To,  
Principal Secretaries/Secretaries of WCD/Social Welfare (in-charge of Anganwadi Services) in all States/UTs.

Subject: Administrative Approval of Annual Programme Implementation Plan (APIP) 2020-21 for Anganwadi Services under Umbrella ICDS Scheme - Regarding.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Annual Programme Implementation Plan (APIP) 2020-21 proposals for Anganwadi Services under Umbrella ICDS Scheme submitted by the State Governments/UT Administrations and to say that the Empowered Programme Committee (EPC) Meetings for consideration of these APIP Proposals were held through Video Conferencing for all States/UTs.

2. The Minutes of EPC Meetings and the component-wise Administrative approval of funds for APIP 2020-21 for each State/UT are enclosed.

3. The States/UTs are requested to ensure the compliance of the following:-

i. The Supplementary Nutrition Programme(SNP) has been DBT on-boarded in the month of March, 2018. As such, the SNP is required to be implemented in DBT mode from 01.04.2019 and authentication using Aadhaar of the beneficiaries is mandatory for transfer of benefits, de-duplication and removal of ghost/fake beneficiaries of Supplementary Nutrition programme.

ii. The reimbursement of expenditure is subject to actuals depending upon the child (0-6 years) population in the State/UT (Census 2011), number of beneficiaries registered at the AWCs, beneficiary trends in the last years and the number of beneficiaries reported by the State/UT in the various periodical returns sent to the Ministry.

iii. Payment of honorarium to Anganwadi Workers and Helpers are to be made strictly in DBT mode through PFMS/IFMS/State payment Portal.

iv. The States/UTs should furnish the details of their previous years’ expenditure clearly indicating the shortfalls/surplus as the case may be and the previous years’ accounts of the States/UTs will be settled in 3rd quarter of the current financial year.
iv. The Ministry will be undertaking surprise checks at the Anganwadi level in different States/UTs throughout the year and any short-coming found in the system of feeding the beneficiaries shall lead to curtailment to the state’s grants.

Enclosure: APIP minutes

Yours faithfully,

(Ram Bachan)
Under Secretary to Government of India

Copy to: Director, Anganwadi Services in all States/UTs.
MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF EMPOWERED PROGRAMME COMMITTEE UNDER ANGANWADI SERVICES FOR EXAMINATION OF APIP OF STATES/UTs FOR THE YEAR 2020-21

PART-I

Meetings of the Empowered Programme Committee (EPC) for consideration of Annual Programme Implementation Plan (APIP) of States/UTs for the year 2020-21 for Anganwadi Services Scheme were held on 24th, 25th, 28th, 29th, 30th April & 5th, 6th May, 2020 through video conference under the chairmanship of Secretary, MWCD with the officers of WCD/Social Welfare Departments of State Governments/UT Administrations and officers of the Ministry.

2. Initiating the discussion, Secretary, MWCD welcomed all participants and informed that the purpose of the EPC is not only to consider APIP proposals of the States/UTs for the financial year 2020-21 but also to review performance of the States/UTs in implementing the scheme during the previous year and to address/consider the state specific issue, if any.

3. The Government of India had also considered rationalization and continuation of Anganwadi Services and approved the following:

1. Continuation of Anganwadi Services as per scope, structure and cost-sharing ratio existing as on 31st March, 2017 from 1st April, 2017 to 30th November, 2017;
2. Continuation of Anganwadi Services as per revised scope, structure and cost-sharing ratio from 1st December, 2017 to 30th November, 2018.

4. The scheme specific details of the revised scope, structure and cost sharing ratio as approved by the Government under Anganwadi Services have been informed to all States/UTs vide letter No.11/36/2016-CD.I dated 23rd November, 2017.

5. It was also reiterated to the States/UTs that under the revised Anganwadi Services Scheme some of the components were discontinued and cost norms/cost sharing ratio of some of the components were revised. GoI share for payment of salaries has been limited only to the following select regular posts with effect from 1st December, 2017:

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[Annexure to MoWCD’s letter No. 14/8/2019-CD.II (e-81788), dated 29th July, 2020]
6. The cost sharing ratio between Centre and States/UTs for various components under Anganwadi Services w.e.f. 01.12.2017 is as under:

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<th>States/UTs with Legislature</th>
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7. States/UTs were advised to implement the Anganwadi Services Scheme as per revised scope, structure and cost-sharing ratio. Under revised Anganwadi Services Scheme, some of the components have been revised. The component-wise norms approved under Anganwadi Services are given as under:

