

ABSTRACT

Social Welfare--Tamil Nadu Integrated Nutrition Project-II
Thanjavur, Nagapattinam Quid-e-Milleth and Kanniyakumari District
implementation of the Project in the Phase V--Establishment of
Community Nutrition Centres--sanction of staff recurring and
non-recurring expenditure--orders issued.

SOCIAL WELFARE & NUTRITIOUS MEAL PROGRAMME DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.237

Dated:18.8.94

READ:-

1. G.O.Ms.No.154, Social Welfare and Nutritious Meal Programme, dated 18.3.91.

READ ALSO:-

2. From the Project Coordinator, Tamil Nadu Integrated Nutrition Project Lr.No.17223/NC1/93 dt.15.3.94.

ORDER :

In the letter second read above, the Project Coordinator, Tamil Nadu Integrated Nutrition Project has submitted proposals for the establishment of Community Nutrition Centres and Nutritious Meal Programme Centres in the Phase V area of Tamil Nadu Integrated Nutrition Project in Thanjavur, Nagapattinam Quid-e-Milleth and Kanniyakumari Districts.

2. The Government accept the proposal and sanction the establishment of 935 Child Welfare Centres and 935 Community Nutrition Centres to function in existing Puratchi Thalaivar M.G.R. Nutritious Meal Programme centres in Thanjavur District. Sanction is accorded for the establishment of 857 Child Welfare Centres and 857 Community Nutrition Centres to function in existing Puratchi Thalaivar M.G.R. Nutritious Meal Programme Centres in Nagapattinam Quid-e-Milleth District. Sanction is accorded for the establishment of 580 Child Welfare Centres and 580 Community Nutrition Centres to function in existing Puratchi Thalaivar M.G.R. Nutritious Meal Programme centre in Kanniyakumari District.

3. The Government sanction a sum of Rs.808.51 lakhs recurring expenditure and a sum of Rs.122.75 lakhs non-recurring for payment of the honorarium rent, food cost, purchase of stationery etc. as shown in annexure I to this order. The Project Coordinator is authorised to issue instructions for condemning/auction of all furniture/equipment that are not in usable condition in the centres at present.

4. The Government sanction a permanent advance of Rs.300/- (Rupees Three hundred only) to each Nutrition Meal Centre. The Nutritious Meal Worker (Child Welfare Centre) attached to each centre shall utilise this amount to meet the expenses for local materials for the preparation of Nutritious Meal.

The Government further direct that each Nutritious Meal Wc. (Child Welfare Centre) shall deposit a sum of Rs.300/- (Rupee three hundred only) as security deposit in a post office savings Bank account.

5. The Government direct that the Nutritious Meal Centre and Community Nutrition Centre be located in one and the same building. The staffing pattern will be as follows:-

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Community Nutrition Worker	.. 1	Child Welfare Organiser	.. 1
		Helper/Pre-school helper	1

6. The Government have decided to move towards a staff pattern comprising one Community Nutrition Worker, One Child Welfare Organiser, and one Helper, i.e. a total staff of three in all Tamil Nadu Integrated Nutrition Project Centres as quickly as possible. Therefore, Government agree to sanction only the three staff members for each centre as indicated above in para. 5. However, in those centres where there are already two helpers working, the following mechanism shall be adopted to bring the overall staff to conform to above pattern.

58 (i) All helpers who have reached the retirement age of 55 years shall be retired with immediate effect and no new recruitment shall be made in the resulting vacancies.

(ii) After excluding the retiring helpers, all those helpers who can be absorbed as Community Nutrition Workers or Child Welfare Organisers as per the qualification norms shall be first absorbed before making any new recruitment for these categories.

(iii) After doing the above two exercises, if there are still surplus helpers, the Project Coordinator, Tamil Nadu Integrated Nutrition Project shall maintain a pool of such surplus helpers and post them in the bigger centres.

(iv) The above exercises shall be carried on continuously till the time the overall strength of Helpers in the District is brought down to the agreed norms of one helper per centre.

7. The Project Coordinator, Tamil Nadu Integrated Nutrition Project shall carry out the exercise indicated in para 6 above in all other Project Districts also in order to bring the staff strength to the agreed norm of 2 workers plus 1 helper for each Tamil Nadu Integrated Nutrition Project centre in all the districts. He shall report completion of this work in each of the Project district by 31st December 1994 to the Government.

8. The Government direct that whenever new workers are to be recruited, selection shall be made by ~~the~~ a Committee consisting of District Project Nutrition Officer (appointing authority), Medical Officer of Main Primary Health Centre, Panchayat Union Commissioner (Block Development Officer I and Community Nutrition Instructresses (Member Secretary) of the Block as per the guidelines indicated in Annexure II. The Government further direct that the helper shall be within 40 years of age at the time of recruitment. The Government direct that the Panchayat Union Commissioners will handover the Nutritious Meal Centre now functioning in the blocks to the Community Nutrition Instructresses in the newly constituted block office of Tamil Nadu Integrated Nutrition Project-II. The Panchayat Union Commissioners at the time of handing over Puratchi Thalaivar M.G.R. Noon Meal Centres to the Community Nutrition Instructress will also handover all the records relating to Child Welfare Organisers and helpers from the inception of the scheme.

