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Date: 15th July, 2019

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Minutes of 7th Meeting of Executive Committee of POSHAN Abhiyaan.

7th Meeting of Executive Committee of POOSHAN Abhiyaan (Prime Minister's Overarching Scheme for Holistic Nourishment) was held on 10th June 2019 at Civil Services Officers' Institute (CSOI), New Delhi under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Ministry of Women and Child Development (MWCD).

2. Minutes of 7th Meeting of Executive Committee are enclosed herewith for information and necessary action.


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6. Secretary, Ministry of Tribal Affairs
7. Secretary, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution
8. Secretary, Department of School Education & Literacy
9. Secretary, Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs
10. Secretary, Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology
11. Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Technology
12. Secretary, Ministry of New & Renewable Energy
13. Secretary, Ministry of AYUSH
14. Secretary, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare
15. Secretary, Department of Agricultural Research and Education
- 16 - 20. Chief Secretaries of Assam, Chhattisgarh, Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra and Gujrat
- 21 - 25. Chief Secretaries of Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan
26. Chairperson, FSSAI
27. Adviser, Health & Nutrition - NITI Aayog
28. Director, ICMR
29. Dr. R. C. Panda, Member of Governing Board, Coalition for Food & Nutrition Security
30. Ms. Deepika Shrivastava, OSD, NITI Aayog

31. Director – NIPCCD
32. Director – NIHFMD
33. Director – NIN
34. Secretary, Department of Tribal Welfare, Government of Telangana
- 35 - 47. DC/DMs from 13 districts of Bahraich, Shravasti, Balrampur, West Singhbhum, Siddhartnagar, Sitamarhi, Gonda, Sitapur, Koppal, Yadgir, Mamit, Vidisha, Tirunelveli

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4. The Principal Secretaries/Secretaries, Department of Women & Child Development/ Social Welfare of the 29 States and 7 Union Territories.

Minutes of 7th Meeting of Executive Committee of POSHAN Abhiyaan
held on 10th June, 2019 at CSOI, New Delhi

Executive Committee of POSHAN Abhiyaan held its meeting on 10th June, 2019 at Civil Service Officers' Institute (CSOI), New Delhi under the Chairmanship of Shri Rabindra Panwar, Secretary, Ministry of Women and Child Development (MoWCD).

2. The list of participants is annexed at **Annexure I**.
3. At the outset, Executive Director, POSHAN Abhiyaan welcomed all members and presented the Agenda for the meeting.
4. Shri Rabindra Panwar, Secretary, MoWCD in the opening remarks expressed his concerns on the slow pace of the roll-out of different activities under POSHAN Abhiyaan and urged all the States/UTs to ensure that the targets as envisaged are achieved in time. He exhorted the representatives of States/UTs to implement the mandated activities and ensure timely utilization of funds.
5. The Chairperson stressed upon timely fund utilization by States/UTs as most of the States had poor utilization in financial year 2018-19. The States/UTs are required to carry out a detailed review, assessment and gap analysis on an urgent basis. He also urged States/UTs to expedite the establishment of State Project Management Unit (SPMU), recruitment and filling up of existing vacancies at State/District/Block and Sector level so that the program can run smoothly. He pointed out gap in procurement of devices at States/UTs level which needs to be plugged urgently. States/UTs were directed to fast track the procurement of Smart Phones and Growth Monitoring Devices (GMDs) so that field functionaries can efficiently deliver quality services. The Chairperson reiterated that there is a need to focus on the capacity building component under ICDS-CAS through Incremental Learning Approach (ILA) modules at all levels and as per the training calendar/schedule. He emphasized that two Community Based Events (CBE) and two ILAs per month at Block and Sector level must be conducted on priority. He highlighted that Village Health Sanitation and Nutrition Day (VHSND), which is a excellent convergence platform to provide package of services to beneficiaries, should be organized regularly and efficiently to provide maximum benefits to the community. Chairperson felt the need of regular Meetings at District and State level. Underlining the importance of Supplementary Nutrition Program and Early Child Care and Education (ECCE) in States/UTs, the Chairperson stated that a review to improve the quality, supply chain and management issues of THR be carried out at State level so as to ensure supplementary nutrition without any disruption to the beneficiaries. The Chairperson pointed out the importance of diet diversity which also requires to be incorporated in the daily life of children, pregnant women, lactating mothers and adolescent girls.

