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NO EDN-H-(Ele.)(6)-4-24/2019-20- (MDM) Directorate of Elementary Education Himachal Pradesh.

Dated

the Shimla-171001

March, 2024

To

1. All Deputy Directors (Elementary Education) प्रारंभिक शिक्षा निवसीलये हि.प्र Himachal Pradesh

2. All Deputy Directors (Higher Education) Himachal Pradesh



Development of School Nutrition Gardens (SNGs) in all schools Subject: under PM Poshan (Mid Day Meal) Scheme in the State.

Sir,

In continuation of this Directorate letter of even No: Dated 20.06.2019, 21.08.2019, 23.09.2019 last being dated 20.04.2023 vide which detailed guidelines have been circulated to you regarding development of School Nutrition Gardens (SNGs) in all school premises both in rural and urban areas irrespective of availability of land under PM Poshan (Mid Day Meal) Scheme in the State. In this context, it is re-iterated that in pursuance of GOI, Ministry of Education guidelines, School Nutrition Gardens (SNGs) may be developed in all schools and vegetables/plants may also be grown in small containers, cans, jars, discarded earthen pots, wooden peti, ceramic sinks, food tins, and atta bags etc where land is not available. Large piece of land is not required for growing vegetables. Even roof tops of schools can be used for growing vegetables/ fruits in containers.

For this purpose, the schools have to make efforts to grow local vegetables like spinach (पालक), coriander (हरा धनिया), mint (पुदिना), turnip (शलगम), raddish (मूली), beetroot (चुकन्दर), drumstick (moringa leaves) (सहजन) and fruits etc in these School Nutrition Gardens (SNGs), so that the green and fresh local vegetables and fruits of these School Nutrition Gardens (SNGs) could be used in the mid day meal under PM Poshan (MDM) Scheme to provide the nutritious food to the students keeping in view of anaemic percentage of students and the amount so saved against the purchasing of these vegetables.

In view of the above, you are once again requested to expedite the matter with all field functionaries & schools for setting/ developing School Nutrition Gardens (SNGs) with active involvement of school students as an cocurricular activity to the school students once in a week preferable on school bag free day and accordingly furnish the action taken report (ATR) alongwith ephotographs of School Nutrition Gardens (SNGs) to this Directorate, so that the matter could be processed further with the GOI please.

This may be treated as most urgent & be given personal attention & top priority in the matter please.

Encl: As above

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Yours faithfully

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- The Secretary (Education) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171002 for information please.
- 2. The Director (Higher Education) Himachal Pradesh Shimla-171001 with the request to issue similar instructions to all DDHEs, Principals GSSSs & Headmasters GHSs please.
- Incharge IT Cell (Internal) with the request to upload the aforesaid instructions on Department website.
- 4. Guard file.

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