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<td>Salary</td>
<td>Payment of salary only to the select Anganwadi Services functionaries at District and Project Level in the revised cost sharing ratio</td>
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| 2     | SN                       | (i) Children (6 months to 72 months) Rs.8/- per child per day  
(ii) Severely malnourished Children (6 months – 72 months) Rs.12/- per child per day  
(iii) Pregnant women and Lactating mothers Rs.9.50/- per beneficiary per day |
| 3     | Medicine Kit             | AWC/ Mini AWC  
AWC - Rs.1,500/- p.a.  
Mini-AWC - Rs.750/- p.a. |
| 4     | Pre-School Kit/ECCE (Including Training) | Rs.5,000/- per AWC/Mini AWC p.a. including the cost of PSE Kit, Activity Book etc. |
| 5     | Administrative Expenses  | AWC/ Mini AWC  
AWC - Rs.2,000/- p.a.  
Mini-AWC - Rs.1,000/- p.a. |
| 6     | IEC                      | AWC/Mini-AWC only  
Rs.1000/- p.a. |
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| 7 | **Rent** | AWC/Mini AWC  
Rural/Tribal - Rs.1,000/-  p.m.  
Urban - Rs.4,000/-  p.m.  
Metropolitan - Rs.6,000/-  p.m. |
| 8 | **Petrol, Oil and Lubricant (POL)**  
/Hiring of Vehicle | District Cell & Project Cell only  
POL - Rs.1,90,000/-  p.a  
Hiring - Rs.2,50,000/-  p.a |
| 9 | **Purchase of vehicles** | For NE & Himalayan States only - @ Rs.7,00,000/-  per vehicle for States Cell only. |
| 10 | **Monitoring & Evaluation** | AWC/Mini AWC  
AWC - Rs.1500/-  p.a. |
| 11 | **Equipment/Furniture (once in 5 years)** | AWC/Mini AWC  
AWC - Rs.10,000/-  per AWC  
Mini-AWC - Rs.7,000/-  per AWC |
| 12 | **Uniform for AWW & AWH** | Two sets of saree/local dress @ Rs.400/-  each per year |
| 13 | **AKBY** | AWC/ Mini AWC  
To introduce PMJJBY @ Rs.330/-  per annum per beneficiary for AWW/AWHs upto the age of 50 years, PMSBY @ Rs.12/-  per annum per beneficiary up to age of 59 years and to continue AKBY at enhanced rate of approx. Rs.700 per worker beyond 50 years. |
| 14 | **Flexi Fund** | AWC/ Mini AWC  
@ Rs.1,000/-  p.a per AWC for disaster and Naxal affected AWCs only |
| 15 | **Construction of AWC building (New Buildings)** | Central share for construction of new Anganwadi Buildings  
@ Rs.1.00 lakh per AWC building for all States/UTs on reimbursement basis under Convergence with MGNREGS. |
| 16 | **Maintenance of AWC building** | AWC/ Mini AWC  
Rs.3,000  p.a. (for Govt. owned AWC buildings only) |
| 17 | **Upgradation of AWC buildings** | AWC/ Mini AWC  
Rs.2,00,000/-  per AWC  building |
| 18 | **Untied Fund - Children with Special Needs** | AWC/ Mini AWC  
Rs.3,000/-  per child |
| 19 | **Honoraria** | AWW - Rs.4,500/-  p.m.  
Mini AWW - Rs.3,500/-  p.m.  
AWH - Rs.2,250/-  p.m.  
AWH - Rs.250/-  p.m (performance linked incentive) |
| 20 | **Training** | As per revised norms |
| 21 | **Awards** | National level - @ Rs.50,000/-  per worker (100 Awards)  
State level -  @ Rs10,000 per worker (1275 Awards) |
8. States/UTs were advised to send proposals for purely Govt. run Training Centres. Proposals of NGOs run Training Centres should be uploaded on NGO Portal in accordance to the guidelines issued in September, 2017.

9. States/UTs were further asked to complete the work of construction and upgradation of AWCs sanctioned during 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17 and send the SoE/UC with physical progress report of the construction and upgradation of AWCs at the earliest for the release of 2nd instalment or otherwise.

10. Joint Secretary (ASC) further informed that continuation of Anganwadi Services under ICDS Umbrella Scheme of the Ministry has been approved by the Competent Authority upto 31.03.2021. Therefore, the APIP proposals of the States/UTs for the year 2020-21 are being considered by the Empowered Programme Committee (EPC) so as to implement the Scheme as per the approved APIP. It was emphasised that State Governments/UT Administrations should implement the programme broadly taking into account following components:

10.1 Provision may be made for honorarium for AWWs and AWHs to be recruited against vacant posts only.

10.2 Training of Anganwadi Services functionaries viz. AWWs, AWHs, Supervisors, CDPOs etc would be taken up as the revised guidelines issued by the Ministry in 2017. Emphasis would be given on e-training.

10.3 STRAP Proposals will henceforth be received online through MIS Portal for Anganwadi Services Training Programme from States/UTs and processed accordingly as per extant norms.

11. The States/UTs were requested to send their APIP in prescribed format as per revised cost sharing ratio. The APIP received from the States/UTs have been considered by EPC. The general issues and observations that emerged after examination of the APIPs by EPC during the meetings are narrated below:

12. General Issues and Observations (COMMON FOR ALL STATES/UTs):

12.1 Salary has been approved only for DPOs, CDPOs (1 for each project), Statistical Assistant (1 for each district and 1 for each project) and supervisors in the cost sharing ratio as mentioned in para 5 above. Salary of other Anganwadi Services' functionaries will be paid by the States/UTs from their own resources. States have also expressed their concerns and
requested to revise the cost sharing ratio of Salary Component (Preferably 60:40 from 25:75).

