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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Minutes of 6th Meeting of Executive Committee of POSHAN Abhiyaan.

6th Meeting of Executive Committee of POSHAN Abhiyaan (Prime Minister's Overarching Scheme for Holistic Nourishment) was held on 29th March, 2019 at Civil Services Officers' Institute (CSOI), New Delhi under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Ministry of Women and Child Development (MWCD).

2. Minutes of 6th Executive Committee Meeting are enclosed herewith for information and necessary action.


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3. Secretary, Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation
4. Secretary, Ministry of Rural Development
5. Secretary, Ministry of Panchayati Raj
6. Secretary, Ministry of Tribal Affairs
7. Secretary, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution
8. Secretary, Department of School Education and Literacy
9. Secretary, Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs
10. Secretary, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
11. Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change
12. Secretary, Ministry of New and Renewable Energy
13. Secretary, Ministry of AYUSH
14. Secretary, Ministry of Power
- 15 - 19. Chief Secretaries of Assam, Chhattisgarh, Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra and Gujarat
- 20 - 24. Chief Secretaries of Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan
25. Chairperson, FSSAI
26. Adviser, Health & Nutrition – NITI Aayog
27. Director, ICMR
28. Dr. R. C. Panda, Member of Governing Board, Coalition for Food & Nutrition Security
29. Ms. Deepika Shrivastava, OSD, NITI Aayog
30. Director – NIPCCD
31. Director – NIHFV
32. Director – NIN
- 33 - 42. DC/DMs from 10 districts of Bahraich, Shravasti, Balrampur, West Singhbhum, Siddharthnagar, Sitamarhi, Gonda, Sitapur, Koppal, Yadgir

Copy to:

1. PS to Vice Chairman, NITI Aayog
2. Joint Secretary, PMO

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3. PPS to Secretary, MWCD
4. The Principal Secretaries/Secretaries, Department of Women & Child Development / Social Welfare of the 29 States and 07 Union Territories

Minutes of 6th Meeting of Executive Committee of POSHAN Abhiyaan held on 29th March, 2019 at CSOI, New Delhi

Executive Committee, the Apex body for all nutrition related activities under POSHAN Abhiyaan, convened its 6th Executive Committee Meeting on 29th March, 2019 at Civil Service Officers' Institute (CSOI), New Delhi under the Chairmanship of **Shri Rakesh Srivastava**, Secretary, Ministry of Women and Child Development (MoWCD).

2. The list of participants is annexed at **Annexure I**.
3. At the outset, Shri Aditya Chopra, Executive Director, POSHAN Abhiyaan, welcomed all members and presented the Agenda for the meeting.
4. **Shri Rakesh Srivastava, Secretary, MoWCD** at the outset expressed his satisfaction on the pace of roll-out of POSHAN Abhiyaan in the year 2018 and urged everyone to expedite the achievements of goals and targets envisaged in the Mission. He informed the members that National Agri-Nutrition Conference was held this month and a National Level Agri Nutrition Policy is planned to be framed by June,2019. He conveyed about the successful implementation of POSHAN Pakhwada and its astounding results and reach. He urged the states to expedite the pace of activities and timely submission of expenditure details. He emphasised that DM/DCs should act as role models and monitor all the components of the Mission and become examples for others. He advised all the States/UTs to complete the procurement of Smartphones and GMDs at the earliest.
5. **Joint Secretary, MoWCD and Mission Director, POSHAN Abhiyaan** requested Executive Committee members to consider confirmation of minutes of 5th Executive Committee Meeting held on 22nd January, 2019. The Executive Committee confirmed the same. Thereafter, the Action Taken (ATR) Reports on 5th Executive Committee Meeting and the progress on decisions of 4th National Council Meeting were presented. The same are attached at **Appendix A and Appendix B**.
6. Update on Poshan Pakhwada was given by Col. Sameer Kanwar (Retd.) wherein overwhelming response from the States/UTs was highlighted. Role of other stake holders was also highlighted. It was brought out that the data capture in the Poshan Pakhwada dash board was being analysed and it was directed a report on Poshan Pakhwada be released in the next Executive Committee Meeting.
7. Shri Sanjiv Gajraj, Executive Director, POSHAN Abhiyaan gave a brief about the one-day Agri-Nutrition Conference organised by the Ministry in New Delhi on 15th March, 2019. He brought out the recommendations which came out as part of the Conference. It was directed that a convergence guidelines be prepared by MoWCD in conjunction with Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare (MoAFW) and other stake holders by May, 2019 under the overall Convergence Umbrella of POSHAN Abhiyaan to be implemented at State/ UT level.
8. Presentation was made by **Ms. Vandana Gurnani, Joint Secretary, MoHFW** on initiatives taken by MoHFW for POSHAN Abhiyaan. She presented the various