9. The Government direct that the norms to be followed for the location of Community Nutrition Centre will be generally to cover a population of 500 and above. There will be exception in the case of villages in hilly areas and in accessible places wherein the coverage of population will be only around 200. All villages and hamlets will be covered for services to the children under 3 years and pregnant and nursing women. This will help to achieve the project aim of improved Maternal and Child Health and also make the health and Nutrition worker areas co-terminus.

10. The Government order that if the existing Nutritious Meal Centre is functioning in a rent free of or Government building, the rent sanctioned for that building shall be utilised for maintenance. The Government further direct that the contingency sanctioned for Community Nutrition Centre includes fuel allowance and allowance for purchase of materials for cleaning the centre and the stationery required for the centre. The Government also order that the contingency sanctioned for nutritious Meal Centres includes cost for pre-school aids and oil for keeping children well-groomed.

Government direct: that the existin. supplying commodities through Civil Supplies Co shall continue. The Community Nutrition Instruct place consolidated indents for the blocks includi to the Collector. The supply of egg and energy fo of egg shall be regulated by the Collector as at pre The Government direct the criteria for feeding shall follow as indicated in Annexure III.

12. The expenditure shall be debited to:

	<u>Lakhs</u>
i) "2236.Nutrition-02.Distribution of Nutritious food and Beverages 800.other expenditure-II.State Plan-PB.Tamil Nadu Integrated Nutrition Project-Nutrition District staff" (D.P.code No.2 236.02-800 PB 0007)	Rs.731.96
ii) "2236.Nutrition-02.Distribution of Nutritious food and Beverages 102.Midday Meals schemes in the VIIIth Five Year Plan-II.State Plan-JK.Opening of Pre-Primary Schools in Tamil Nadu" (D.P.code No.2236-02-102-JK.0007)	Rs.161.04
iii) "2236.Nutrition-02.Distribution of Nutritious food and Beverages 102.Midday Meals schemes in the Eighth Five Year Plan-II.State Plan-JL.Payment for the supply of Protein rich Nutritious food to the beneficiaries under PuratchiThalaivar M.G.R.Nutritious Meal Programme" (D.P.Code No.2236-02-102-JL.0003")	Rs. 38.26
	Rs.931.26

13. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its.U.O.No.3937/FS/P/94 dated.12.8.94.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

R.KIRUBAKARAN
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

TO
The Project Coordinator,
Tamilnadu Integrated Nutrition Project, Madras.20
The Director of Social Welfare, Madras.5.
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(BY ORDER)

P.A. Thirumalaiah
FOR PROJECT COORDINATOR.

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ANNEXURE II

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION OF COMMUNITY NUTRITION WORKERS/CHILD WELFARE ORGANISER IS AS FOLLOWS.

1. RESIDENCY:

The World Bank has stipulated certain selection criteria for Community Nutrition Workers and Child Welfare Organisers. The candidate will have to be the resident of the villages for which services are to be provided within a radius of 3 km. Local resident status will have to be certified by Community Nutrition Supervisor. Local residency should be established atleast by any of the following criteria

- a) by electoral roll.
- b) By Panchayat Tax Register.
- c) By Ration Card.

2. AGE:

Candidates who have completed 20 years of age and who are not more than 35 years of age will be recruited as Community Nutrition Workers or Child Welfare Organisers. Age relaxation upto 40 years will be given to widows, deserted women and candidates in hill areas.

3. EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS:

Educational qualification recommended is a Pass in X standard for Child Welfare Organisers and Community Nutrition Workers.

Preference will be given to women and who have good communication skills and who have one child.

The helper should be within 40 years of age at the time of recruitment. The helpers who have crossed 55 years will be ~~excluded~~. (Retired)

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Secretary to Government.

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ANNEXURE III

CRITERIA FOR FEEDING.

Entry Criteria
0-3 months.

Children in II, III & IV Grade, will be selected for supplementary feeding from the 1st of following month

Children in Normal & Grade I

- 1. Children showing growth faltering.

Exit Criteria
6-36 months

Child will be fed continuously for 90 days. Then the child will be graduated only after reaching Grade I.

The Child will be fed continuously for a period of 90 days and graduated or return to original growth trajectory.

Pregnant & lactating mothers.

At risk pregnant mothers from 6th month of pregnancy and upto 6th month after delivery.

R. Kirubakaran,
Secretary to Government.

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