12.2 The States/UTs were advised to ensure uninterrupted supply of Supplementary Nutrition to the beneficiaries during the COVID-19 pandemic as per the guidelines by the Ministry of Home Affairs.

12.3 States/UTs were directed to send the number of beneficiaries-Children (including MAM & SAM)/PW&LM who are enrolled and availing the benefits/ functionaries (CDPOs, Supervisor, AWWs/AWHs) as on 01.04.2020 and submit all the pending UCs/SoEs showing the unspent balance/pending liabilities, if any as on 31.03.2020 under the Signature of ACS/Principal Secretary/Secretary, WCD.

12.4 Some of the States have requested for sanction of additional AWCs. However, it was informed by the Joint Secretary that all the 14 lakh AWCs sanctioned by the Government have been allocated to the States/UTs. Further, States/UTs were informed that Ministry has sought the information from the States/UTs for rationalization of requirement of AWCs.

12.5 States/UTs have already been authorized to relocate AWCs as per the requirement and local need on the basis of the guidelines issued by the Ministry.

12.6 Construction of AWC buildings in rural areas should be taken up by the States/UTs in convergence with MNREGA. States/UTs are also advised to tap the funds for providing toilet and drinking water facilities in AWCs under CSR activities, Swachh Bharat Kosh and Panchayati Raj Institutions.

12.7 For recruitment to the posts of Supervisor, guidelines issued by MWCD to fill up 50% posts of Supervisor from among the eligible AWWs would be followed.

12.8 25% Posts of Anganwadi Workers (AWWs) should be filled up from amongst the Anganwadi Helpers who have put in minimum 10 years of satisfactory service and also possess the requisite qualifications laid down by the concerned State Governments/UT Administrations.

12.9 All States/UTs should physically verify the beneficiaries.

12.10 States/UTs to speed up action for filling up vacant posts in all categories within six months.
12.11 Status of construction and upgradation of AWCs to be updated alongwith UC/SoE for the release of 2nd instalment of amount sanctioned in 2013-14, 2014-15 & 2015-16.

12.12 The States/UTs would take up construction of AWCs under MGNREGS in convergence with ICDS as per guidelines issued by the Ministry.

12.13 The States/UTs which have expressed their inability for take construction of AWCs under MGNREGS in convergence with Anganwadi Services may do so as per prescribed rate under restructured ICDS. However, the quality and specification prescribed under ICDS shall be maintained and the additional fund shall be borne by the States/UTs. Further, States/UTs have also pointed out that presently MGNREGS being a labour intensive scheme hence construction of AWCs which is material intensive is facing a hurdle in execution of construction of AWCs. The States/UTs were also advised to use funds from other resources such as:

a) Border Management Area Development
b) Minority Affairs
c) Tribal Affairs
d) Panchayat Boards
e) MPLADS
f) MLALADS
g) Aspiration Districts (NITI Ayog)

12.14 Proposals for new District Cells, if any, may be sent to this Ministry in the prescribed format enclosing therewith Gazette Notification for creation of new districts for consideration of the Ministry.

12.15 In furtherance of Swachchhata Action Plan, construction of Toilets and Drinking water facilities in AWCs to be completed by March, 2021.

12.16 With respect to ICDS training programme, since refresher training programme has been discontinued since 2017, only Govt. run institutes were allowed to conduct induction training as per the ICDS Training Guidelines released in 2017.
PART-II

STATE/UT SPECIFIC ISSUES AND OBSERVATIONS:

VIDEO CONFERENCE HELD ON 24.04.2020(Forenoon)

1. **West Bengal:**

   1. It was observed that a large number of vacancies were at the level of CDPOs, Supervisors, AWWs and AWHs. The State informed that Recruitment Rules for the post of Supervisors is pending with Finance and the same will be completed by the end of 2020-21. However in the case of AWWs and AWHs there are court cases pending in some of the districts;
   2. The State was asked to operationalize 2981 AWCs and send a report to the Ministry;
   3. The State was directed to submit the pending UCs/SoE for construction/upgradation for the years 2013-14 and 2014-15;
   4. The State further informed that 1,000 AWCs are to be proposed for construction this year;
   5. The State informed that the non-availability of land is the major constraint along with the availability of funds for the construction of New AWCs.
   6. State was also advised to use funds from other resources such as:
      a. Border Management Area Development
      b. Minority Affairs
      c. Tribal Affairs
      d. Panchayat Boards
   7. The State further informed that the decline in the number of beneficiaries are due to:
      i. Low Birth Rate in the State
      ii. Shifting of beneficiaries towards private school in Sub-Urban Areas.
   8. The State was directed to organize a meeting at the level of Chief Secretary with Department of Rural Development, Panchayat, Mines, Border Management, Minority affairs, Tribal Affairs etc. for the aligning the resources available in the State to construct new AWCs.
   9. The State was asked to join the POSHAN Abhiyan to facilitate better delivery of services under AWS

2. **Maharashtra:**

   1. A large number of vacancies were observed at each level. The State informed that the posts will be filled up at the earliest;
   2. The State informed that 4000 new AWCs were opened 2 months ago;
   3. The State further informed that 1,000 AWCs are to be proposed for construction this year;
4. State was also advised to use funds from other resources such as:

   a. Minority Affairs
   b. Tribal Affairs
   c. Panchayat Boards

The State was asked to look into the fact that it had more children in the age group 3 to 6 years opting for supplementary nutrition compared to those availing PSE.