6. Executive Director, POSHAN Abhiyaan requested Executive Committee members to consider confirmation of minutes of 6th Executive Committee Meeting held on 29th March, 2019. The Executive Committee confirmed the same. Thereafter, the Action Taken (ATR) Reports on 6th 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**. Thereafter, Executive Director, presented the current status of POSHAN Abhiyaan.

7. Presentation on “**Initiatives on POSHAN Abhiyaan**” by MoHFW was made by **Dr. Sila Deb, Deputy Commissioner (Child Health)**. She elaborated on the various activities and their updated status under key initiatives of Home Based Newborn Care (**HBNC**), Mothers’ Absolute Affection (**MAA**), National De-worming Day (**NDD**), Universal Immunization Programme (**UIP**) and Nutrition Rehabilitation Centers (**NRCs**). She conveyed that during Poshan Maah 2018, a total of 1.8 lakh activities were conducted by MoHFW functionaries wherein 2.58 Crore beneficiaries participated. Under the Intensive Anemia “**Test, Treat and Talks (T-3)**” Strategy, camps were organized by seven AIIMS colleges all across the country treating more than 50,000 people. During Poshan Pakhwada (March, 2019), against target of 10 lakhs, a total of 48 lakh children were covered by home visits. Approximately 1.96 lakh “**Test, Treat and Talks (T-3)**” Anemia camps were organized during Poshan Pakhwada and 1.65 Crore beneficiaries were reached against the target of 1 Crore.

8. **Shri Alok Kumar, Advisor (H&N), NITI Aayog** presented the highlights on Quality & Coverage issues based on learnings from a survey conducted in 27 districts with special focus on Aspirational Districts of 8 States. The survey had focused on 15 interventions under 4 key themes (Community Engagement, Facility Transformation, Capacity Building, and Effective Scheme Implementation). The study included Ante Natal Care (ANC), Institutional Deliveries, Child Health & Nutrition and Child Health Services. While there has been a statistically significant improvement in ANC, early ANC registration, institutional deliveries, early breast feeding and treatment with ORS & Zn during diarrhoea among children less than 5 years, other variables have shown statistically non-significant change. On quality of ANC services, majority of women reported either no or inadequate number of services being provided. With regard to breast feeding practices, while districts in **Assam, Bihar & Odisha** demonstrate substantial improvements in early breastfeeding, the districts in UP did not demonstrate commensurate improvements in early breastfeeding. Districts in Assam, Bihar, Rajasthan & Uttar Pradesh were strong performers in improving Zinc treatment for diarrheal children. Under the ICDS Supplementary Nutrition Programme (SNP), against the high enrolment of 78%, only 46% pregnant and lactating women receive Take Home Ration (THR) that too for an average of 13 days. Of the 64% eligible children registered with Anganwadi Services, only 17% received a hot cooked meal in a day. The study recommended VHSND as the platform to address 20 out of 31 indicators through 6 interventions selected for implementation. Shri Alok Kumar also talked about

operationalisation of First Referral Units (FRUs), and changing health seeking behaviours of people with the help of community leaders and faith influencers. He urged to expedite the release of VHSND and Community based Management of Acute Malnutrition (CMAM) Guidelines by MoHFW and filling up vacant positions under Aanganwadi Services at various levels in the States /UTs.

