



## ABSTRACT

Social Welfare and Nutritious Meal Programme Department – Integrated Child Development Services Scheme – Sanction of Rs.5,44,39,000/- towards flexi fund at the rate of Rs.1,000/- per annum to 54,439 Anganwadi Centres - Orders – Issued.

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### **Social Welfare and Nutritious Meal Programme (SW7) Department**

**G.O.(Ms) No.38**

**Dated.26.3.2012**

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Read:

1. From the Government of India, Ministry of Women and Child Development, New Delhi Letter. F.No.1-1/2009-CD-I dated.18.05.2009 and 9.7.2010.
2. From the Principal Secretary / Special Commissioner, Integrated Child Development Services Chennai letter no.702/NCIII/2010, Dated.21.1.2011, 30.3.2011, 29.4.2011, 21.9.2011 and 4.11.2011.

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### **ORDER:**

The Government of India, Ministry of Women and Child Development in its letter dated 18.05.2009 has decided to provide an amount of Rs.1,000/- per annum per operational Anganwadi Centre / Mini Anganwadi centre as Flexi Fund to be operated by the Anganwadi Worker under Integrated Child Development Services Scheme. It has also been stated that the use of Flexi Fund could include activities like transportation of Integrated Child Development Services Scheme beneficiaries requiring urgent medical care, local innovations and community contact programmes, purchase of utensils, unforeseen referral services, emergency services etc., and the above list is only suggestive and not exhaustive. It has also been suggested that the State Government may formulate State specific modalities for use of this fund so as to ensure accountability. The expenditure incurred under the Flexi Fund may be reflected in the Statement of expenditure submitted to the Government of India. It may also be ensured that the amount is easily available to Anganwadi Worker for meeting the expenses arising out of unforeseen circumstances at their own discretion. It could be maintained with the Anganwadi Worker for utilization with proper accounting mechanism and the above guidelines would be effective from the year 2009-2010.

2. Based on the guidelines issued by the Government of India, the Principal Secretary/Special Commissioner, Integrated Child Development Services has sent necessary proposals to the Government in which she has stated that over the years, it has been observed that the Anganwadi Workers are often in need of immediate cash to meet emergent needs which is not available as per the existing guidelines of Integrated Child Development Services Scheme. In order to widen the scope of the Integrated Child Development Services Scheme by providing flexibility for operational exigencies, the Ministry of Women and Child Development, Government of India vide its letter No.F.No.1-1/2009-CD-1, dated 18.5.2009, have decided to provide a sum of Rs.1,000/- (Rupees one thousand only) per annum per operational Anganwadi Centre as "Flexi Fund" to be operated by the Anganwadi Worker.

3. The Principal Secretary/Special Commissioner, Integrated Child Development Services has sent necessary proposal to Government for sanction of a sum of Rs. 5,44,39,000/- (Rupees five crore forty four lakh and thirty nine thousand only) towards provision of Flexi Fund at the rate of Rs.1000/- per annum per Operational Anganwadi Centre. The use of Flexi fund shall include the following activities:-

**Physical guidelines :-**

- 1) Good Practices, documentation, audio-visual CDs hiring to show cartoon/Nursery Rhymes/Movies etc., to Anganwadi Children at a cost of not exceeding Rs.150/- per day, subject to maximum of 3 days in a year.
- 2) Transportation cost for referral of pregnant mothers/nursing mother in emergency and severely ailing children/ Malnourished children (0-6 years) for emergent medical care.
- 3) Observation of different "Community contact programmes/days" e.g. Nutrition Day/Week, Breast Feeding Day/Week, VHN Day, Hand washing Day etc.
- 4) Other emergency services if any.
- 5) If any urgent item need to be added based on the specific needs of the area/district by District Programme Officers/Child Development Project Officers, the same may be allowed after getting prior permission of Principal Secretary / Special Commissioner, Integrated Child Development Services within the budgetary limit.
- 6) The flexi fund (of Rs.1,000/- per annum per Anganwadi centre) will be monitored by mothers group of the area consisting of two or three mothers.

**Financial Modalities:-**

1. The total amount budgeted every year shall be distributed to the Child Development Project Officers (CDPOs) through District Programme Officers based on the numbers of operational Anganwadi Centres in the Project.
2. The Child Development Project Officers shall draw the amount and distribute the same to the Anganwadi Workers by means of cash with proper record.
3. Year wise account registers shall be maintained at the level of Anganwadi Centres by the Anganwadi Worker.