3. Haryana:

1. It was observed that a large number of posts are vacant in the grades of Supervisor and CDPO. The State was directed to fill the same at the earliest;
2. It was further observed that UC/SoE for construction and upgradation and construction under MGNREGS is still pending with the State. The State informed that the same will be submitted at the earliest;
3. The State also suggested that there should be a teacher equivalent to Nursery Teacher (N.T.T) for PSE/ECCE component.
4. The State also advised that a certificate should be given to the children for availing pre-school education to reduce the shifting the beneficiaries in private school. Accordingly, State was advised to take up the matter with Education Department of the State.
5. The State is providing Rs. 11,800/- to AWW and Rs. 6,500/- to AWH as an Honorarium per month.

VIDEO CONFERENCE HELD ON 24.04.2020(Afternoon)

4. Karnataka

1. A large number of vacancies at the level of CDPO and Supervisor were seen in the State. There were no vacancy for AWW and AWH;
2. The State further informed that they will submit UC/SoE for construction and upgradation soon;
3. The State informed that a total of 834 AWC were constructed from the NABARD funds.
4. The State also informed that 1100 AWCs will be completed from Gram Panchayat Funds.
5. The State also informed that the State will upgraded 225 AWC State of Art model AWCs under Smart City Area Construction Plan in Belgaum, Tumkur and Bangalore District by the end of 2020-21.
6. The State also requested to upgrade 3331 Mini-AWCs to Main AWCs and Secretary, WCD advised to send a separate proposal with justification as the same will be done at the time of the review of present scheme.
7. The State also requested to change the funding pattern such as in Salary Component from 25:75 to 60:40/50:50, SNP from 50:50 to 75:25 and General from 60:40 to 80:20.
8. The state was asked to expedite the procurement of smart phones under the POSHAN Abhiyaan.
5. Mizoram:

1. The State informed that there is no vacancy at any level;
2. The State requested for funds for purchase of 1 vehicle;
3. The State informed that a plan for construction of AWC has been submitted to Department of Tribal Affairs.
4. The State was advised to enrol all those beneficiaries who are getting the benefits under the Scheme.

6. Lakshadweep:

1. The State informed that the UT has started Kitchen Garden under innovation under the POSHAN Abhiyaan and the same has supplied the vegetables to the entire UT during the lockdown.
2. The State clarified that no fund under salary component is required as the same has been provided by the Ministry of Home Affairs.

WEB ROOM HELD ON 25.04.2020 (Afternoon)

7. Madhya Pradesh:

1. The State informed that the vacant posts of AWWs and AWHs will be filled up within six months after lock down is over:
2. The State informed that 13,000 AWCs are under construction under different stages.
3. The State informed that the NABARD will provide the financial support for the construction of 10,000 AWCs.
4. The State also informed that about 2000 AWCs have been shifted to school premises as a rationalization of AWCs.
5. The State also implemented online tracking system for the distribution of supplementary nutrition component of the scheme.
6. The Secretary, WCD pointed out some media reports of delay in payments of rent in the past. Accordingly, the State was directed for timely payment of Honorarium and Rent directly to their bank accounts from State Headquarters/Directorate.
7. The State has expressed inability to construct child friendly toilets at the present cost norms and further informed that the approximate cost for construction child friendly toilet is Rs. 25000/-. 

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8. Kerala:

1. The State informed that remaining 203 AWCs will be operationalised during 2020-21;
2. The State informed that to take care the children of special needs, one child friendly AWC in each Panchayat will be earmarked. The State was suggested that the AWC covering a particular habitation may be ensured as movement of children of special needs should be minimized.
3. The State was asked to shift the rented AWCs to primary schools and rationalized the requirement.
4. The State asked incentive for AWW/AWH who are engaged in the work related to COVID-19 including delivery of Supplementary Nutrition at door step.

9. Telangana:

1. It was observed that a large number of vacancies were present at the level of CDPOs, Supervisors, AWWs and AWHs. The State was directed to fill the same within six months;
2. The State was asked to reconcile the figures for UC/SoE for funds released as first installment for construction of AWCs sanctioned during 2013-14;
3. The State informed that the qualification for AWW/AWH is same i.e Matriculation. On this aspect, State was advised to enhance the minimum qualification for AWW to upgrade the standard of ECCE/PSE given to beneficiaries.
4. The State informed that in tribal areas, AWWs are not having minimum qualification and Tribal Area Development Council of the State has asked to relax the minimum qualification norm for AWW. Accordingly, State was asked to submit a separate proposal seeking relaxation.
5. The State asked insurance coverage on the lines of Health Workers for AWW/AWH who are engaged in the work related to COVID-19 including delivery of Supplementary Nutrition at door step.
6. The State informed that LIC State Office Headquarter is not aware of the Insurance Coverage under PMJJBY/PMSBY/AKBY for AWW/AWH. Due to that insurance claims were delayed/un-settled.
7. The State asked whether children above the age of 6 years in the tribal areas will be covered during the lockdown period. It was clarified that as per schematic provisions beneficiaries are below 6 years of age and PW&LM.
10. Manipur:

