

## **ABSTRACT**

Social Welfare and Nutritious Meal Programme Department – Anganwadi Services – Scheme for Adolescent Girls (erstwhile SABLA) in the age group of 15-18 years – Continuation of the provision of supplementary nutrition to beneficiaries in the 9 Districts to the tune of ₹ 98.60 crore during 2018-2019 – Orders – Issued.

## Social Welfare and Nutritious Meal Programme (SW-7(2) Department

G.O.(Ms) No.51

Dated: 03.07.2018 திருவள்ளுவராண்டு 2049 விளம்பி, ஆனி 19

Read:

- 1 Government of India Letter No.6-12/2010-RGSEAG dated 27.09.2010.
- 2 Government of India Letter F.No. SAG/2/2017, Ministry of Women and Child Development, Dated 06.10.2017.
- 3 Government of India Letter No.SAG/2/2017/SAG, Ministry of Women and Child Development, Dated 25.11.2017.
- 4 Government Letter (MS) No.07/SW-7(2)/2017, Dated 23.01.2018.
- 5 Government of India Letter F.No.11012/3/2017-O/O AD SABLA, Ministry of Women & Child Development, Dated 02.04.2018.
- 6 From the Director, Integrated Child Development Services Scheme Letter Roc. No. 16283/NC1(2)/2017, Dated:11.06.2018.

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## ORDER:-

In the letter first read above, Government of India have conveyed its approval for the implementation of "Rajiv Gandhi Scheme for Empowerment of Adolescent Girls (RGSEAG) – SABLA" on a pilot basis in the following 9 Districts of Tamilnadu using the platform of Integrated Child Development Services Scheme at a cost of ₹5.00 per beneficiary per day.

SI.No.	District
1	Chennai
2	Coimbatore
3	Cuddalore
4	Madurai
5	Ramanathapuram
6	Salem
7	Tiruchirappalli
8	Tiruvannamalai
9	Kanyakumari

Under this scheme, 130 gm of Supplementary Nutrition for 300 days was provided for both School going and out of school Adolescent Girls (15-18 years) and out of school adolescent girls (11-14 years) for improving their nutritional and health status. Subsequently, the cost per beneficiary per day has been enhanced from ₹5.00 to ₹9.50 vide Government of India letter second read above.

- 2. In the letter third read above, Government of India have changed the norms for providing Supplementary Nutrition under the Scheme for Adolescent Girls (erstwhile SABLA) from 01.12.2017. Under the changed/revised norms, Supplementary Nutrition to be provided only to out of school Adolescent Girls in the age group of 11-14 years.
- 3. In the Government letter fourth read above, Government have issued orders to continue the provision of Supplementary Nutrition to the beneficiaries during the financial year 2017-2018 utilising the budget provision in the interest of the adolescent girls under Scheme for Adolescent Girls. Accordingly, Supplementary nutrition in the form of weaning food has been provided to out of school Adolescent Girls in the age group of 11-14 years, school going and out of School Adolescent Girls in the age group of 15-18 years under the Scheme for Adolescent Girls (SAG) in the existing 9 districts till March 2018.
- 4. In the letter fifth read above, Government of India have extended the Scheme for Adolescent Girls (SAG) to all 32 districts of Tamilnadu from April 2018 as per the revised norms.
- 5. In the letter sixth read above, the Director, Integrated Child Development Services Scheme has sent proposal stating that as per the baseline survey of District Programme Officers the number of out of school adolescent girls in the age group of 11-14 years in Tamil Nadu is 2,663. Based on Government's order, out of school adolescent girls in the age group of 11-14 years in all 32 districts are provided 130 gram of weaning food from June 2018 onwards. As per the Government of India norms, the cost for supplementary nutrition is ₹9.50 per beneficiary per day for 300 days in a year to the 11-14 years out of school adolescent girls. However, in Tamil Nadu at present the cost for providing 130 gm of weaning food per beneficiary is ₹8.30 paise per day. The total expenditure towards providing supplementary nutrition to 2,663 beneficiaries @ ₹8.30 per day for 300 days in a year will be around ₹66.30 lakh per annum. Government of India will share 50% of this expenditure. Under Mid-Day Meal programme Government of India extends financial support to the children upto 8th std only, whereas Government of Tamil Nadu, considering the best interest of the children provide mid-day meal along with egg to 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> standard children also by using exclusive State funds. However, children in the 11th & 12th standard are not covered under any lunch programme. The adolescent girls are future mothers and in order to fight malnutrition and anaemia among these Adolescent Girls, it is very important that the adolescent girls get ample nutritious food which contain micronutrients which also plays a very important part in the overall development and health of the adolescent girls.
- 6. He has further stated that considering the fact that adolescent girls in the age group of 15 -18 years (both school going and non school going) who were eligible for supplementary nutrition under Scheme for Adolescent Girls (erstwhile 9 SABLA districts) were provided with 130 gram of weaning food per day till March 2018 may be provided with Complementary weaning food from State funds. In 100

