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महिला एवं बाल विकास मंत्रालय
Ministry of Women & Child Development

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-1,
Dated: 25th March, 2019

To

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

Subject: Administrative Approval of Annual Programme Implementation Plans (APIPs) 2019-20 for Anganwadi Services under Umbrella ICDS Scheme - Regarding.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to the Annual Programme Implementation Plans (APIPs) 2019-20 proposals for Anganwadi Services under Umbrella Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme submitted by the State Governments/UT Administrations and to say that the Empowered Programme Committee (EPC) considered these APIP proposals received from all State Governments/UT Administrations in its meetings held through Video-Conferencing.

2. The **minutes** of the EPC meetings and the **component-wise administrative approvals** of grants-in-aid for APIP 2019-20 for each State Government/UT Administration are **enclosed**.

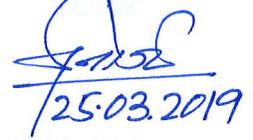
3. The State Governments/UT Administrations are requested to ensure the compliance of the following:

- (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 1st April, 2019 and the 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 past years and the number of beneficiaries reported by the respective State Government/UT Administration in the various periodical returns sent to this Ministry;
- (iii) Payment of honorarium to Anganwadi Workers (AWWs) and Anganwadi Helpers (AWHs) are to be made strictly in DBT mode through PFMS/IFMS/State payment portal;

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- (iv) The State Governments/UT Administrations 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 State Governments/UT Administrations will be settled in the 3rd Quarter of the relevant financial year.
- (v) This 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 of grants-in-aid to them.

Yours faithfully,



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Enclosure: APIP 2019-20 minutes

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[Annexure to MoWCD's letter No.14-4/2018-CD.II (e-66710), dated 25th March, 2019]

Minutes of the meetings of the Empowered Programme Committee (EPC) under Anganwadi Services [Umbrella Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme] for examination of Annual Programme Implementation Plans (APIPs) of States/UTs for the year 2019-20

PART-I

Meetings of the Empowered Programme Committee (EPC) for consideration of Annual Programme Implementation Plans (APIPs) of States/UTs for the year 2019-20 for Anganwadi Services (AS) & Scheme for Adolescent Girls (SAG) under umbrella Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme were held on 16th, 17th, 21st & 22nd January, 2019 through video-conference under the chairmanship of Shri Rakesh Srivastava, Secretary, MWCD with the officers of WCD/Social Welfare Departments of State Governments/UT Administrations and line Ministries/ Departments.

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 2019-20 but also to review performance of the States/UTs in implementing the Scheme during the previous year and to address/ consider the State/UT specific issues, if any.

3. The participants were further informed that the Government of India has already approved rationalization and continuation of Umbrella Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme as follows:

- (i) Continuation of Anganwadi Services/Scheme for Adolescent Girls as per scope, structure and cost-sharing ratio existing as on 31st March, 2017 from 1st April, 2017 to 30th November, 2017; and
- (ii) Continuation of Anganwadi Services/Scheme for Adolescent Girls 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 conveyed to all States/UTs *vide* this Ministry's letter No.11/36/2016-CD.I, dated 23rd November, 2017. The Department of Expenditure (Ministry of Finance) *vide* their O.M. No. 42(4)/PFC-II/2016 (Pt.), dated 14th November, 2018 has allowed continuation of the sub-components of the Umbrella ICDS Scheme till 31st March, 2019 as per existing norms/terms & conditions. The Department of Expenditure (Ministry of Finance) *vide* their O.M. No. 42(4)/PFC-II/2016, dated 8th March, 2019 has further allowed continuation of the sub-components of the Umbrella ICDS Scheme till 31st March, 2020 as per existing norms/terms & conditions.

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5. It was also reiterated to the States/UTs that under the revised Anganwadi Services, the GOI share for payment of salaries has been limited only to the following select regular posts with effect from 1st December, 2017:

S.No.	Name of post	No. of posts as per norms
1.	District Programme Officer	1 per District
2.	Statistical Assistant at District Level	1 per District
3.	Child Development Project Officer	1 per Project
4.	Statistical Assistant at Project Level	1 per Project
5.	Supervisor	1 for 25 Main-AWCs

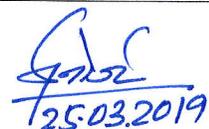
5.1 The cost sharing ratio between the Centre and the State Governments/UT Administrations for various components under Anganwadi Services effective from 01.12.2017 is as under:

States/UTs/ Particulars	Anganwadi Services (General)	Salaries	SNP	Upgradation of AWCs	Construction of toilets & drinking water facilities
States/UTs (with Legislature)	60:40	25:75*	50:50	60:40	60:40
NE/ Himalayan States	90:10	90:10	90:10	90:10	90:10
UTs (without Legislature)	100:0	100:0	100:0	100:0	100:0

* Central assistance on salaries of select Anganwadi Services functionaries only.

