

# MID DAY MEAL PROGRAMME AND MID DAY MEAL SCHEME



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#### : MID DAY MEAL PROGRAMME :

- MDMP is also known as School Lunch Programme.
- In operation since 1961-throughout the country.
- Objective : is to attract more children for admission to schools and retain them so that literacy improvement of children could be brought about.

## • Goals :

- 1. Reorientation of eating habits.
- 2. Incorporating nutrition education into the curriculum.
- 3. Encouraging the use of local commodities.
- 4. Improving school attendance as well as educational performance.



- Principles : to be followed while formulating mid day meals for school children;
- 1. Meal should be supplement and not a substitute to the home diet.
- 2. Meal should supply at least 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of the total energy requirement and half of the protein need.
- 3. Cost of the meal should be reasonably low.
- 4. Easy to cook, devoid of complicated cooking processes.
- 5. Use locally available food to reduce the cost of the meal.
- 6. Menu should be frequently changed to avoid monotony.



- National Institute of Nutrition Hyderabad has prepared model recipes suitable for North and South Indians.
- Minimum number of feeding days in a year should be 250 to have desired impact on the children.



# : MID DAY MEAL SCHEME :

- Also known as National Programme of Nutritional Support to Primary Education.
- Centrally sponsored programme launched on 15<sup>th</sup> august 1995 and revised in 2004.
- Objectives :
- 1. Universalization of primary education by increasing enrolment, retention and attendance.
- 2. Impacting on nutrition of students in primary classes.



- Mid day meal scheme covered whole country in phased manner started with 2408 blocks initially.
- Scheme covered children of primary stage ( class 1 to 5 ) in government, local body and government aided schools.
  Now it is extended further.

### • Facilities are :

- 1. Free supply of food grain from nearest Food Corporation of India godown at the rate of 100gm / student / day.
- 2. Subsidy for transport of food grain.
- 3. Each meal provides minimum 300 calories and 8 12 gms of protein.



- Suggestions for preparation of nutritious and economical mid day meals are ;
- 1. Proper storage of food grains in air tight containers to avoid infestations and store should be away from moisture.
- 2. Use whole wheat or broken wheat.
- 3. Use of lodized Salt and Unpolished rice.
- 4. Prefer single dish meals like Pulao, Kichadi and Upma etc.
- 5. Cereal Pulse Ratio should be 3:1 to 5:1.
- 6. Wash vegetables before using.



- 7. Processes like washing, soaking and cooking reduces cooking time.
- 8. Rice / dal water left after cooking should not be thrown.
- 9. Fermentation improves nutritive value. So, Dosa etc should be encouraged.
- 10. Use of lid to avoid loss of nutrients,
- 11. Avoid overcooking and reheating of previously used oil.
- 12. Leafy tops of carrots etc should be used in preparation of foods.



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# **Thank You**