gram of weaning food there is 6 mg iron which will greatly help in addressing the prevalence anaemia. Further, 130 gram of weaning food contains 455 Kcal of energy and 11.05 gram of protein which will also address the problem of underweight among these adolescent girls.

- 7. He has further stated that as per the data received from the District Programme Officers the number of adolescent girls in the age group of 15-18 years in the 9 districts is around 3,96,004. If these 3,96,004 adolescent girls in the age group of 15-18 years are provided supplementary nutrition @ ₹8.30 per day @ 130 gram per beneficiary for 300 days in a year, the total approximate expenditure will be around ₹98.60 crore. There will be no sharing by Government of India in respect of supplementary nutrition being provided to adolescent girls in the age group of 15-18 years.
- 8. The Director, Integrated Child Development Services Scheme has therefore requested the Government to consider the proposal keeping in view of the welfare of the health of adolescent girls who are future mothers since a sum of ₹100.15 crore has been allotted towards the implementation of Scheme for Adolescent Girls in the Budget Estimate for the year 2018 2019.
- 9. After careful examination, Government accept the proposal of the Director, Integrated Child Development Services Scheme and permit him to utilise a sum of ₹ 98.60 crore available in the Budget Estimate 2018-2019 under the Heads of Account as detailed below towards the provision of 130 gm Supplementary Nutrition @ ₹ 8.30 per day per beneficiary to the Adolescent Girls (3,96,004) for 300 days in the age group of 15-18 years in 9 Districts for the implementation of "Scheme for Adolescent Girls" (erstwhile SABLA) during 2018-2019.

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2236 - Nutrition -02. Distribution of Nutritious Food and Beverages -101-Special Nutrition Programme – Schemes shared between State and Centre- UA. Supplementary Nutrition to Adolescent Girls under Rajiv Gandhi Scheme for Empowerment of Adolescent Girls – SABLA – 67 Feeding / Dietary Charges (DPC 2236-02-101-6797)	78,88,00,000
2236 - Nutrition -02.Distribution of Nutritious Food and Beverages -793. Special Central Assistance for Scheduled Caste Component Plan- Schemes shared between State and Centre- UA. Supplementary Nutrition to Adolescent Girls under Rajiv Gandhi Scheme for Empowerment of Adolescent Girls - SABLA - 67 - Feeding / Dietary Charges (DPC 2236-02-793-6792)	18,73,00,000
2236 - Nutrition -02 Distribution of Nutritious Food and Beverages -794. Special Central Assistance for Tribal Sub Plan – Schemes shared between State and Centre- UC. Supplementary Nutrition to Adolescent Girls under Rajiv Gandhi Scheme for Empowerment of Adolescent Girls – SABLA - 67 – Feeding / Dietary Charges (DPC 2236-02-794-6796)	99,00,000
Total	98,60,00,000

- 10. The Director, Integrated Child Development Services Scheme is also requested to ensure that the Aadhaar number of the beneficiaries should be entered in the register concerned.
- 11. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance (SW) Department vide its U.O. No.33886/Fin(SW)/2018, Dated 03.07.2018.

## (BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

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Principal Secretary to Government.

Τo

The Director.

Integrated Child Development Services Scheme.

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The Accountant General, Chennai – 600 018 (by name)

The Pay and Accounts Officer, Chennai.

All District Collectors concerned

All District Programme Officers(Through the Director, Integrated Child Development Services Scheme)

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