4. Each expenditure shall be entered in the register supported by vouchers/ certificates/ documents/ justifications etc.,
5. The Registers shall be annually verified by the Child Development Project Officers who shall certify the correctness and genuineness of expenditure.
6. The accounts at the Child Development Project Office and Anganwadi Centre shall be annually verified by the District Programme Officers from time to time.
7. The Utilization Certificate shall be submitted by Child Development Project Officers / District Programme Officers annually.
8. The accounts shall be subjected to audit by Departmental audit cell and Accountant General (Audit), Chennai.
9. The expenditure under Flexi fund may be incurred and recouped as per the Permanent Advance procedure laid down in Article 94-98 of Tamil Nadu Financial Code Volume-I.

4. The Principal Secretary/Special Commissioner, Integrated Child Development Services has therefore requested the Government to sanction a sum of Rs.5,44,39,000/- (Rs.1000 x 54439 centres) under Flexi fund in the financial year 2011-12. (90% of Government of India's share is Rs.4,89,95,100/- and 10% of State's share is Rs.54,43,900/-).

5. After careful examination of the proposal of Principal Secretary /Special Commissioner, Integrated Child Development Services the Government accord sanction for a sum of Rs.5,44,39,000/- (Rupees Five crore, forty four lakh and thirty nine thousand only) towards Flexi Fund to 54,439 Anganwadi Centres at the rate of Rs.1000/- per annum per Anganwadi centre including Mini Anganwadi centre for carrying out the activities by following the physical guidelines and the financial modalities as detailed in para 3 above.

6. The expenditure sanctioned at para 5 above shall be debited under the following head of account:-

"2236.Nutrition - 02.Distribution of Nutritious Food and Beverages - 101.Special Nutrition Programmes - Schemes in the Eleventh Five Year Plan - VI Schemes shared between State and Centre UB Distribution of Flexi Fund to Anganwadi and Mini Anganwadi Centres 05 Office Expenses 02 Other Contingencies." (D.P.Code No.2236-02-101-UB 05 22)

7. The expenditure sanctioned at para 5 above will constitute an item of "New Service" for which the approval of the Legislature will be obtained in due course. Pending approval of the Legislature the expenditure will be met initially by drawal of an advance from the Contingency Fund, for which orders will be issued by Finance (BG I) Department separately. The Principal Secretary/Special Commissioner, Integrated Child Development Services is requested to apply for drawal of advance from the Contingency Fund in the prescribed format for the required quantum with the copy of this order to Finance (BG-I) Department and is also requested to send necessary

explanatory notes to Finance (Social Welfare) Department to include the above expenditure in the Supplementary Estimates 2011-12 at the appropriate stage.

8. The Principal Secretary / Special Commissioner, Integrated Child Development Services is requested to claim 90% of the above amount as reimbursement from the Government of India as per guidelines and is also requested to furnish the utilization certificate and the action taken report to the Government at the appropriate stage.

9. The Principal Secretary/Special Commissioner, Integrated Child Development Services is permitted to redistribute the amount sanctioned at para 5 above to the District Programme Officers concerned as per the number of Anganwadi Centres in operation in the district and the District Programme Officers shall further re-distribute the amount to the Child Development Project Officers. The Principal Secretary/Special Commissioner, Integrated Child Development Services is also permitted to authorize the Child Development Project Officers to draw the amount as advance under Article 99 of the Tamil Nadu Financial Code Volume-I.

10. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department U.O.No.102/DS(VS)/2012, dated. 13.3.2012 and Additional Sanction Ledger No.1859 (One thousand eight hundred and fifty nine)

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

Ashok Dongre  
Principal Secretary to Government

To

The Principal Secretary/Special Commissioner,  
Integrated Child Development Services, Tharamani, Chennai-113  
All DPO/Child Development Projects Officers  
(through Principal Secretary/Special Commissioner, ICDS,  
Chennai-113)

The Secretary to Government of India,  
Ministry of Women and Child Development, New Delhi-1  
The Pay and Accounts Officer(South), Chennai-35  
The Accountant General, (Audit I/II), Chennai-18(By name)  
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The Special P.A..to Hon'ble Minister (Social Welfare) Chennai-9  
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The Finance (SW/BG I/ BG II )Department

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