initiatives like HBNC, HBYC, MAA, IDCF, NDD, UIP, AMB, LMC. She also talked about the new initiatives and new vaccines launched under Universal Immunisation Programme (UIP). A presentation was made by **Dr. A. Raghu, Joint Advisor (Ayurveda), MoAYUSH** on future Collaborations & Future Road Map. He elaborated on discussions held by the Joint Working Group which includes representatives from MoWCD, MoHFW and MoAYUSH.

9. **Dr. R.C. Panda, Member of Governing Board, Coalition for Food & Nutrition Security** highlighted the significance of Mother and Child Protection (MCP) card and suggested inclusion of nutrition aspect in the same.

10. **Brief from States.** Representatives from States of Telangana, Punjab, Uttarakhand and Bihar briefed on the implementation status of roll-out of POSHAN Abhiyaan including the progress on all the components of the mission. States also projected the challenges being faced in the roll-out of the mission. During the discussions it was clarified that POSHAN Abhiyaan is an ongoing scheme, the roll-out and its implementation is not impacted by the Model Code of Conduct. A letter to this effect received from Election Commission of India has already been disseminated to the States/UTs.

11. Display of “**Governance Dashboard**” was carried out. Members were briefed on the Governance Dashboard which has been developed to monitor the roll-out and implementation of POSHAN Abhiyaan and its components. It was brought about that the training on the dashboard would commence with effect from the first week of April, 2019 at States/UT level. The entry would be carried out at the block level. The Swasth Bharat Preraks (SBPs) could be utilised effectively towards populating the dashboard with data.

12. The Committee was briefed in detail on the status of **Concurrent Evaluation of POSHAN Abhiyaan**. It was brought out that the roll-out of POSHAN Abhiyaan was at a critical stage and to ensure comprehensive concurrent evaluation it is essential to ensure that the survey is initiated by June/July,2019. During the discussions it emerged that such Third Party Surveys/Evaluations are normally mandated by the concerned Ministry implementing the theme. Representative from NITI Aayog, was requested to take the point forward.

13. The Committee was briefed on the Hon’ble Supreme Court judgement in the case concerning PUCL vs UoI. **Ms. Indra Mallo, Commissioner, ICDS, Maharashtra** confirmed compliance of directions passed by the Hon’ble Supreme Court.

14. A brief update on the status of AAA pilot being conducted at Mathura, in collaboration with MoHFW was given to the Committee. MoHFW was requested to conclude the pilot along with MoWCD by June, 2019. It was further requested that a joint protocol be developed between MoWCD and MoHFW to take forward the indicators for software development.

15. Decisions taken in the meeting are as follows:

(a) MoHFW has shared the draft VHSND guidelines with MoWCD on 28th March, 2019. The same should be circulated among the members of Executive Committee for further feedback and finalization.

[Action: MoWCD and MoHFW]

(b) The process of operationalisation of AWCs in Bihar to be completed at the earliest but not later than June, 2019. If there is any further delay in opening AWCs at Odisha, the number of AWCs not operationalized may be distributed to other States where there are demands for additional number of AWCs.

[Action: States of Odisha and Bihar]

(c) The additional expenditure of Rs. 0.60 per kg towards rice fortification to be included in the overall procurement incidentals without burdening the States or the concerned Ministry/Department.

[Action: DoFPD and FSSAI]

(d) A presentation to be made by Secretary, DoSEL at NITI Aayog with complete status on availability of drinking water and sanitation facility in schools all across all States/UTs.

[Action: MoDWS and MoHRD]

(e) The process of procurement of Smart phones and GMDs to be expedited by all States/UTs.

[Action: All States/UTs]

(f) States of Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan to give the names of two blocks each in earmarked districts of the State on priority, for pilot on Conditional Cash Transfer.