9. **Shri Navendra Singh, Director ICDS, MoWCD** made a presentation on Administration of Supplementary Nutrition under Aanganwadi Services. As elaborated in the presentation, under the scheme, Supplementary Nutrition is supplied as **Take Home Ration (THR)** for Pregnant Women & Lactating Mothers (PW&LM) and Children in the age group of 6 months to 3 years and Hot Cooked Meal to children in the age group of 3-6 years. He also talked about the existing guidelines of SNP and also briefed about the relevant provisions of National Food Security Act, 2013 and Supplementary Nutrition Rules 2017. Broad contours of Operational Guidelines for Food Safety and Hygiene for Supplementary Nutrition (2013) were a part of his presentation.

10. Presentations by representatives from States of **Assam, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Rajasthan, Telangana** and **Uttar Pradesh** on implementation of SNP model was made. States presented their State profile, infrastructure, beneficiaries enrolled for SNP, the SNP menu and the various State specific innovations as per their customs and culture.

11. **Shri Jishnu Barua, Additional Chief Secretary, Social Welfare Department, Assam** highlighted the system followed in the State to fast track the fund transfer of SNP. He also talked about the new initiatives like Pratham Ahar Diwas, traditional recipe books and role of Mothers Self-Help Groups in organizing special events and preparing complementary foods with locally available ingredients.

12. **Shri K. Manivasan, Principal Secretary, Department of Social Welfare and Nutritious Meal Programme, Tamil Nadu** highlighted the initiatives taken to introduce variety and enhance nutritive values of THR with the help of nutritional experts. They also ensure the quality check by getting it first certified as **“Fit For Human Consumption”**. The microbial activity checking is done at Government Food Analysis Laboratory in Guindy.

13. **Shri Biju Prabhakar, Special Secretary, Department of Social Justice and Women & Child Development, Kerala** stated about the implementation of SNP with the support of Local Self Government Institutions (LSGI). Innovations like **Amrutham Mix (THR)** and **Akshayapathram (a fruit a day program)** are some of the initiatives with support of Kudumbashree, a mission to ensure supply of fortified food with 11 essential micronutrients.

14. **Ms. Gayatri A. Rathore, Secretary, Department of WCD, Rajasthan** presented the four stage process followed in the preparation of THR (Baby Mix) with the help of Self-Help Groups. Due care is taken by State to monitor and do the quality check of processes of distributed food. She stated that randomly collected samples are sent to NABL accredited labs.

15. Ms. Viziendira Boyi, Director, Department of Women Development and Child Welfare, Telangana talked about the unique One Spot full meal provided as Arogya Lakshmi scheme to pregnant women. She also explained about Balamrutham, supplied to beneficiaries. Lastly the web-based Supply Chain Management model of Telangana and its usefulness were highlighted.

16. **Shri Shatrughan Singh, Director, ICDS, Uttar Pradesh** made presentation on supply chain management, its transparency and quality check of “**Pushtahar**” provided to beneficiaries. He stated that hygiene and nutritive value of food items are given due consideration while planning the menu.

17. **Dr. Christina Z. Chongthu, Commissioner, Department of Tribal Welfare, Telangana,** gave presentation on “**Nutri Food Basket**” project, which primarily aimed at improving dietary diversity through introduction of Nutri Food Basket in tribal households of Adilabad, Mancherial, Komaram Bheem-Asifabad Districts of Telangana transitioning tribal households from nutrient deficient diets to diverse nutritional foods. The results of baseline and end line survey done by International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT) to assess the health status in various groups of beneficiaries among the selected districts of Telangana were presented. The scale up plan of “**Giri Poshana**” based on convergence model along with its various components was also presented.

18. **Representatives of Distt. West Singhbhum (Jharkhand), Mamit (Mizoram), Vidisha (Madhya Pradesh) and Gonda (Uttar Pradesh)** made presentations on Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) / Pre School Education. They elaborated on district initiatives and innovations incorporated under the ECCE Curriculum to improve the quality of care provided and ensuring an overall holistic development of children attending AWCs.