6. Under existing Anganwadi Services, the component-wise norms are given as under:

S. No.	Names of the components	Cost norms
1	Salaries	Payment of salaries only to the select Anganwadi Services functionaries at District and Project Level in the following cost sharing ratio between the Centre & States/UTs: States/UTs (with Legislature) - 25:75 8 NE & 3 Himalayan States - 90:10 UTs (without Legislature) - 100:0


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2	Supplementary Nutrition	(i) Children (6 months to 72 months): ₹ 8/- per child per day. (ii) Severely malnourished children (6 months to 72 months): ₹ 12/- per child per day. (iii) Pregnant women & Lactating mothers: ₹ 9.50/- per beneficiary per day.
3	Medicine Kit	<u>AWCs/ Mini-AWCs</u> AWCs - ₹ 1,500/- per annum. Mini-AWC - ₹ 750/- per annum.
4	Pre-School Kit/ ECCE (including Training)	₹ 5,000/- per AWC/Mini-AWC per annum (including the cost of PSE Kit, Activity Book, etc.)
5	Administrative Expenses	<u>AWCs/ Mini-AWCs</u> AWCs - ₹ 2,000/- per annum. Mini-AWCs - ₹ 1,000/- per annum.
6	IEC	<u>AWCs/Mini-AWCs</u> ₹ 1,000/- per annum.
7	Rent	<u>AWCs/Mini-AWCs</u> Rural/Tribal - ₹ 1,000/- per month. Urban - ₹ 4,000/- per month. Metropolitan - ₹ 6,000/- per month.
8	Petrol, Oil and Lubricant (POL) /Hiring of vehicle	<u>District Cells & Project Cells</u> POL - ₹ 1,90,000/- per annum. Hiring - ₹ 2,50,000/- per annum.
9	Purchase of vehicles (for NE & Himalayan States only)	<u>State Cell</u> ₹ 5.00 Lakh to ₹ 7.00 Lakh per vehicle.
10	Monitoring & Evaluation	<u>AWCs/Mini-AWCs</u> ₹ 1,500/- per annum.
11	Equipment/Furniture (once in 5 years)	<u>AWCs/Mini-AWCs</u> AWCs - ₹ 10,000/- once in 5 years. Mini-AWCs - ₹ 7,000/- once in 5 years. [to cover the cost of water filter for serving safe clean water, furniture, equipments, etc.]
12	Uniform for AWWs & AWHs	₹ 400/- per saree/local dress for two sets per annum.
13	PMJJBY/PMSBY/AKBY, etc. for AWWs/AWHs	PMJJBY for life cover for AWWs/AWHs upto the age of 50 years; PMSBY for accidental cover for AWWs/AWHs up to the age of 59 years; modified AKBY for life cover for AWWs/AWHs beyond 50 years of age; and Female Critical Illness benefits for AWWs/AWHs (as per norms).
14	Flexi Fund	<u>AWCs/Mini-AWCs</u> ₹ 1,000/- per annum for disaster and naxal affected AWCs
15	Construction of AWC building (new buildings)	(2 nd instalment on existing cost norms for those AWC buildings for which 1 st instalment has already been sanctioned)

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16	Construction of AWC building in convergence with MGNREGS	Central share for construction of new Anganwadi buildings in convergence with MGNREGS @ ₹ 1.00 Lakh per AWC building for all States/UTs on reimbursement basis. (2 nd instalment on existing cost norms for those AWC buildings for which 1 st instalment has already been sanctioned)
17	Maintenance of AWC building (for Government owned AWC buildings only)	<u>AWCs/Mini-AWCs</u> ₹ 3,000/- per annum.
18	Upgradation of AWC building	<u>AWCs/Mini-AWCs</u> ₹ 2,00,000/- per AWC/Mini-AWC (for 20,000 AWC buildings per annum)
19	Untied Fund - Children with special needs	<u>AWCs/Mini AWCs</u> ₹ 3,000/- per child
20	Honorarium	AWWs at main-AWCs - ₹ 4,500/- per month. AWWs at mini-AWCs - ₹ 3,500/- per month. AWHs - ₹ 2,250/- per month. AWHs - ₹ 250/- per month. (performance linked incentive)
21	Training	As per norms
22	Awards	National Level - ₹ 50,000/- per annum per AWW (100 Awards) State Level - ₹ 10,000/- per annum per AWW (1275 Awards)
23	Construction of toilets in existing Government owned AWC building	₹ 12,000/- per AWC/Mini-AWC (for 70,000 Government owned AWC buildings per annum)
24	Drinking water facilities	₹ 10,000/- per AWC/Mini-AWC (for 20,000 AWCs p.a.)
25	Management cost at National level	For DBT, CCT, etc. (as per requirements)
26	Nutrition Advocacy and Quality Control	FNB (to meet the construction cost of upcoming laboratories, quality control of supplementary nutrition and nutrition advocacy)