[Action: States of Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan]

(g) All States/UTs should ensure timely submission of Utilization certificates towards expenditure of funds.

[Action: All States/UTs]

(h) Draft Guidelines for tackling malnutrition under Urban areas be presented during next Executive Committee.

[Action: MoWCD and MoHUA]

(j) Policy Guidelines on Agri-Nutrition to be made and presented during the next Executive Committee.

[Action: MoWCD and MoAFW]

(k) Teams from CPMU to visit States/UTs in April, 2019 to assess roll-out of POSHAN Abhiyaan in respective States/UTs.

[Action: MoWCD and All States/UTs]

(l) NITI Aayog to vet the RFP for Concurrent evaluation of POSHAN Abhiyaan.

[Action: NITI Aayog and MoWCD]

Meeting ended with Vote of Thanks to the Chair.

LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

Representatives from Line Ministries

Shri Manoj Jhalani	Additional Secretary, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
Ms. Vandana Gurnani	Joint Secretary, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
Ms. Neeta Kejrewal	Joint Secretary, Ministry of Rural Development
Shri Roshan Jaggi	Joint Secretary, Ministry of AYUSH
Shri Jaideep Singh Kochher	Economic Advisor, Ministry of Tribal Affairs
Ms. Sutapa Majumdar	Economic Advisor, Ministry of New and Renewable Energy
Dr. Sila Deb	Deputy Commissioner (Child Health), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
Ms. Uma Chauhan	Director, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
Dr. A. Raghu	Joint Advisor (Ayurveda), Ministry of AYUSH
Shri Yogender Singh	Director, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
Shri Kshitij Kushagra	Additional Director, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
Shri K.M.S. Khalsa	Deputy Secretary, Department of Food and Public Distribution
Shri P.K. Singh	Deputy Secretary, Department of School Education and Literacy
Ms. Deepa Anand	Deputy Secretary, Department of School Education and Literacy
Shri Alok Jawahar	Under Secretary, Department of School Education and Literacy
Shri Rajeev Saxena	Under Secretary, Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation
Ms. Kriti Chugh	Assistant Director, Food Safety and Standards Authority of India
Dr. Anindita Shukla	Chief Consultant (Mid-Day Meal), Ministry of Human Resource Development
Shri Maha Bir Pershad	Consultant, Ministry of Panchayati Raj

NITI Aayog

Ms. Deepika Srivastava	Senior Consultant, NITI Aayog & EC-PM
Ms. Anamika Singh	Director (WCD & Nutrition), NITI Aayog

Representatives from Institutions

Dr. Ramesh Chandra Panda	Member of Governing Board, Coalition for Food and Nutrition Security
Dr. Nanthini Subbiah	Associate Professor, National Institute of Health and Family Welfare
Col. Sameer Kanwar (Retd.)	Head, TNRC, Tata Trusts
Ms. Mridu Markan	Operation Manager, TNRC, Tata Trusts
Shri B. Ramkrishnan	Head ICT, Care India
Shri Sunil Mohanty	Program Manager, Care India
Shri Vijay Rasquinha	Representative, Mahiti
Shri Kanishka Katara	Director to Government Programme, Dimagi
Ms. Anaita Singh	Representative, Dimagi

State Representatives

Shri Pradeep Yadav	Principal Secretary, Social Welfare (FAC), Government of Tamil Nadu
Dr. Mamani Baruah	Additional Secretary, Social Welfare Department, Government of Assam
Ms. Indra Mallo	Commissioner, ICDS, Government of Maharashtra
Shri M.B. Ojha	Commissioner, WCD, Government of Madhya Pradesh
Ms. Viziendira	Director, DWDCW, Government of Telangana
Ms. Yamuna	Joint Director, SW&NMP Department, Government of Tamil Nadu
Shri Mahendra Dwivedi	Joint Director and JPC, WCD, Government of Madhya Pradesh
Shri Rakesh Vyas	State Project Director, ICDS, Government of Gujarat
Ms. Lily Chaudhary	Additional Director, WCD, Government of Punjab
Ms. Sujata	Nodal Officer (NNM), WECD, Government of Uttarakhand
Shri Satyen Deuri	Deputy Director, Social Welfare Department, Government of Assam
Shri Sangram Shinde	JPC, ICDS, Government of Maharashtra
Ms. Shweta Sahay	Assistant Director and JPC, ICDS, Government of Bihar
Dr. Rahul Sahu	Technical Specialist (H&N), DWDCW, Government of Telangana
Shri Abhishek Latawa	Swastha Bharat Prerak, WCD, Punjab