19. **Shri Aditya Ranjan, Deputy Development Commissioner, West Singhbhum (Jharkhand)** talked about their Model AWCs where 7 critical variables including cognitive development, fine and gross motor skills, language, self-adaptive spiritual and moral development of children are given due importance while planning the curriculum of ECCE.

20. **Dr. Lalrozama, Deputy Commissioner, Mamit (Mizoram)** explained that the State developed innovative ECCE curriculum, Activity Work Books, Story Book and Child Assessment Card and translated them in local languages for usage at all 2244 AWCs. He also mentioned about various activities are performed at AWCs for holistic physical and mental development of the children.

21. **Shri Kaushlendra Vikram Singh, District Collector, Vidisha (Madhya Pradesh)** conveyed that AWCs of the State have child friendly infrastructure such as child friendly toilets, piped water with tank, Bala paintings, sports kits etc. State has improved community participation and sensitised mothers through VHSNDs which addresses health and nutrition jointly.

22. **Dr. Nitin Gaur, Joint Magistrate, Gonda (Uttar Pradesh)** highlighted their four learning corner model (Book Corner, Art and Craft Corner, Doll Corner and Block Corner) prepared in AWCs to increase the learning and cognitive development of beneficiaries. They also ensure capacity building of DPO, CDPOs, Supervisors and AWWs in the 5 domains of development (Physical, cognitive, social and emotional, language and creative).

23. **Comments from the Members:**

(a) **Dr. R.C. Panda, Member of Governing Board, Coalition for Food & Nutrition Security** stated that all States/UTs should start documenting the progress, results and outcomes of POSHAN Abhiyaan so as to know the impact made and changes effected by the States towards ultimate desired goal of reducing malnutrition.

(b) **Ms. Deepika Shrivastava, OSD, NITI Aayog** gave the following points:

(i) NFHS-5 results may serve as the baseline data for the States to document. State plans should prioritize districts in need of special attention. Tribal nutrition strategy suited to tribal population requires a special mention.

(ii) She mentioned that States should plan innovations under different components for utilization of unutilized flexi funds.

(iii) ECCE policy of 2013 needs to be revisited with incorporations of best practices from the States.

(iv) Sensitization of PRI members on POSHAN Abhiyaan is essential as they serve as the channel to increase the community participation and influence the health seeking behaviour of community.

(v) Other means like renewable energy resources should be considered while planning the infrastructure improvement demands of AWCs.

(c) **Shri K.S. Sethi, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Panchayati Raj** put forth that the Ministry has already incorporated nutrition related activities in the Gram Panchayat Development Plan (GPDP) and requested for a concise requisites of POSHAN Abhiyaan to integrate them into their guidelines. Further, he suggested that a focussed discussion between the two Ministries is required to implement community mobilisation with the Panchayats.

(d) **Dr. D. K. Yadava, ADG (Seed), ICAR, Department of Agricultural Research and Education** emphasised on the need to grow bio-fortified varieties of crops by the States. He gave example of Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs) set up in different districts of Madhya Pradesh that support Kitchen Gardens in the region and suggested production of certain crops such as millets, etc.

(e) **Shri K.M.S. Khalsa, Deputy Secretary, Department of Food and Public Distribution** apprised the members on the administrative approval granted for fortification of rice as a Pilot Project in 15 States. He further informed that so far only 9 States have conveyed their consent out of 15 states. He highlighted that a number of States are putting forth preconditions which will delay implementation of pilot project.

(f) **Ms. Sutapa Majumdar, Economic Advisor, Ministry of New and Renewable Energy** requested the States/UTs to explore the use of renewable energy in the Anganwadi Centres, with emphasis on meal cooking equipments.

24. At last, the report on Poshan Pakhwada was released by Secretary, Ministry of Women & Child Development and Chairperson of Executive Committee.