1. It was observed that a number of vacancies were present at the level of CDPOs, Supervisors, AWWs and AWHs. The State was directed to fill the same within six months:

2. The State was asked to reconcile the figures for UC/SoE for funds released as first instalment for construction of AWCs sanctioned during 2013-14;

3. The State informed that LIC State Office Headquarter is not aware of the Insurance Coverage under PMJJBY/PMSBY/AKBY for AWW/AWH. Due to that insurance claims were delayed/un-settled.

4. The State asked insurance coverage on the lines of Health Workers for AWW/AWH who are engaged in the work related to COVID-19 including delivery of Supplementary Nutrition at door step.

11. Goa:

1. It was observed that a number of vacancies were present at the level of CDPOs, Supervisors, AWWs and AWHs. The State was directed to fill the same within six months;

2. The State informed that fund of Rs. 5 crore has been transferred to District for the construction of 17 model AWCs by Goa State Infrastructure Development Corporation (GSIDC) from State resources. The approximate cost of AWC building is Rs. 30.00 lakhs. It was suggested to share the photographs of model AWCs.

12. Himachal Pradesh:

1. It was observed that a number of vacancies were present at the level of CDPOs, Supervisors, AWWs and AWHs. The State was directed to fill the same within six months;

2. The State informed that due to Pre-School Education programme run by State Education Department, there is a decline in the number of beneficiaries in the age group of 3-6 years.


13. Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu:

1. The UT administration clarified that a total of 405 Main-AWCs are functional and there is one vacancy of CDPO and 11 vacancy of supervisor. The UT was directed to fill the same within six months

2. The UT also informed that all the 133 AWCs which are currently operationalised through rented buildings will be shifted to Government premises during 2020-21.

3. The UT was also directed to send combine proposal of APIP 2020-21;
4. The UT was also informed that a consolidated LoA will be issued from MWCD to the UT of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu. Accordingly, appropriate procedural changes may be incorporated in the UT Administration.

14. Jammu & Kashmir:

1. It was observed that a number of vacancies were present at the level of CDPOs, Supervisors. The State was directed to fill the same within six months;
2. The UT informed that remaining 2339 AWCs will be operationalised during 2020-21;
3. The UT was asked to shift the rented AWCs to primary schools and rationalized the requirement;
4. The UT was asked to reconcile the figures sent in the APIP proposals and send it under the signature of Principal Secretary.
5. The UT informed that the non-availability of land at Panchayat level is the major constraint for the construction of New AWCs.

VIDEO CONFERENCE HELD ON 29.04.2020(Forenoon)

15. Andhra Pradesh:

1. It was observed that a number of vacancies were present at the level of Supervisors, AWWs and AWHs. The State was directed to fill the same within six months;
2. The State requested to sanction 3 more projects under tribal areas due to State Bifurcation Amendment Act and the State was advised to rationalized the available sanctioned projects:
3. The State also requested to allow refresher training of the field functionaries. The State was advised to submit separate proposal.
4. The State was also requested to relax the norms for Supervisor i.e 1 supervisor per 25 AWCs in Tribal Sparse Population Distribution. State was advised to rationalized the requirements among the approved strength;
5. The State was also requested to allow ACDPOs for the projects with more than 600 AWCs but it was clarified that the post of ACDPOs was discontinued under the revised scheme.
6. The State mentioned that the State was unable to delete the entries of children who are migrated out to schools from ICDS-CAS.

(Signed)
(RAM BACHAN)
Secretary
Ministry of Women & Child Dev.
Government of India
New Delhi
16. Odisha:

1. It was observed that a number of vacancies were present at the level of Supervisors, AWWs and AWHs. The State was directed to fill the same within six months;
2. The State informed that remaining 1567 AWCs will be operationalised during 2020-21;
3. The State informed that the cost norm for the construction of toilets in AWCs may be revised to Rs. 40,000/- as the present rates are not sufficient;
4. The State was clarified that funds for the training of field functionaries will be given for Government run training centres/institutes.
5. The State emphasized the need of funds under medicine kit component in the wake of COVID-19.
6. It was clarified that there is no separate fund for the construction of kitchen in AWCs. However, the State was suggested to consider it under the upgradation of AWCs.

17. Delhi:

1. It was observed that a number of vacancies were present at the level of CDPOs, Supervisors, AWWs and AWHs. The State was directed to fill the same within six months;
2. The UT informed that there is no plan for the construction of new AWCs. But the UT was directed to shift the AWCs running in rented premises to nearby Primary School Buildings in the same habitation; and
3. The UT informed that all the AWCs have drinking water and toilet facility;
4. The UT also informed that they have clubbed 2-3 AWCs in one premises to increase timing of operation of AWCs. Some of such clubbed AWCs acts as crèche also.