District Representatives

Shri Raj Kapur	District Programme Officer, ICDS, Sitapur, Uttar Pradesh
Shri Dilip Kumar Pandey	District Programme Officer, ICDS, Gonda, Uttar Pradesh
Ms. Shashi Varsheny	District Programme Officer, ICDS, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh
Shri Shivsharan Saini	Child Development Project Officer, ICDS, Bahraich, Uttar Pradesh
Shri Mahendra Verma	Child Development Project Officer, ICDS, Shravasti, Uttar Pradesh

MoWCD and CPMU

Shri Rakesh Srivastava	Secretary, MoWCD
Shri Rabindra Panwar	Officer on Special Duty and Secretary (Designate)
Dr. Rajesh Kumar	Joint Secretary, MoWCD & Mission Director, POSHAN Abhiyaan
Shri Aditya Chopra	Executive Director, POSHAN Abhiyaan
Shri Sanjiv Gajraj	Executive Director, POSHAN Abhiyaan
Shri Sunil Kumar Choudhary	Project Manager
Shri Dinesh Swaroop Mishra	Project Manager
Shri Mani Ram	Project Manager
Shri Krishna Mohan Mishra	Project Manager
Dr. Sudha Goel	Project Manager
Ms. Mona Y. Jethwa	Consultant
Ms. Shalini Singh	Consultant
Shri Ravi Jain	Consultant
Ms. Mamta Singh	Project Associate
Shri Amit Gupta	Project Associate
Shri Yogesh Sharma	Project Associate

AGENDA

6th Meeting of Executive Committee

Venue : Civil Services Officer's Institute, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi
Date : 29th March, 2019
Time : 1100hrs – 1315hrs

Agenda No.	Time	Agenda Item	Speaker
1	1100hrs - 1105hrs	Welcome of the Executive Committee and presentation of Meeting Agenda	Executive Director, POSHAN Abhiyaan
2	1105hrs - 1115hrs	Opening Remarks	Shri Rakesh Srivastava, Secretary, MoWCD
3	1115hrs - 1145hrs	3.1 Confirmation of Minutes of 5 th Executive Committee held on 22 nd January, 2019. 3.2 Action Taken on the directions given in the 5 th Executive Committee Meeting. 3.3 Progress on decisions of 4 th National Council Meeting.	Dr. Rajesh Kumar, Joint Secretary, MoWCD and Mission Director, POSHAN Abhiyaan
4	1145hrs - 1155hrs	Update on Poshan Pakhwada	Executive Director, POSHAN Abhiyaan
5	1155hrs - 1205hrs	Agri- Nutrition: Way Ahead	Executive Director, POSHAN Abhiyaan
6	1205hrs - 1215hrs	6.1 Presentations by MoHFW on initiatives taken for POSHAN Abhiyaan 6.2 MoAYUSH: Future Collaborations & Roadmap	Representatives of Ministry of Health & Family Welfare and Ministry of AYUSH (5 Minutes each)
7	1215hrs - 1240hrs	Presentation by States on Implementation status of POSHAN Abhiyaan (a) Telangana (b) Punjab (c) Uttarakhand (d) Bihar (e) Jharkhand	State Representative of Telangana, Punjab, Uttarakhand, Bihar and Jharkhand. (5 Minutes each)
8	1240hrs - 1245hrs	Display of Governance Dashboard functioning	World Bank Group Representative
9	1245hrs - 1250hrs	Concurrent Evaluation of POSHAN Abhiyaan	Col. Sameer Kanwar (Retd.) Head, TNRC
10	1250hrs - 1300hrs	Open House Discussion	
11	1300hrs - 1315hrs	Concluding Remarks	Shri Rakesh Srivastava, Secretary, MoWCD
12	1315 hrs	Lunch	

Appendix A

(Refers to paragraph 5 of
Minutes of Meeting)