25. **Decisions taken in the meeting are as follows:**

(a) Finalized VHSND Guidelines with essential incorporations to be released and distributed to States/UTs before the next National Council Meeting.

[Action: MoHFW]

(b) States of Odisha and Bihar to confirm the operationalization of non-functional Anganwadi Centers (AWCs) and give the progress update by July 2019.

[Action: States of Odisha and Bihar]

(c) An updated progress report on rice fortification pilot project being carried out in 15 districts of the country by July 2019.

[Action: DoFPD and concerned States]

(d) Collation of data on availability of drinking water and sanitation facility in Aanganwadis across all States/UTs by MWCD and all Schools across all States by Department of School Education, MoHRD.

[Action: MoWCD, MoDWS and MoHRD]

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

[Action: All States/UTs]

(f) Findings and results from pilot on Conditional Cash Transfer to be shared on priority.

[Action: MoWCD]

(g) States/UTs to ensure timely submission of utilization certificate (UCs) to MWCD.

[Action: All States/UTs]

(h) Draft Guidelines on Urban Nutrition Strategy be prepared on priority.

[Action: MoWCD and MoHUA]

(i) Progress made on the preparation of Policy Guidelines on Agri-Nutrition to be presented during the next Executive Committee.

[Action: MoWCD and MoAFW]

Meeting ended with Vote of Thanks to the Chair.

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Dr. Shalini Sehgal	Director (FFRC & QA), FSSAI
Shri Kshitij Kushagra	Additional Director, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
Shri Ramendra Pratap Shukla	Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation
Shri K.M.S. Khalsa	Deputy Secretary, Department of Food and Public Distribution
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Ms. Rijuta Pandav	Deputy Lead (FFRC), FSSAI
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Ms. Mridu Markan	Operation Manager, TNRC, Tata Trusts

State Representatives

Shri Jishnu Barua	Additional Chief Secretary, Social Welfare Department, Assam
Dr. K. Manivasan	Principal Secretary, Department of SW and NMP, Tamil Nadu
Shri Biju Prabhakar	Special Secretary, Department of SJ and WCD, Kerala
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Ms. Indra Mallo	Commissioner, ICDS, Maharashtra
Dr. Christina Z. Chongthu	Commissioner, Department of Tribal Welfare, Telangana
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**Agenda Item No. 3: Action Taken on the decisions taken in the
6th Executive Committee Meeting.**

S.No	Points	Action Taken So far	Responsibility
1.	<p><u>VHSND Guidelines:</u> 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.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Draft Guidelines have been prepared by MoHFW and shared with MoWCD for inputs/comments on March 28th, 2019. - Draft Guidelines with inputs & comments from all Executive Committee members have been shared with MoHFW on 15th April 2019 by MoWCD. - Final copy of guidelines awaited from MoHFW. 	<p align="center">MoHFW & MWCD</p>
2.	<p>The process of operationalisation of AWCs in Bihar to be completed at the earliest but not later than June, 2019.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - States has been directed to expedite the process of opening of non-functional AWCs. - State of Bihar has operationalised 8075 AWCs by February,2019. Bihar assured to open remaining AWCs by June,2019. - Secretary MoWCD visited Bihar on 6th May 2019 and it was assured by Chief Secretary, Bihar that remaining AWCs will be opened by end of June 2019. - State of Odisha also has committed to open few AWCs by June, 2019. 	<p align="center">State of Bihar, Odisha & MWCD</p>
3.	<p>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</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - MoWCD has agreed to the condition of Department of Food & Public Distribution to meet the additional cost @ Rs 0.60 paise per kg for blending of fortified rice. (i.e @ 6 paise per beneficiary per day (around 100gm). - This cost is to be met from the funds provided by the Ministry for Supplementary Nutrition Programme to the States/UTs at the existing rates in the prescribed cost sharing ratio. Ministry of Food & Public Distribution has accorded approval for fortification of Rice in 15 districts of 15 States as a Pilot Project. 	<p align="center">DoF&PD, FSSAI & MWCD</p>

