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To,

The Principal Secretaries/Secretaries of Department of Women & Child Development/Social Welfare of all States/UTs

Subject: A nationwide 100-days campaign to provide assured potable piped water supply in Anganwadi centres- reg.

Sir/Madam,

National Jal Jeevan Mission, Ministry of Jal Shakti has launched a nation-wide '100-days campaign' on 2nd October 2020 to make provision of 'Safe piped water supply' in every Anganwadi centre in villages (copy of D.O. letter dated 14.10.2020 is enclosed). A copy of 100 days campaign booklet is available at:

http://jalshakti-ddws.gov.in/sites/default/files/100_Days_Campaign_10_Oct_2020.pdf

2. Clean drinking water is an essential ingredient for addressing the nutritional challenge. POSHAN Abhiyaan advocates convergent activity for facilitating enabling environment for healthy growth of children at Anganwadi Centers. Ministry of Jal Shakti has also suggested that, sufficient fund are available under various programmes viz. Jal Jeevan Mission, MNREGS, 15th FC grants to PRIs, Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin), MP/MLA local area development funds, District Mineral Development Fund(DMDF), CSR funds, community contributions, etc. for ensuring such basic but critical facility at Anganwadi Centers, inter alia. It is requested that efforts may be made at your level to leverage existing resources as suggested above for providing clean piped drinking water at AWCs. In this regard, you may collaborate with Public Health Engineering Department of your State.

3. During the '100-days Campaign' launched by M/o Jal Shakti, awareness generation on various aspects of WASH will ensure sustainable use of water resources as well as an enlightened future generation. Involvement of field functionaries of Anganwadi Services in the campaign along with district administration & NGOs/CBOs working with them, may help generate due awareness about the issue.

4. Some action points for AWWs recommended by the Ministry of Jal Shakti are listed in the annexure enclosed. I request you to extend full support to the campaign and collaborate due efforts and action to ensure clean piped water supply in all Anganwadi Centres within these 100 days.

Yours sincerely,



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Ministry of Women and Child Development

Copy to: Nodal officers of POSHAN Abhiyaan of all States/UTs

Copy also to: Additional Secretary, Jal Jeevan Mission, Ministry of Jal Shakti

Annexure

Some of the actions points may be followed by AWWs are listed as below:

- i. Participate in preparation of village action plan (VAP) including provision of piped water supply & achieve water security in Anganwadi Centres,
- ii. Attend tap water supply regarding orientation/trainings planned for AWWs
- iii. Discuss and bring awareness among community about the importance of Water Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) and assured availability of safe water to children for their overall development; Use IEC material provided for the same.
- iv. Be part of Gram Sabhas to pledge providing functional tap water connection to all Anganwadi Centres, with sufficient quantity of water for drinking, toilets, hand washing and preparation of meals
- v. Regularly assess quality and status of tap water connections for drinking water, toilets, hand washing etc.
- vi. Follow regular reporting system for monitoring purpose;
- vii. Contact VWSC/VHSNC/Paani Samiti /Gaon Kalyan Samiti etc. for any queries.
- viii. Play a proactive role in capturing good practices, case studies etc. for documentation and to motivate community and beneficiaries.
- ix. Make arrangements for rainwater harvesting for source sustainability with the help of different committee in the village
- x. Support children with fully integrated life skills education, focusing on key hygiene behaviours overall water security and safety, safe handling and storage of drinking water, hand washing with soap, personal and community hygiene, etc. drinking water, hand washing with soap, personal and community hygiene, etc.