**Agenda Item No. 3.2: Action Taken on the directions given in the
5th Executive Committee Meeting**

S.No	Points	Action Taken so far	Responsibility
1.	Revision of Guidelines for conduct of VHSND by MoHFW in conjunction with MoWCD	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Matter addressed by MoHFW.- Letter issued to MoHFW on 11/12/2018 & 11/01/2019 (F.No.PA/5/2019-CPMU).- Draft Guidelines are yet to be prepared by MoHFW and shared with MoWCD	MoHFW and MoWCD
2.	NIN was directed to send the DPR for the National Nutrition Report at the earliest, and to be prepared to present the progress of National Nutrition Report to the Vice-Chairman, NITI Aayog.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- NIN has sent the proposal to MoWCD of an estimated cost of Rs 95.00 lakh.- File sent to IFD for release of grant.	MoWCD and NIN
3.	Expediting opening of balance 37,000 Anganwadis approximately in the country	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- States/ UTs have been directed to expedite the process of opening of non-functional AWCs.- Opening of AWCs was further re-emphasised in the APIP meetings held between 16th to 21st January, 2019.- State of Bihar has operationalised 8075 AWC by February, 2019. Bihar assured to open remaining AWCs by June, 2019.- State of Odisha also has committed to open few AWC by June, 2019.	State of Bihar, Odisha and MoWCD
4.	Update on rice fortification and informed that updates on the issue will be shared with all once feedback is received from certain States.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Updated Status received from MoCAFPD dated 10/01/2019 by No.13-19/2017-BP-II (Vol. II).- The matter is under active consideration of the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Foods & Public Distribution and once SFC meeting is held further action will be taken and intimated to all concerned.	DoFPD, FSSAI and MoWCD

5.	Suggestion from MoAYUSH for formulation of a Joint Working Group with representatives of ministry MoWCD to steer a collaborative effort, synergising the best practices, for meeting the outcomes of POSHAN Abhiyaan.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Joint Working Group (JWG) of MoWCD and MoAYUSH has been formed. - First meeting of JWG held on 11th March 2019. - Issues discussed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Promotion of cultivation of plants having nutritious value in the Kitchen Garden. - Guidelines related to the pre-conceptual, ante-natal and post-natal care during pregnancy. - Prevention and management of the sick and non-sick Severe Acute Malnutrition (SAM) Children to be explored. - Complete dossier (toxicity study, safety profile and clinical data etc.) of the suggested nutraceuticals be explored. - Various pilot studies also suggested. - Next meeting to be held after 15 days. 	MoAYUSH and MoWCD
6.	Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation should send a report on infrastructure assessment, facility of toilets & running water in Anganwadi Centres and Schools, to MoW&CD to be presented to VC, NITI Aayog in National Council Meeting on 12 th February, 2019.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ministry of DWS requested to present the report to Vice-Chairman NITI Aayog on infrastructure assessment, facility of toilets & running water in Anganwadi Centres and Schools at the earliest. - D.O letter to Secretary-DWS being sent from Secretary-WCD. 	MoWCD and MoDWS
7.	All States/UTs to procure Smartphones and GMDs by 15 th February, 2019.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Continuous follow-up & instructions being issued from time to time. - Procurement of devices is being monitored daily, through phone calls and review updates on weekly basis. - Letters from Principal Secretary to the Hon'ble PM, Vice-Chairman NITI Aayog and Hon'ble Minister of WCD have been sent to the States/UTs for procurement of Smart-phones & GMDs on priority. 	All States/UTs and MoWCD
8.	Pilot on Conditional Cash Transfer to be implemented in 2 Blocks of two Districts each in UP & Rajasthan. Scientific Steering Committee may be formed to closely monitor the outcome of CCT.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - First meeting taken by Dr. Vinod Paul, Member (H&N), NITI Aayog on 22nd February, 2019. - Scientific Steering Committee has been constituted under Dr. HPS Sachdeva. 	MoWCD

