

Implementation of Mid Day Meal Programme.

(AKSHARA DASOHA)

1.	Name of State/UT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Karnataka State
2.	Nature of Meal: Cooked Meal/ Ready to Eat Food	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hot Cooked Meal
3	Date of starting Cooked Meal Programme(please give details in case cooked meal programme is implemented in various stages)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Stage-1 The programme of providing hot cooked meal was introduced in 7 north eastern districts of the state during 2002-03.• Stage-II This scheme was extended to the remaining 20 districts under the title Akshara Dasoha during 2003-04 . The scheme of providing free food grains @ 3 K.Gs per child / per month to children of class 1 to 5 of Government Aided Schools on the basis of 80% of attendance in a month under NP-NSPE is continued during 2002-03 & 2003-04• Stage-III The scheme was extended to classes 1 to 5 in Govt. Aided Schools w.e.f 1-9-2004.• Stage-IV The programme was extended to VI and VII Standards in Government / Government Aided Schools in the State w.e.f. 01-10-2004. The programme of providing hot cooked meal transferred to zilla panchayat w.e.f 01-04-2005.
4.	Objectives of the programme	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To improve enrolment and attendance• To improve retention rate• To improve child health by increasing nutrition level.• To improve learning levels of children.
5	Number of schools days	244 days in a year (2006-07)
6	No.of Schools covered	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Government - 43414• Aided - 2830Total - 46244
7	Total Number of Districts. Districts covered under cooked meal programme	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All 27 districts of Karnataka State. Children studying in classes 1 to 7th Standard in all Government and Government Aided Primary Schools are covered under the scheme .
8	Total Number of Blocks. Blocks covered under Cooked Meal programme	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 177 Revenue Blocks

9	Conversion Cost: Expenditure per child per school day incurred by the State Government on Pulses(Dhal , Oil and Salt) Vegetable Condiments Fuel Administrative Expenditure Total Expenditure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Re,0.71 per child per day • Re 0.50 per child per day • Re 0.40 per child per day • Salary, honorarium ,CG, Nutrition etc. Re 0.71 per child per day Total cost Re 2.32 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Government of India provides Rs. 1.50 per child / day as conversion charges for classes 1 to 5 • Government of Karnataka also provides Re.1.31 per child / day as conversion charges for classes 6 & 7 • Government of Karnataka also provides APL Rice for classes 6 & 7 students.
10	Nutrition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The hot cooked food contains about 400 calories Rice - 100 gms. Pulses - 20 gms Oil - 03 gms Salt - 02 gms Vegetables - 50 gms Per child per day
11	Additional Nutrition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vitamin A(200000 I.U. each) 2 Tablets per year Iron Folic Acid Tablets (20 Mg)-108 Tablets per year D-worming Tablets(400 Mg) Twice a year.
12	Kitchen Centers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kitchen Centers have been categorized on the basis of number of children • A1 Category up to 25 children • A-Category- up to 70 children • B-Category- 71 to 300 children • C-Category- 301 and above Central Kitchen for 2 or 3 schools in a common area.
13	Appointment of Cooks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As per the programme guidelines all the cooks are to be women in the Kitchen centers. • Reservation is also provided for SC/ST OBC and other categories • Priority is given to widows, destitute , economically weaker sections • Stree Shakti and self women groups are also entrusted with the responsibility of cooking Cooks will be selected by a committee consisting of the President of Gram Panchayath, the President of the School development and monitoring committee and Head master of the school.

14	Honorarium to cooks	<p style="text-align: center;">(Amount in Rs.)</p> <p>A1-Category-Head Cook- 650 A-Category- Head cook - 650</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Cook- 450 ----- Total 1100 -----</p> <p>B-Category- Head cook - 650</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Cook- 450 Helper - 300 ----- Total 1400 -----</p> <p>C-Category- Head cook - 650</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Cook - 450 Asst.Cook - 400 Helper - 300 ----- Total 1800</p>						
15	Role of Non-Government Organisations.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-Government Organisations are also given opportunity to participate in this programme by opening their own kitchen centers for a single / cluster of schools prepare food in the common kitchen and distribute the same to the schools. <table style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td>No.of NGO's</td> <td style="text-align: right;">53</td> </tr> <tr> <td>No.of Schools</td> <td style="text-align: right;">2931</td> </tr> <tr> <td>No.of Beneficiaries</td> <td style="text-align: right;">632149</td> </tr> </table>	No.of NGO's	53	No.of Schools	2931	No.of Beneficiaries	632149
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16	Providing cooking vessels, Stove,and spring balance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cooking vessels, stove and spring balances are provided at the cost of Rs. 5,000 per centre. 						
17.	Supply of Gas	In order to maintain hygienic conditions and to avoid environmental pollution, cooking gas is being provided to all cooking centers.						
18	Water facilities	Rs. 6000/- is given to each centre to provide permanent water facilities.						
19	Funds allocated by the State Government to provide cooked meal programme for the year 2002-03 to 2005-06	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2002-03 Rs. 45 Crores • 2003-04 Rs. 137.37 Crores & - Rs. 15 Crores (PMGY) • 2004-05 Rs. 262 Crores • 2004-05: Rs. 15 Crores(PMGY), • 2005-06 Rs.256. 83 Crores. Rs. 30.00 Crores (for construction of Kitchen sheds) • 2006-07 Rs.253.47 Crores Rs. 26.00 Crores (for construction of 						