18. Chandigarh:

1. It was observed that one vacancy at CDPO and Statistical Assistant were present. The UT was directed to fill the same within six months;
2. The UT stated that the cost norms of rented place with an area of 500-600 sq.ft within the cost norm of Rs. 4000/- is not available. The UT requested to relax the norms;
3. The UT was directed to shift the AWCs running in rented premises to nearby Primary School Buildings in the same habitation;
4. The UT was asked to reconcile the figures sent in the APIP proposals and send it under the signature of Principal Secretary.
19. Ladakh:

1. It was observed that a number of vacancies were present at the level of CDPOs, Supervisors, AWWs and AWHs. The State was directed to fill the same within six months;
2. The UT informed that the cost norm for the construction of toilets in AWCs may be revised to Rs. 1,00,000/- as the present rates are not sufficient. The UT was advised to explore the possibility of moveable toilets from DRDO/Defence establishment;
3. The UT informed that Rs. 5100/- was paid to AWWs as an honorarium in the State of Jammu & Kashmir earlier. Now, being the Ladakh as a UT get only Rs. 4500/- as Gol Share and UT was advised to take the matter with MHA for additional grants.

VIDEO CONFERENCE HELD ON 30.04.2020(Forenoon)

20. Gujarat:

1. It was observed that a number of vacancies were present at the level of CDPOs, Supervisors, AWWs and AWHs. The State informed that all the vacancy under AWW and AWH will be filled by the end of July, 2020 through online portal. The State was directed to fill the same within six months;
2. The State informed that the construction of 3200 AWCs are under construction at present under MGNREGS and the State proposes construction of 1000 new AWCs during 2020-21;
3. The State also informed the construction of 190 AWCs under Tribal Area Sub-Plan Fund, 144 AWCs from other resources, 136 AWCs from Aspirational District Fund, 106 AWCs from District Mineral Fund;
4. The State are also informed that most of the rented buildings are in urban areas;
5. The State informed that 85 % of AWCs have sanitation facilities;
6. The State reported that 13% of beneficiaries below the age of 6 years are under weight, out of which 3 % are in the category of severely under-weight category;
7. The State also requested to sanction 90 posts of CDPO in rural project and 7 new post for urban project and the Sate was advised to rationalized the available sanctioned projects.

21. Arunachal Pradesh:

1. The State expressed inability to construct toilets and provide drinking water facilities at the present cost norms. The State also requested State Government to provide top –up amount;
2. The State requested to sanction Rs. 5.00 Cr for a pilot project in 500 AWCs @ Rs. 1.00 lakh per AWC which was not agreed by the Ministry;
3. The State demanded Rs. 17.00 Cr for livelihood generation programme for AWCs which was not agreed to;
4. The State also requested Rs. 10.00 lakh per AWCs for the construction of model AWCs.
5. The State also requested to construct Pota Cabin AWC in place of pacca building on the line of Defence establishment.
6. The State also requested to release funds for the purchase of 10 vehicles in the State.
7. It was observed that the number of post of Supervisors are more than that of sanctioned strength and the State was advised to rationalized the post as per the schematic norms.
8. The State informed that there are no beneficiaries under MAM and SAM category.

22. Uttarakhand:

1. It was observed that a number of vacancies were present at the level of CDPOs, Supervisors, AWWs and AWHs. The State was directed to fill the same within six months;
2. The State informed that about 9500 AWCs are operationalised from rented buildings and the State was asked to shift the rented AWCs to primary schools and rationalized the requirement;
3. The State also informed that the construction cost for AWCs in the State will be Rs. 705 lakhs;
4. The State also complete the construction of 1810 AWCs buildings which were sanctioned earlier at the pre-revised cost norms during 2020-21;
5. The State also proposed to construct 5303 AWCs during 2020-21;
6. The State was advised to tap the funds for the construction of AWCs from BADP and the State informed that only 5 district are covered under BADP and will try to get the funds;
7. The State also informed that 220 AWCs are being constructed by HANS foundation and some of the AWCs building will be constructed from Mining funds;
8. The State also requested to release funds for the purchase of 2 vehicle in the State;

23. A& N Island:

1. The UT informed that 3 AWCs were closed due to lack of beneficiaries and the same will be relocated after the lockdown;
2. The UT proposed to construct 89 AWCs buildings under MGNREGS and upgrade 431 AWCs during 2020-21;
3. The UT also informed that they proposed to construct 31 AWC building from UT budget, 46 AWC building under Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram and 61 AWC building under RURBAN programme;
4. The UT also informed that 131 toilets will be constructed from the funds of different scheme/programmes.
24. Tamil Nadu:

1. It was observed that a number of vacancies were present at the level of CDPOs, Supervisors, AWWs and AWHs. The State was directed to fill the same within six months;

2. The State informed the construction of 2202 AWC buildings have already been completed and the construction of 2101 AWC buildings is under progress;

3. The State also informed that the State is trying to shift the rented AWCs to primary schools;

4. The State informed that the cost of construction of toilets in AWC is very less. However the State is constructing child friendly toilets in AWCs @ Rs. 38,000/-per unit for which they are getting funds from MGNREGS and Panchayats.