7. States/UTs were informed that the training to Anganwadi functionaries would henceforth be imparted at Government run Anganwadi Workers Training Centres (AWTCs)/Middle Level Training Centres (MLTCs) or National Institute of Public Cooperation & Child development (NIPCCD) only. The training to Anganwadi functionaries would be limited to Induction Training/Job Training to newly recruited/promoted CDPOs, Supervisors, Anganwadi Workers (AWWs) & Anganwadi Helpers (AWHs). They were further informed that AWTCs/MLTCs run by NGOs would continue to impart training to Anganwadi functionaries as above till 31st March, 2019. Therefore, the States/UTs were advised to send proposals accordingly. However, AWTCs/MLTCs run by the NGOs have further been allowed to continue to impart training to Anganwadi functionaries as above till 31st March, 2020 purely on need basis.


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8. States/UTs were informed that the rates for supplementary nutrition under Supplementary Nutrition Programme (SNP) have been revised and most of the States/UTs have already revised the rates and sent the notification to MWCD. Remaining States/UTs were advised to get the notification issued immediately so that the benefit of the revised norms could reach to the intended beneficiaries.

9. It was further added that as per the extant provisions under Anganwadi Services, construction of AWC buildings under convergence with MGNREGS, States/UTs will first complete construction of AWC buildings as per the guidelines issued in this regard and as per the approved District Plan/Labour Budget and then approach this Ministry with complete proposal for reimbursement. Amount @ ₹ 1.00 Lakh per AWC building will be reimbursed to States/UTs only after completion of the construction work.

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

11. States/UTs were informed that the central share for 3 sets of Aadhaar Enrolment Machines for each CDPO @ ₹ 1.50 Lakh per machine has already been released. They were further requested to purchase the Computers/Laptops for adults & Tablets for children below five years along with Finger Print Scanner, Irish Scanner, multi-function printer & GPS Device from GeM Portal strictly adhering to the specifications of UIDAI at the earliest and sent SoEs/UCs to this Ministry immediately.

12. States/UTs were requested to expedite submission of SoEs/UCs against grants-in-aid released to them on the following components under Anganwadi Services:

- (i) Construction of toilets;
- (ii) Drinking water facilities;
- (iii) Procurement of Aadhaar enrolment kits;
- (iv) Anganwadi Services (General) for the year 2017-18 (1st April, 2017 to 30th November, 2017;
- (v) Anganwadi Services (General) for the year 2017-18 (1st December, 2017 to 31st March, 2018;
- (vi) Anganwadi Services (General) for the year 2018-19: 2nd / 3rd Quarter;
- (vii) Anganwadi Services (SNP) for the year 2018-19: 2nd / 3rd Quarter;
- (viii) Construction of AWC buildings;
- (ix) Upgradation of AWC buildings; and
- (x) Construction of AWC buildings in convergence with MGNREGS (2015-16 & 2016-17).

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12.1 States/UTs were also requested to saturate Aadhaar seeding coverage of beneficiaries & functionaries.

13. The APIP proposals of the States/UTs for the year 2019-20 are being considered by the Empowered Programme Committee (EPC) so as to implement the Scheme as per the approved APIP. It was emphasized that State Governments/UT Administrations should implement the programme broadly taking into account following components:

13.1 Provision may be made for honorarium for AWWs & AWHs likely to be recruited against vacant posts only.

13.2 Supplementary nutrition would be considered on the basis of the previous years' grants, expected number of beneficiaries and status of notification by States/UTs on revision of SNP rates. States/UTs are advised that after physical verification of beneficiaries by DPO/CDPO, the supplementary nutrition may be restricted to actual number of beneficiaries only.

13.3 Training of Anganwadi Services functionaries would be taken up as per the revised guidelines and emphasis would be given on e-training. The training to Anganwadi functionaries would be limited to Induction Training/Job Training to newly recruited/promoted CDPOs, Supervisors, AWWs & AWHs. The AWTCs/MLTCs run by NGOs would continue to impart training to Anganwadi Services functionaries as above till 31st March, 2019. However, AWTCs/MLTCs run by the NGOs have further been allowed to continue to impart training to Anganwadi functionaries as above till 31st March, 2020 purely on need basis.

