

### **ABSTRACT**

Social Welfare and Nutritious Meal Programme Department – Integrated Child Development Services Scheme – Sanction of fund for a sum of Rs.2,67,49,840/- to procure 12,104 Baby Weighing Scales to 31 Districts for the year 2011-12 – Orders – Issued.

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

G.O.Ms.No.53

Dated:10.4.2012 திருவள்ளுவராண்டு 2043 பங்குனி 28

Read:

- 1 From the Director, Government of India, Ministry of Women and Child Development New Delhi letter F.No.16-1/2009-ME, dated 11.5.2009.
- 2 From the Principal Secretary/Special Commissioner, Integrated Child Development Services Letter Roc.No.7406/M&E/2011, dated. 30.12.2011.

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### ORDER:

The Government of India, Ministry of Women and Child Development, New Delhi in the letter first read above, have revised the guidelines for Monitoring and Evaluation Mechanism at the State Level, wherein it has been decided to revise the existing norms from Rs.200/- to Rs.500/- per Anganwadi Centre per annum taking into account, the increase in cost over the years and to strengthen the monitoring and evaluation mechanism under Integrated Child Development Services Scheme, which includes various activities such as printing of various records, replacement/repair of weighing scales supplied at Anganwadi Centres, computerization and data entry etc.,

2. Based on the revised guidelines of the Government of India, the Principal Secretary/Special Commissioner, Integrated Child Development Services in the letter second read above has stated that one of the important components of Integrated Child Development Services Scheme is the regular growth monitoring of children below 5

years. In all the Anganwadi Centres, every month not only the children enrolled for Supplementary Nutrition/Noon Meal, but also weight is taken for all the area children covered by Anganwadi Centre, then the measured weight is plotted in the Growth Monitoring register containing growth graphs and the nutritional status is assessed. Also depending upon the growth curve in the graph, the child's weight gain according to age is monitored and steps taken to rectify, if there is a growth problem. Thus growth monitoring plays an important role in the implementation of Integrated Child Development Services Scheme. Two important tools are required for growth monitoring; one, the weight monitoring register and the other one is the baby weighing scale. Since the implementation of WHO standard of growth monitoring has been initiated, the WHO registers were printed and supplied to all the Anganwadi Centres during 2010-11, to the tune of Rs.1.36 Crore from Monitoring and Evaluation funds. During 2011-12, the UNICEF had printed and supplied the WHO registers to all the Anganwadi Centres.

- 3. The Principal Secretary/Special Commissioner, Integrated Child Development Services has also stated that out of 54,439 Anganwadi Centres, 30,190 centres are having baby weighing scales. In some of the centres, it has been supplied by UNICEF/some NGO's/ community participation. Besides this, 24,249 Anganwadi Centres still require baby weighing scales since, the previously supplied scales are not in good condition or are beyond repair. As such, these Anganwadi Centres manage with the scales available in the nearby Anganwadi Centres for growth monitoring and it becomes a hindrance for proper growth monitoring. For the last three financial years, the registers of 4 numbers, as specified by Government of India were printed and supplied to all Anganwadi Centres. Since enough registers are available in Anganwadi Centres and weighing scales are primarily needed, it has been proposed to procure weighing scales in this financial year using Monitoring and Evaluation funds.
- 4. WHO standard being initiated and lots of action plan are being formulated in 12<sup>th</sup> Five Year Plan for the reduction of malnutrition, the availability of weighing scales at all the Anganwadi Centres are to be ensured, for not only making the Anganwadi Workers /Anganwadi Helpers work easier but also to facilitate for proper/accurate weight taking every month. After having discussions with District Programme Officers, it has been decided to procure 12,104 bar weighing scales to the Anganwadi Centres and it is proposed to accept the quotation received from TANSI for an amount of Rs.2,210/-per scale including VAT and transportation charges.
- 5. The Principal Secretary/Special Commissioner, Integrated Child Development Services has stated that as per TANSI quotation, the cost of 12,104 Baby weighing Scales are Rs.2,67,49,840/- (12,104 Baby weighing scales x Rs.2,210/- each). The Excise duty of 10.3% will be exempted since it is Government to Government purchase. The Commissioner of Central Excise Duty department is being approached separately regarding this for getting exemption from the payment of Excise Duty. As per Government of India guidelines, now the cost sharing ratio is 90:10 between Central

and State. The Central share in the proposal is Rs.2,40,74,856/- and the State share is Rs.26,74,984/-.