VIDEO CONFERENCE HELD ON 05.05.2020(Forenoon)

25. Bihar:

1. It was observed that a number of vacancies were present at the level of CDPOs, Supervisors, AWWs and AWHs. The State informed that 30 CDPOs were appointed last year, fulfill all the vacancy of the supervisor by the end of this year and vacancies of AWWs and AWHs will be filled after the lockdown;

2. The State also informed that 11000 AWCs were made operationalised during 2019-20;

3. The State also requested to utilize its own fund to construct AWCs and the Secretary clarified that if the State Government construct AWCs from its own funds than claim under MGNREGS will not be reimbursed;

4. The State further informed that the State also tried to tap funds from Minorities Affairs for the construction of AWCs but unable to get it;

5. The State mentioned that the main reason for increase in number of beneficiaries is due to opening of new AWCs during 2019-20;

6. The State was requested to clarify the decrease in number of SAM children from 10,36,680(2018-19) to 2,89,830(2019-20);

7. The State also informed that all AWCs have toilet and drinking water facilities;

8. The State also informed that 310 new AWCs were opened in Muzaffarpur due to acute encephalitis syndrome;

9. The State is also collecting bank details of beneficiaries for implementation of NFSA for DBT purpose;

10. The State also informed that Ministry of Health is allowing the State Government to develop their own platform to collect the data.
26. **Chhattisgarh:**

1. It was observed that a number of vacancies were present at the level of CDPOs, Supervisors, AWWs and AWHs. The State informed that recruitment of AWWs & AWHs is under process and will be filled within 2 months, for the recruitment of CDPOs and Supervisors, there are some issues pending in High Court regarding roster. However, the appointment of 15 CDPOs will be completed by the end of this month;
2. The State informed that District Mineral Funds are being used for the construction of AWCs in some districts
3. The State requested to enhance the rent of AWCs in Urban Areas;
4. The State also informed that all AWCs have toilet and drinking water facilities by the end of 2020-21;
5. It was observed that there was a drop in number of beneficiaries;
6. The State also asked whether the State can give eggs in LWE areas;
7. The State proposed to provide digital training to functionaries of Anaganwadi Services.

27. **Rajasthan:**

1. It was observed that a number of vacancies were present at the level of CDPOs, Supervisors, AWWs and AWHs. The State was directed to fill the same within six months and the State was also clarified that the post of ACDPOs has been discontinued under the revised guidelines;
2. The State also informed that they are taking 150 Supervisor on deputation from the Department of Women Empowerment;
3. The State also informed that availability of land in Urban Areas is main reason for the operationalisation of AWCs through rented building;
4. The State also requested to enhance the cost norms of POL from Rs. 2.50 lakhs to Rs. 2.88 lakhs in districts like Jaisalmer whereas the cost norm is Rs. 1.90 lakhs and Secretary, MWCD advised the State to send a separate proposal for the same and it will be done only after the revision of scheme;
5. The State also proposes to construct of 1000 new AWCs under MGNREGS and for construction of toilets and drinking water facilities.

28. **Jharkhand:**

1. It was observed that a number of vacancies were present at the level of CDPOs, Supervisors, AWWs and AWHs. It was informed that the State had written to JPSC for filling in the vacant posts. The State informed that the post of Supervisor will be filled by the end of this year. The State further informed that the post of AWW/AWHs will be filled in at the earliest;
2. The State was also advised to shift AWCs from rented premises to nearby school or government building and the State informed that recently 500 AWCs have been shifted to schools and they are planning to shift more in future due to the merger of 2-3 school in one building by the State and the State will shift 1500 AWCs in primary school during current financial year;
3. The State also demanded only rice allocation under WBNP as there is no requirement of wheat. Secretary, MWCD advised to send the revised proposal of WBNP;
4. The State also informed that some AWCs buildings had been constructed from the Panchayat Funds.
5. The State requested to sanction additional AWWs in high burden districts whereas the same has been discontinues in the revised scheme.

29. Meghalaya:

1. It was observed that a number of vacancies were present at the level of CDPOs, Supervisors, AWWs and AWHs The State informed that the advertisement for the recruitment of 7 CDPOs have already been published and all the vacancies will be filled within six months;
2. The State also requested to sanction 6 DPOs post in addition to already sanctioned strength of 5 DPOs because of the increase in number of Districts. Secretary, MWCD advised to send a separate proposal along with the gazette notification of newly created districts;
3. The State also informed that 13 AWCs have been constructed from the funds available from Traibal Affairs23 AWCs have been constructed form the funds available from North East Infrastructure Development and 33 AWCs have been constructed form the funds available from Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakaram;
4. The State asked insurance coverage for AWW/AWH who are engaged in the work related to COVID-19 including delivery of Supplementary Nutrition at door step.