13.4 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.

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

14.1 Salaries have 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. Salaries of other Anganwadi Services' functionaries will be paid by the States/UTs from their own resources.

14.2 Some States have requested for sanction of additional AWCs. However, it was informed that all the 14 lakh AWCs sanctioned by the Government have been allocated to the States/UTs. States/UTs have again been requested to revisit their requirements of AWCs and furnish the actual requirements of AWCs vis-à-vis number of beneficiaries to enable this Ministry to rationalize the allocation of AWCs within the approved 14 lakh AWCs.

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14.3 States/UTs have already been authorized to relocate AWCs as per their requirements and local need on the basis of extant guidelines issued by this Ministry.

14.4 States/UTs were again requested to expedite operationalization of pending AWCs allocated to them failing which the same would be considered for re-allocation to other States/UTs.

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

14.6 States/UTs must implement the revised rates for supplementary nutrition at the earliest, after necessary notifications.

14.7 The details of beneficiaries should be uploaded on the respective databases.

14.8 Data of SNP beneficiaries should be Aadhaar seeded and validated for de-duplication and removal of fake/non-existing beneficiaries.

14.9 For filling up the vacancies of Supervisors, guidelines issued by MWCD to fill up 50% of vacancies in the grade of Supervisors from among the eligible AWWs would be followed.

14.10 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.

14.11 In order to expedite filling up of vacant posts of Anganwadi Services functionaries at field level, the States/UTs have been requested to delegate powers to respective District Magistrates/District Collectors to recruit AWWs/AWHs across the country and Supervisors (against promotion quota) in Aspirational districts and expedite filling up vacancies on priority basis.

14.12 States/UTs were requested to speed up action for filling up vacant posts in all categories.

14.13 States/UTs should physically verify the beneficiaries.

14.14 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.

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

14.16 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.

14.17 In furtherance of Swachchhata Action Plan, construction of toilets and provision for drinking water facilities in AWCs to be completed immediately.

14.18 SoE should indicate the State share spent and item-wise expenditure incurred.

14.19 States/UTs must procure and distribute the Medicine kits and Pre-school Education kits as non-procurement has been viewed adversely by the Parliamentary Standing Committee and the Audit Teams.

14.20 It must be ensured that the rented premises are equipped with water & sanitation facilities.

14.21 Data on Rapid Reporting System in respect of all the AWCs in the States/UTs must be uploaded timely.

14.22 AWWs/AWHs should attend their work wearing uniform supplied/procured to/by them.

14.23 States/UTs were requested to send their requirements of foodgrains under Wheat Based Nutrition Programme (WBNP) for the year 2019-20 immediately.


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State/UT specific issues and observations

Video-Conference held on 16th January, 2019:

The Annual Programme Implementation Plans (APIPs) of **seven** States, viz., **Arunachal Pradesh; Manipur; Meghalaya; Mizoram; Nagaland; Sikkim; and Tripura** were discussed.

Most of the States informed that they have already furnished the requisite SoEs/UCs. However, they have been requested to furnish their copies in proper format. It is observed that in Manipur, %age of SAM children has increased marginally. Mizoram & Sikkim raised some issues on GeM portal which they assured to sort it out. As per records, Nagaland has achieved saturation in respect of toilets & drinking water facilities. States were also requested to make necessary corrections in their APIP proposals based on actual number of beneficiaries and revised rates of SNP/honorarium, wherever required. States were informed that the central assistance on salaries of select Anganwadi functionaries would be allowed. Induction/Job Training to newly recruited/promoted CDPOs, Supervisors, AWWs & AWHs would be allowed. States/UTs were also informed that their APIPs is being examined in detail as per extant norms based on actual number of beneficiaries, revised rates of SNP wherever applicable, revised rates of honorarium, previous years' grants-in aid released to them and other relevant factors.

Video-Conference held on 17th January, 2019:

The Annual Programme Implementation Plans (APIPs) of **eight** States/UTs, viz., **Andaman & Nicobar Islands; Chandigarh; Dadra & Nagar Haveli; Daman & Diu; NCT of Delhi; Goa; Lakshadweep; and Puducherry** were discussed.