4.	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.	- Matter being addressed by DoSEL.	DoSEL, MoHRD
5.	The process of procurement of Smart phones and GMDs to be expedited by all States/UTs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Continuous follow-up and instructions being issued from time to time. - Procurement of devices is being monitored daily, through phone calls and review updates on weekly basis. - DO Letter No PA/75/2018-ISSNIP issued on 12th April 2019 & 16th May 2019 sent to the States/UTs for expediting procurement on priority. - Issue re-emphasised during visits to Bihar, Uttarakhand & Telangana by Secretary, MoWCD. - Issue stressed upon during visits to Assam, Gujarat, Kerala, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Puducherry, Rajasthan Telangana by ED/ Project Managers on 19th to 20th May 2019 and during Joint Review Mission (27th to 31st May 2019) 	All States/UTs & MoWCD
6.	State of Uttar Pradesh & Rajasthan to give the names of two blocks each in earmarked districts of the State on priority, for pilot on Conditional Cash Transfer.	<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. - Blocks in both the States have been finalised. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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: Chinhhat ➤ <u>District-Sitapur:</u> ➤ Blocks: Khairabad - The Task Force meeting held on 6th May, 	State of UP & Rajasthan

		2019, a draft protocol is being prepared. Protocol for CCT is being finalised by committee constituted by NITI Aayog under ICMR.	
7.	All States/UTs should ensure timely Submission of Utilisation certificates towards expenditure of funds.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Matter reviewed on 14th May 2019 at highest level. - Continuous follow-up and instructions are being issued from time to time. - Issue of timely submission of UCs further emphasised in the VC chaired by Secretary MoWCD held on 2nd April 2019 and 10th May 2019. - D.O.No. NNM/11/2017-WBP dated 1st April 2019 and 16th May 2019 issued to all States/UTs regarding status of funds utilisation. 	All States/UTs
8.	Draft Guidelines for tackling malnutrition under Urban areas be presented during next Executive Committee.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Meeting held on 1st May, 2019 at CPMU in which representatives from MoHUA, National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA), Ministry of Panchayati Raj, NITI Aayog, DWCD of Govt of NCT of Delhi and MoWCD along with representatives from development partners attended. - Urban Nutrition Strategy is being prepared and will be finalised by 30th June, 2019. 	MoWCD & MoHUA
9.	Policy Guidelines on Agri-Nutrition to be made and presented during the next Executive Committee.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ministry proposed to constitute a National Advisory Panel for Agriculture-Nutrition under Chairmanship of Joint Secretary & Mission Director, POSHAN Abhiyaan. - Matter has been referred to Dr. Vinod Kumar Paul, Member (H&N), NITI Aayog for approval /concurrence. 	MoWCD & MoAFW
10.	Teams from CPMU to visit States/UTs in April, 2019 to assess roll-out of POSHAN Abhiyaan in respective States/UTs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Secretary, MoWCD visited to Bihar, Telangana & Uttarakhand - Team members from CPMU visited to Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Andaman, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Chandigarh, Gujarat, Goa, Karnataka, Kerala, Lakshadweep, Maharashtra, Manipur, Punjab, Puducherry, Rajasthan, Telangana, Tamil Nadu, Uttarakhand, UP. 	MoWCD & All States/UTs

11.	NITI Aayog to vet the RFP for Concurrent evaluation of POSHAN Abhiyaan.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- RFP has been issued after vetting from NITI Aayog & other Departments.- Pre-Bid meeting held on 22nd May, 2019.- Technical Bids opened on 4th June, 2019.	NITI Aayog & MoWCD
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Agenda Item No. 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.	Instructions issued and being followed regularly with the States/UTs	All States/UTs
3.	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.	Notification for using Fortified Rice in ICDS has been issued on 28 th February, 2019 by MoWCD	MoWCD, FSSAI & DoFPD