30. Puducherry:

1. It was observed that a number of vacancies were present at the level of Supervisors, AWWs and AWHs The State informed that they have send a proposal to UPSC for the recruitment of Supervisor, meanwhile they are appointing Supervisor on contractual basis and fulfil all the vacancies of AWWs/AWHs by the end of September, 2020;
2. The UT administration also informed that the non availability of land is the major reason for operationalisation of AWCs through rented premises in Urban Ares;
3. The UT also informed that they have tried to tap funds from Rural Development Department for the construction of AWCS and RD assured the construction 6 AWCs from its own funds;
4. The UT also informed that Rs. 2.00 crore is still available under SNP for the F.Y 2020-21 due to excess release under SNP during 2016-17 and 2017-18.
31. **Nagaland:**

1. The State informed that there is no vacancy at any level;
2. The State also proposes to construct 525 AWCs under MGNREGS during 2020-21
3. A discrepancy was seen in the number of beneficiaries as stated by the State in MPR and the proposal submitted by the State. The State was asked to rectify the same.
4. The State also informed about the liability of last year under training programme and the Secretary clarified that there will be on induction training.
5. The State informed that they have submitted the number of SAM children on the basis of survey conducted by the State recently. Secretary directed the State to submit the report of the survey to this Ministry.

**VIDEO CONFERENCE HELD ON 06.05.2020(Forenoon)**

32. **Punjab:**

1. It was observed that a number of vacancies were present at the level of CDPOs, Supervisors, AVWs and AWHs. The State informed that a proposal had been sent to Punjab Public Service Commission for the recruitment of CDPOs and all the remaining vacancy will be filled within 2 months;
2. The State informed that no AWC building was constructed during 2019-20 and the State is tapping funds from CSR for the construction of AWCs. The State also informed that 18 AWCs will be constructed from CSR funds. In this regards, State was requested to send a detailed report of their intervention during last year and current year and what are modalities they are adopting;
3. The State also informed that Punjab Sanitation Department has sufficient funds for the construction of toilets and providing drinking water facilities in AWCs. Secretary, MWCD directed State to send all the details which are followed by Punjab Sanitation Department for construction of toilets and providing drinking water facilities in AWCs;
4. The State Government also informed that outreach activities and door to door distribution during lockdown increases the number of beneficiaries;
5. The State also informed that the number of SAM/MAM children is around 1,00,000;
6. The State also requested to revise the cost norms of SNP to provide more nutrient food during lockdown and Secretary, MWCD advised the State to send a separate proposal for the same and it will be done only after the revision of scheme;
7. The State also suggested to adopt door to door distribution of THR instead of HCM and Secretary, MWCD advised the State to send a separate proposal for the same;
8. The State also informed that most of the AWCs have been mapped.
33. **Uttar Pradesh:**

1. It was observed that a large number of vacancies were present at the level of CDPOs, Supervisors, AWWs and AWHs. The State informed that a proposal had been sent to Uttar Pradesh Public Service Commission for the recruitment of CDPOs and will be filled within a year and all the remaining vacancy will be filled within 2-3 months;

2. The State demanded funds for the construction of 2500 remaining AWCs under MGNREGS for 2016-17. However, it was clarified that funds for the construction of all the 20602 approved AWCs had been released during 2016-17 itself.

3. The State was also informed that there is an unspent balance of Rs. 515.00 cr under General Component as on 01.04.2019.

34. **Assam:**

1. It was observed that a number of vacancies were present at the level of CDPOs, Supervisors, AWWs and AWHs. The State informed that 278 AWWs are promoted to Supervisor recently and the remaining vacancies of supervisor will be filled by direct recruitment process within 4 months and vacancies of AWWs and AWHs will be filled after the lockdown;

2. The State also submitted a proposal to NITI Aayog for the construction of model AWCs in 5 Aspirational Districts.

3. The State informed they had sent a proposal for vehicles wherein they had made a request for 10 vehicles;

4. A discrepancy was seen in the number of beneficiaries as stated by the State in MPR and the proposal submitted by the State. The State was asked to rectify the same;

5. The State also informed that one MLA has arranged Rs. 10.00 cr from the State Govt. for the construction of new AWCs in his constituency.

6. Secretary, MWCD directed the State to send a detailed note on the plan for the construction of new AWCs;

7. The State informed that approximately 40,000 AWCs do not have toilet and drinking water facilities. In this regards, State was directed to tap the funds from DONER, CSR, MLTP, BAP, Tribal Affairs, NITI Aayog, MPLAD and Oil Companies.

35. **Tripura:**

1. It was observed that a number of vacancies were present at the level of CDPOs, Supervisors, AWWs and AWHs. The State informed that recruitment/promotion process of Supervisor in the State of Tripura has been stopped by the Hon'ble Court. Recently, the Govt. of Tripura allowed to fill the post of Supervisor on contractual basis for one year;

2. The State proposes to construct 234 new AWCs under MGNREGS during 2020-21;
3. The State also informed the Department of North Eastern Region has already approved the construction of 51 new AWCs @ Rs. 8.00 lakh per AWCs.

36. **Sikkim:**

1. The State informed that there is no vacancy at any level;
2. The State also informed that the non availability of land is the major reason for operationalisation of AWCs through rented premises in Urban Areas;
3. It was observed that there is a drop in number of beneficiaries. The State informed that due to low fertility rate in the State and migration of beneficiaries to school are the main reasons for drop in number of beneficiaries.

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