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No. 1-5/2004-CDI  
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Ministry of Women & Child Development  

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Subject: Guidelines for setting up Mini-Anganwadi Centres under ICDS Scheme – revision of financial norms.

Sir/Madam,

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2. These guidelines have since been modified in the context of recommendations of Inter-Ministerial Task Force, wherein Government has decided to open Mini-Anganwadi Centres in the country as per the revised population norms. As per the revised population norms, a Mini-Anganwadi Centre can be opened in Rural Project on a population of 150-500 and in Tribal Project on a population of 150-300. Mini-Anganwadi Centres have been sanctioned on these revised population norms under 2nd Phase of expansion of ICDS Scheme and there is also a mention of it in the Sanction letters.

3. Further, till the year 2005, only one of the six services i.e. supplementary nutrition, was being provided in the Mini-AWCs under the ICDS. Thereafter it was decided to provide all the six services under ICDS, from Mini-AWCs also, which necessitated revision in the financial norms for these centres. Accordingly, the financial norms have been which are as under:

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6. The expenditure on account of these revised financial norms would continue to be met from the funds released for implementation of ICDS (General) Scheme.

7. Receipt of the letter may kindly be acknowledged.

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]

(Chalinder Kaaur)

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AWC per year.

(iv) Pre-School kits @Rs.250/- per Mini-AWC per year.

(v) Contingencies @Rs.25/- p.m.

(vi) Stationery cost @Rs.100/- per Mini-AWC per year.

TOTAL: Rs.9350/-

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NON-RECURRING COST

(i) Utensils and Stove Rs.500/- Rs.2000/-
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