		<p style="text-align: right;">kitchen sheds)</p> <p>Flow of funds;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The funds are released by the Government to the CEO,Zilla Panchayat through link document. WEF 1-4-2005. <p>Government of India release</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2004-05 Rs.6589.93 lakhs 2005-06 Rs.190.53 lakhs (MME) 2005-06 RS.6754.68 lakhs (As on 31-12-2005) 2005-06 Rs.3950.31 lakhs (As on 30-6-2006) 2006-07 Rs.6141.13 lakhs (As on 31-12-2006) 2006-07 Rs. 182.04 lakhs (for replacement of cooking equipments (for 3641schools) 2006-07 Rs.538.01 lakhs (for replacement of cooking equipments (for 10761 schools) (Total schools – 14402)
20	Food Grains	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Government of India provides Rice at 100 Gms per child per day for the children of classes 1 to V and also transportation charges. Government of Karnataka provides Rice at 100 per child / day for the children of classes VI & VII and Transportation charges. Government of India provides Rs. 1.50 per child / day as conversion charges for classes 1 to 5 Government of Karnataka provides Rs. 1.61 per child /day as conversion charges for classes 1 to 7. Karnataka Food and Civil Supplies Corporation procures Toor dhal, palm Oil and Iodized salt and supply it to taluk level officers for further supply to schools.
21	Progress Report	<p>Enrolment 6140164 Attendance 5739328 Beneficiaries 5358135</p> <p>1) No. of Kitchen Centres : 37966 2) Water Facilities provided: 30271 3) Cooks Appointed: 93258 4) Gas provided: 37877</p>
22	Construction of kitchen sheds.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The construction of kitchen sheds is entrusted to the Rural Development and Panchayath Raj Department (Rural Areas) and Urban Development Department (Urban Areas) The funds are to be mobilised from the amount allocated to the concerned departments under various schemes, namely SJRY, Stamp duty, Natural calamity fund, Drought relief, 11th finance commission, SSA, Public donations etc.,

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In addition Government of Karnataka has released Rs. 30.00 Crores for the construction of 6000 kitchen sheds during 2005-06 • Rs. 26 crores for 5200 kitchen sheds during 2006-07 <p> Kitchen sheds available - 4340 No. of kitchen sheds Constructed 24736 Different stages of construction out of 6000 (During 2005-06) - 1505 Different stages of construction Out of 5200 (During 2006-07) - 2554 To be constructed - <u>4831</u> Total - 37966 </p>
23	Suggested Menu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • According to traditional taste of the various districts following standard menu has been suggested. <p> Monday : Sweet Pongal/Khara Pongal Tuesday : Chapati/Roti & Sabzi Wednesday : Rice and Sambar Thursday : Lemon Rice Friday : Bisi Bele bath Saturday : Upma </p>
24	Steps taken by the State Government for monitoring and supervision of cooked meal programme:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Govt. of Karnataka has formed a district level implementing committee for the supervision and effective implementation of this scheme under the chairmanship of the district in-charge Minister, elected representatives and concerned officials of the various departments. • Training programme has been conducted to the school committee members, Head Master / Mistress of the schools and cooks. • Districts & Talukwise Nodal Officers have been appointed to Supervise this scheme. monthly reports are obtained from officials . • Doctors and primary health staff are inspecting and monitoring the cleanliness and hygiene of the cooking centers, vessels, water storage etc.,
25	Achievements so far	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3% rise in attendance in a month's time • . Children are more attentive and active inside and outside the class room • Moving towards social and educational equity at the grass root level • 93258 women have been entrusted with the work of cooking. • Convergence of various Government departments and voluntary organizations.

26	Towards stabilisation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Panchayat Raj Institutions to construct 4831 Kitchen Blocks within a year. Providing drinking water facility in the next few months wherever required. • Health Department to help in maintaining hygienic conditions. • All other departmental officers to be involved in supervision and monitoring. • Training of cooks and helpers • Evaluation of Akshara Dasoha is entrusted to the University of Agricultural Sciences, Dharwad.
27	During summer vacation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During 2004-05 Government of Karnataka has identified 80 Taluks in 21 districts as drought affected areas. <u>Children Covered :</u> 1-5 classes - 25,21,719 6- 7 classes - 7,66,377 <u>Total Cost ; Rs. 2284 lakhs</u> 2005-06 -- No Drought. • During 2006-07 Government of Karnataka has identified 128 taluks in 23 districts as drought affected areas. <u>Total Children .(approximate)</u> 1-5 Classes - 36,93,944 6-7 Classes - 12,84,384 Total cost – 3260.80 lakhs.
28	Training to cooks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A training module has been prepared for giving training to all the cooks in the state in the areas of cleanliness, safety, economy and Nutrition. • District and cluster level resource persons have been selected and trained. • Cluster level training of cooks is under progress.

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