Most of the States/UTs informed that they have already furnished the requisite SoEs/UCs. However, they have been requested to furnish their copies in proper format. A&N Islands, D&NH and D&D have claimed for POL & hiring charges both for all vehicles - however, either of them is admissible. Chandigarh informed that they have no requirement of foodgrains. Goa informed that there is no work under MGNREGS in Goa and therefore, construction of AWC buildings would require budgetary provisions @ ₹ 4.50 Lakh per AWC. In response thereto, they were asked to fund entirely from their resources. States/UTs were also requested to make necessary corrections in their APIP proposals based on actual number of beneficiaries and revised rates of SNP/honorarium, wherever required. States/UTs were informed that the central assistance on salaries of select Anganwadi functionaries would be allowed. Induction/Job Training to newly recruited/promoted CDPOs, Supervisors, AWWs & AWHs would be allowed. States/UTs were also informed that their APIPs is being examined in detail as per extant norms based on actual number of beneficiaries, revised rates of SNP wherever applicable, revised rates of honorarium, previous years' grants-in aid released to them and other relevant factors.

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Video-Conference held on 21st January, 2019 (Forenoon):

The Annual Programme Implementation Plans (APIPs) of **seven** States, *viz.*, **Andhra Pradesh; Chhattisgarh; Gujarat; Karnataka; Kerala; Maharashtra; and Telangana** were discussed.

Most of the States informed that they have already furnished the requisite SoEs/UCs. However, they have been requested to furnish their copies in proper format. It is observed that Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat & Maharashtra have large vacancies of field functionaries. Karnataka assured to fill up vacancies shortly. Maharashtra requested for amalgamation of certain AWCs due to insufficient number of beneficiaries or downward revision of population norms for an AWC. Telangana raised the issue of pending grants-in-aid under the Training Programme. States were also requested to make necessary corrections in their APIP proposals based on actual number of beneficiaries and revised rates of SNP/honorarium, wherever required. States were informed that the central assistance on salaries of select Anganwadi functionaries would be allowed. Induction/Job Training to newly recruited/promoted CDPOs, Supervisors, AWWs & AWHs would be allowed. States were also informed that their APIPs is being examined in detail as per extant norms based on actual number of beneficiaries, revised rates of SNP wherever applicable, revised rates of honorarium, previous years' grants-in aid released to them and other relevant factors.

Video-Conference held on 21st January, 2019 (Afternoon):

The Annual Programme Implementation Plans (APIPs) of **six** States, *viz.*, **Assam; Bihar; Jharkhand; Odisha; Uttar Pradesh; and West Bengal** were discussed.

Most of the States informed that they have already furnished the requisite SoEs/UCs. However, they have been requested to furnish their copies in proper format. Assam has claimed for POL & hiring charges both for all vehicles - however, either of them is admissible. Bihar & Odisha also requested for provisions for procurement of furniture. It is observed that Bihar has large number of vacancies of field functionaries and non-operational AWCs. States were requested to assess vacancies in advance and initiate action for filling up these vacancies. States were also requested to make necessary corrections in their APIP proposals based on actual number of beneficiaries and revised rates of SNP/honorarium, wherever required. States were informed that the central assistance on salaries of select Anganwadi functionaries would be allowed. Induction/Job Training to newly recruited/promoted CDPOs, Supervisors, AWWs & AWHs would be allowed. States were also informed that their APIPs is being examined in detail as per extant norms based on actual number of beneficiaries, revised rates of SNP wherever applicable, revised rates of honorarium, previous years' grants-in aid released to them and other relevant factors.


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Video-Conference held on 22nd January, 2019:

The Annual Programme Implementation Plans (APIPs) of **eight** States, viz., **Haryana; Himachal Pradesh (could not participate due to heavy snowfall); Jammu & Kashmir; Madhya Pradesh; Punjab; Rajasthan; Uttarakhand; and Tamil Nadu** were discussed.

Most of the States informed that they have already furnished the requisite SoEs/UCs. However, they have been requested to furnish their copies in proper format. Madhya Pradesh requested for provisions for procurement of furniture. Tamil Nadu has requested for flexi fund for cyclone affected AWCs. Himachal Pradesh could not participate in the V-C due to heavy snowfall. Therefore, the APIP was discussed with them over phone subsequently. States were also requested to make necessary corrections in their APIP proposals based on actual number of beneficiaries and revised rates of SNP/honorarium, wherever required. States were informed that the central assistance on salaries of select Anganwadi functionaries would be allowed. Induction/Job Training to newly recruited/promoted CDPOs, Supervisors, AWWs & AWHs would be allowed. States were also informed that their APIPs is being examined in detail as per extant norms based on actual number of beneficiaries, revised rates of SNP wherever applicable, revised rates of honorarium, previous years' grants-in aid released to them and other relevant factors.


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