No. SAG/ 2/2017/SAG Government of India Ministry of Women & Child Development

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi. Dated 25.11.2017

To

The Principle Secretaries/Secretaries/Administrators dealing with ICDS (Women and Child Development Department) (all States/UTs)

Subject:- Continuation of Scheme for Adolescent Girls and Kishori Shakti Yojana.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to convey the approval of the Government of India to the following:-

- (i) Implementation of the Scheme for Adolescent Girls for out of school girls in the age group of 11-14 years with its phased expansion so as to cover additional districts for a period of one year i.e. upto 30.11.2018.
- (ii) Limiting on-going Kishori Shakti Yojana (KSY) to out of school girls in the age group of 11-14 years and its phasing out with expansion of the scheme for Adolescent Girls.
- 2. Also, the revised rates for supplementary nutrition for out of school Adolescent Girls of age 11-14 years under Scheme for Adolescent Girls @ Rs. 9.5 per beneficiary per day have already been intimated to all States/UTs vide order of this Ministry dated 6th October, 2017 requesting the States/UTs to issue notification stating the revised rates. The said rates will be effective in the respective State/UT from the date of issue of such notification.
- 3. You are requested to intimate the savings available with your State/UT Administration under both the schemes viz. Scheme for Adolescent Girls and Kishori Shakti Yojana and ensure that funds under these scheme are utilised for providing services to out of school girls of age 11-14 years only with immediate effect. The foodgrains allocated under the Scheme for Adolescent Girls are to be utilised for providing services to out of school girls of age 11-14 years only with immediate effect.

- 4. Scheme for Adolescent Girls and Kishori Shakti Yojana are Centrally Sponsored Schemes implemented by using the platform of Anganwadi Services under the Umbrella Integrated Child Development Services Scheme. Anganwadi Centres (AWCs) are the focal point for the delivery of the services. These schemes are to be implemented by State Governments/UTs with existing cost sharing ratio between the Centre and the States/UTs. You are requested to ensure earmarking States/UT's share of funds under the schemes.
- 5. The guidelines for implementation of the Scheme are being finalized and would be sent shortly alongwith the list of the additional districts selected for expansion of the scheme in your State /UT.
- 6. You are requested to implement the schemes viz. Scheme for Adolescent Girls and Kishori Shakti Yojana as per the approval accorded by the Government with immediate effects.

Yours faithfully,

(Manoj Kumar Singh) Director

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