- 6. The Principal Secretary/Special Commissioner, Integrated Child Development Services has further more stated that out of the total requirement of 24,249 Anganwadi Centres, the baby weighing scales may be supplied for 12,104 Anganwadi Centres from the available funds under Monitoring and Evaluation during 2011-12, which is allowed as per Government of India guidelines.
- 7. The Principal Secretary/Special Commissioner, Integrated Child Development Services has stated that out of the total requirement 24,249 Anganwadi Centres it has now been proposed to procure 12,104 Baby Weighing Scales for 12,104 Anganwadi Centres and requested the Government to issue necessary orders for procuring 12,104 baby weighing scales to the 31 districts at a total cost of Rs.2,67,49,840/- during the year 2011-12 and to authorize her to draw the amount under Article 99 of Tamil Nadu Financial Code Volume I and to settle the advance because TANSI had insisted on 100% advance payment and had further requested to authorize her to alter/change the number of weighing scales to be procured and distributed to the centres due to cost variation in the price of the weighing scale during the time of procurement, within the amount sanctioned.
- 8. After careful examination of the proposal of the Principal Secretary/Special Commissioner, Integrated Child Development Services, Government have decided to issue orders on the following:
  - i. Sanction is accorded for a sum of Rs.2,67,49,840/- to procure 12,104 Baby Weighing Scales to the Anganwadi Centres in the 31 districts for the year 2011-12 as detailed in the Annexure to this order. Out of which, the Government of India share (90%) is Rs.2,40,74,856/- and State share (10%) is Rs.26,74,984/-.
  - ii. The Principal Secretary/Special Commissioner, Integrated Child Development Services is permitted to purchase the Baby Weighing Scales from TANSI by following the existing purchase procedure. TANSI should ensure that weighing scales are produced in house and not traded from market.
  - iii. The Principal Secretary/Special Commissioner, Integrated Child Development Services is authorized to draw the above amount under Article 99 of Tamil Nadu Financial Code Volume I and to settle the advance because TANSI had insisted on 100% advance payment.
  - iv. The Principal Secretary/Special Commissioner, Integrated Child Development Services is authorized to alter/change the number of weighing scales to be procured and distributed to the centres due to cost

variation in the price of the weighing scale during the time of procurement, within the amount sanctioned.

9. The amount sanctioned in para 8(i) above shall be debited under the following head of Account:-

"2236-Nutrition-02.Distribution of nutritious Food and Beverages - 101.Special Nutrition Programme-Schemes in the Twelfth Five Year Plan-III.Centrally Sponsored.S.F. Integrated Child Development Services Scheme-Phase III 24. Materials and supplies. (D.P.Code:2236-02-101-SF-2408)

- 10. The expenditure sanctioned in para 8(i) above shall constitute an item of "New Instrument of Service" and the approval of the Legislature will be obtained in due course. Pending approval of the Legislature, the expenditure will initially be met from the Contingency Fund, for which orders will be issued from Finance (BG.I) Department separately. The Principal Secretary/Special Commissioner, Integrated Child Development Services is requested to send necessary proposals in the prescribed format to Finance (BG.I) Department for drawal of Contingency Fund advance with enclosing the copy of this order. The Principal Secretary/Special Commissioner, Integrated Child Development Services is also requested to send necessary explanatory notes to Finance Department to include this expenditure in the Supplementary Estimates 2012-2013, at the appropriate time.
- 11. The Principal Secretary/Special Commissioner, Integrated Child Development Services is requested to take action to dispose the old/repaired baby weighing scales in 12,104 Anganwadi Centres by auction sale and to remit the amount received from auction in to Government account.
- 12. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance (SW) Department vide its U.O.No.134/DS(VS)/2012, dated.10.4.2012 and Additional Sanction Ledger No.32 (Thirty Two)

# (BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

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Principal Secretary to Government

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Integrated Child Development Services
Chennai -113.

All District Programme Officers/(Through Principal Secretary/Special Commissioner, Integrated Child Development Services, Chennai – 113)

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#### ANNEXURE - I G.O.Ms.No.53, Social Welfare and Nutritious Meal Programme Department, dated.10.4.2012 DISTRICTWISE REQUIREMENT OF BABY WEIGHING SCALES From the available funds S. Name of the No. of Requirement of weighing scales to be district operational Baby weighing No. purchased during 2011-12 scale Anganwadi Centres Chennai Coimbatore <del>171</del> Cuddalore Dharmapuri Krishnagiri Dindigul Erode Kancheepuram Kaniyakumari Karur Madurai Nagapattinam Namakkal Perambalur Pudukkottai Ramanathapuram Salem Sivagangai Thanjavur The Nilgiris Theni Thiruvallur Tiruvannamalai Thiruvarur Thoothukudi Trichy <del>1711</del> Tirunelveli Vellore Villupuram Virudhunagar Tiruppur TOTAL

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