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Government of West Bengal Department of Women & Child Development and Social Welfare Bikash Bhaban, Salt Lake, Kolkata -91

No. 331-SW/O/3S-01/2021

From: Shri A. K. Mitra

Joint Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal

To: The Principal Accountant General (A & E), W.B.

Treasury Buildings, Kolkata 700 001

Sub: Administrative Approval for switching from solid and other fuels to LP Gas for cooking of Hot Cooked Meal in Anganwadi Centres (AWCs) under ICDS

Sir,

In partial modification of Memo No.2717-(2)-SW/O/3SF-4/2010 Dated 09.10.2012, I am directed by the order of the Governor to say that the Governor is pleased to accord Administrative Approval to switching over from fossil fuels and/or solid fuels like firewood etc to Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) for time saving and smoke free method of cooking of Hot Cooked Meal in both Govt. run and NGO run Anganwadi Centres (AWCs) under ICDS in West Bengal to provide a safe, cleaner, tidier and modern Child Friendly AWC environment.

I am also directed to convey the approval of the State Government in this department to one-time installation cost of Rs. 8951/- per AWC for acquiring the equipments and other related costs namely, Gas Oven, pipe and valve, Cost of non-subsidised LP Gas - 2 Cylinders (14.2 Kg per cylinder), Fire Extinguisher, Security Deposit for double Cylinder, Security Deposit for regulator and Administrative Charges.

I am further directed to convey the approval of the State Government in this department to the recurring cost for refilling of LP Gas amounting to Rs. 1308.00 per AWC per month for cooking of Hot Cooked Meal in both Govt. run and NGO run Anganwadi Centres (AWCs).

The charges are to be borne from the head of accounts as follows:

- i) "74-2235-02-102-001-V-21-04" for Govt. run ICDS Projects
- ii) "74-2235-02-102-001-V-31-02" for NGO run ICDS Projects

The Finance Department, Group 'E', Government of West Bengal has accorded in principle approval for switching from solid and other fuels to LP Gas for cooking of Hot Cooked Meals in AWCs vide UO No. Group E/2020-2021/0037, dated 19/01/2021.

This order will take immediate effect.

All concerned are accordingly being informed.

Yours faithfully,

Joint Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal