.
- ix. All COVID 19 safety norms like face masking, hand sanitizing, social distancing etc. shall be strictly adhered to during the transportation and dry ration rice distribution.
- x. The SMC shall be kept informed while distributing the coupons and MDM rice at FPS/ PDS outlets.

You are therefore requested to please take immediate appropriate action to reach the Mid Day Meal entitlement to the children (Food Security Allowance) under intimation to this Department.

Yours faithfully,


State Nodal Officer (MDM)

Memo No. 416 /SPMU, Dt. 24-07-2020

Copy forwarded to the Joint Secretary, FS&CW Department for making available the Mid Day Meal dry ration (rice) to the parents of the student.


State Nodal Officer (MDM)

Memo No. 417 /SPMU, Dt. 24-07-2020

Copy forwarded to Director, Secondary Education, Director, Elementary Education and SPD, OSEPA for kind information and necessary action.


State Nodal Officer (MDM)

Memo No. 418 /SPMU, Dt. 24-07-2020

Copy forwarded to all District Education Officers for information and necessary action. They are requested to ensure distribution of available MDM rice in the schools immediately. Then after collecting school wise further requirement, they should collate it and place indent with the CSO of the district. With regard to disbursement of cooking cost (FSA) it shall be released to the student/ parent/ guardian account directly. The progress of distribution shall be sent in the format attached to this letter.


State Nodal Officer (MDM)

FORMAT-I (Phase- 2)

(In Qtls)

Sl. No	Name of the district	MDM rice available in school point.									Remarks if any
		Available			Distribution made			Balance			
		Pry	U.P	Total	Pry	U.P	Total	Pry	U.P	Total	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1											
2											

Signature of the District Education Officer

FORMAT-II (Phase- 2)

FORMA-1 (Phase 2)																					
Sl.	Name of the district	No. of coupons distributed for MDM rice			No. of coupons utilized so far for receiving MDM rice			Balance coupons not yet utilized for receiving MDM rice at FPS/PDS retailer points.			Total MDM rice indented to the CSO (In quintals)			Total MDM rice lifted by CSO from OSCSC (In Quintals)	Total MDM rice distributed through the FPS/ PDS retailer (In Quintals)			(In Quintals) Balance lying with FPS/ PDS retailer for distribution (In Quintals)			Remarks if any
		Pry	U.P	Total	Pry	U.P	Total	Pry	U.P	Total	Pry	U.P	Total		Pry	U.P	Total	Pry	U.P	Total	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
1																					
2																					

Signature of the District Education Officer

FORMAT -III (Phase-2)
Reporting Format on Distribution of Cooking Cost

Name of the District :

No. of School			Student enrollment			Disbursement						Balance to be disbursed					
Pry	U. Pry	Total	Pry	U. Pry	Total	No. of School		No. of student		Total		No. of School		No. of student		Total	
						Pry	U. Pry	Pry	U. Pry	School	student	Pry	U. Pry	Pry	U. Pry	School	student
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18

Signature of the District Education Officer