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Blocks in both the States have been finalised. - <u>Rajasthan:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <u>District – Jaipur:</u> ➤ Blocks: Chakshu ➤ <u>District- Ajmer:</u> ➤ Blocks: Kishanganj - <u>Uttar Pradesh:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <u>District-Lucknow:</u> ➤ Blocks: Chinhat and Khairabad, ➤ <u>District- Sitapur:</u> Blocks not yet intimated. - MoWCD to refine the Design of the CCT Pilot. - Notification of CCT to be issued. 	
9.	States/UTs were exhorted to utilize the disbursed funds and send the Utilization Certificate at the earliest.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Letters from Principal Secretary to the Hon'ble PM, Vice-Chairman, NITI Aayog and Hon'ble Minister of WCD have been sent to the States/UTs to expedite expenditure. 	All States/UTs
10.	Talking Points/Booklets on Nutrition to be given to Local Leaders/ MLA/ MP for sensitization.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Booklet “A Call to Action for POSHAN Abhiyaan” in English and Hindi has been forwarded to all States/UTs for further dissemination. - Booklets have been sent under DOs from Vice-Chairman, NITI Aayog and Member, NITI Aayog to MPs and MLAs respectively. 	MoWCD, NITI Aayog and All States/UTs
11.	Request of Gujarat to amend MDM can't be considered as the specifications of Smart phones has been ratified by the National Council in its last meeting held on 14 th November, 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - State informed to adhere to the laid down specifications as given in the POSHAN Abhiyaan Administrative Guidelines. 	State of Gujarat
12.	In the next Executive Committee meeting few other States/ UTs should share the best practices before the Committee.	Being planned.	All States/UTs

13.	Strategies to tackle malnutrition in urban areas should also be addressed under POSHAN Abhiyaan.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Core committee to be formed under Executive Director, POSHAN Abhiyaan for preparing Joint Guidelines for Strategies to tackle malnutrition under Urban Areas. - Committee will be co-opting SNEHA. - First Meeting held on 11th December 2018 under Chairmanship of Secretary-MoWCD. - Member (H&N), NITI Aayog took a meeting on 6th March 2019. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Representatives of NULM, MoRD, MoHUA, DWS, PRI, NRLM attended. - Commissioners from Ahmedabad, Surat and Mumbai gave out their plans and strategies. 	MoWCD, MoHUA and NRLM
14.	All the Ministries/Departments as well as the States/UTs should comply with the directions of National Council & Executive Committee and furnish regular feedbacks.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All concerned have been informed to adhere to directions of National Council & Executive Council. - Feedback being sought on regular basis. 	Line Ministries & States/UTs

Appendix B(Refers to paragraph 5 of
Minutes of Meeting)**Agenda Item No. 3.3: Progress on decisions of 4th National Council Meeting
held on 12th February 2019**

S.No	Points	Action Taken so far	Responsibility
1.	Detailed timeline/targets regarding Procurement of devices, The Chairperson directed that the Procurement process should be expedited on priority.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Procurement of devices is being monitored daily. - Status of procurement shared every Monday with NITI Aayog. 	MoWCD
2.	Utilisation of Funds: Vice-Chairman expressed his concern over dismal utilisation of funds by the States/UTs. He pointed out that 16% utilisation of allocated resources (as on date) is not acceptable at this juncture. He directed that States/UTs should utilize the funds proportionately under all the activities of POSHAN Abhiyaan by 15 th March, 2019. The full utilization plan to be shared with NITI Aayog by MoWCD on monthly basis.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Instructions issued and being followed vigorously with the States/UTs 	All States/UTs
3.	State wise best practices to collected and collated by NITI Aayog. Brochure on best practices of States/UTs has been prepared. however, there was a need to verify certain practices which has held up sharing of this booklet. It was confirmed by the Adviser, NITI Aayog that verification check would be completed in a weeks' time and the booklet will be shared thereafter.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Compendium on best practice has been reviewed from NITI Aayog. Soft copy has been shared with all States/UTs 	NITI Aayog, MoWCD
4.	Food Fortification: Minutes of Meeting chaired by the Principal Secretary to PM to review report of the NITI Aayog titled " Transforming Nutrition in India: POSHAN Abhiyaan " held on 02.02.2019 were shared with the members. These included rolling-out of fortified rice in one district per State by March 2019 and Fortification of Milk with Vitamins - A & D. Notification in this regard is to be issued by MoWCD and Department of Food and Public Distribution accordingly.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Notification for using Fortified Rice in ICDS has been issued on 28th February, 2019 by MoWCD 	MoWCD, FSSAI and DoFPD