



ABSTRACT

Puratchi Thalaivar MGR Noon Meal Programme – Introduction of Variety rice in the Noon Meal to benefit the children under Nutritious Meal programme and Integrated Child Development Services Scheme – orders – issued.

Social Welfare and Nutritious Meal Programme (NMP.1) Department

G.O.(Ms)No.267

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Read :

- 1 G.O.(Ms) 857 Public (TPEP) Department, Dated : 28.05.1982
- 2 G.O.(MS) No.499, BC, MBC, and Social Welfare Department, Dated : 26.05.1989
- 3 G.O. (MS) No.176 Social Welfare and Nutritious Meal Programme (NMP.3) Department, Dated:17.09.2010
- 4 G.O.(Ms) No.180, Social Welfare and Nutritious Meal Programme (NMP.1) Department, Dated : 24.09.2010

Read also :

- 5 From Director of Social Welfare, Chennai -5, Lr.No.31746/NMP.1/09, Dated: 05.11.2009 and 21.10.2010.
- 6 From Principal Secretary/Special Commissioner Integrated Child Development Services Scheme Lr.No.10803/NMP.1/2010, Dated : 15.11.2010
- 7 From Director of Social Welfare Lr.Roc.No.11243/NMP.2/ 2012, Dated : 06.07.2012.
- 8 Announcement Made by the Hon'ble Chief Minister, of Tamilnadu on the floor of Legislative Assembly on 02.11.2012 under Rule 110 of Tamilnadu Legislative Assembly Rules.

ORDER

Puratchi Thalaivar MGR Nutritious Meal Scheme was introduced in 1982 to provide hot cooked meal to the School Children. Later, the Government ordered to provide egg to the children studying from 1st std to 10th std on all the five working days of the week. For the vegetarian children Bananas are provided in lieu of eggs. Moreover, 20 gms of boiled Blackgram or Bengalgram is provided on Tuesdays and

20 gms of Boiled Potatoes are provided on Fridays. Due to the above measures the percentage of dropouts from schools reduced and enrolment of children in schools also increased considerably.

2. During 2010-2011 the total number of beneficiaries under the Nutritious Meal Programme Scheme was 54,80,340 in the State. However, this came down to 50,14,245 during 2011-2012. During the corresponding period the enrolment in Anganwadi centres has also shown a decline due to the flourishing of preschool / kids schools in the state. This decreasing trend in the Nutritious Meal Programme and poor enrolment in Anganwadi Centres have been brought to the notice of the Government by the Director of Social Welfare and the Commissioner of Integrated Child Development Services Scheme on various occasions. The State Government viewed these developments with concern and directed to find ways to improve the NMP scheme for attracting more children. Various options were explored to find a solution to this declining trend.

3. The Hon'ble Chief Minister made an announcement on the floor of the Assembly on 02.11.2012 under Rule 110 of Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly Rules as follows:-

"In the Nutritious Meal Programme Scheme introduced by Puratchi Thalaivar MGR in 1982 the menu of Rice and Sambar has been followed without any change for the past 30 years. Hence the Government officials were directed to bring in change of menu in accordance with present day needs and desires of the children. In consultation with chefs and Nutrition experts a training programme and a demonstration were held at Saidapet Corporation School at Chennai and Andhanallur Panchayat union school near Srirangam wherein 13 varieties of Rice and 4 types of egg Masala were demonstrated. Blackgram Pulav and Pepper Egg was served to school children who found it tasty and enjoyed. Based on the above experiences, it has been decided to introduce the following menu in the Nutritious Meal Programme centres.

First Week and Third Week Menu:

Monday	Vegetable Briyani + Pepper Egg
Tuesday	Black gram Pulav + Tomato Masala Egg.
Wednesday	Tomato Rice + Pepper Egg
Thursday	Rice + Sambar + Boiled Egg
Friday	Curry Leaf Rice / Keerai Sadham + Masala Egg & Chilly Fried Potato.

Second week and Fourth Week menu:

Monday	Sambar Sadham (Bisibalabath) + Onion Tomato Masala Egg.
Tuesday	Mixed Meal Maker & Vegetables Rice + Pepper Egg

Wednesday	Tamarind Rice + Tomato Masala Egg
Thursday	Lemon Rice + Sundal + Tomato Egg
Friday	Rice + Sambar + Boiled Egg and Fried Potato.

Considering the special nature and digestive capacity of the little children attending Anganwadi Centres, the following weekly menu will be introduced in the Anganwadi Centres to be followed throughout the year.

DAYS	PROPOSED MENU
Monday	Tomato Rice + Boiled Egg
Tuesday	Mixed rice + Bengal Gram / Green Gram
Wednesday	Vegetable Pulav rice + Boiled Egg
Thursday	Lemon Rice + Boiled Egg
Friday	Dhal rice + Potato
Saturday	Mixed Rice
Sunday	Mixed Rice

4. Based on the above announcement of the Hon'ble Chief Minister, the Government order as follows:-

1. The New Menu announced by the Hon'ble Chief Minister as detailed in para 3 above will be followed with immediate effect.
2. The Director of Social Welfare is directed to workout the modalities for training the Nutritious Meal Programme and Integrated Child Development Services Scheme staff in the preparation of variety rice items contained in the new menu.
3. The Director of Social Welfare is directed to work out the modalities of this Scheme and give suitable instructions to the Collectors and field staff in this regard.
4. The District Collectors are directed to first take up the scheme in a Block and then gradually extend it to the rest of the district based on inputs from pilot Block. The Director of Social Welfare shall give appropriate instructions accordingly and monitor the same.
5. The 'Akshaya pathiram' scheme wherein the children bring and put in vegetables contributed by their mothers for cooking meals will be implemented in both Nutritious Meal Programme and Integrated Child Development Services Scheme. This will encourage community participation in the scheme and arrest the declining trend of beneficiaries in Nutritious Meal Programme. The Director of Social Welfare shall give appropriate instructions for effective implementation of the scheme.

(By Order of the Governor)

ASHOK DONGRE
Principal Secretary to Government

To
The Director of Social Welfare, Chennai – 2.

The Principal Secretary / Special Commissioner,-
Integrated Child Development Services Scheme
Chennai – 600 113.
The Commissioner, Chennai Corporation,
Chennai – 600 003.
The Commissioner of Rural Development,
Panagal Building Saidapet, Chennai – 15.
The Commissioner of Municipal Administration
Chepauk, Chennai – 5.
The Managing Director,
Tamilnadu Civil Supplies Corporation
Chennai – 600 010.
The Chief Internal Auditor and Chief Auditor of Statutory Boards,
807, Annasalai, Chennai – 2.
All District Collectors
The Accountant General, Chennai – 18/9
The Accountant General, (Audit) Chennai – 18.

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