Proceedings of the Director of School Education, Chennai-6 Present: Dr.S.Kannappan

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Sub:

School Education -National Deworming Day 2021 - Three Rounds from March 15th to 27th March 2021 and Mop up Day on 29th March 2021 - Instructions to be carried out - Reg.

Ref:

- 1) Chennai 9, Deputy Secretary to Government, School Education Department, Letter No. 12055/GL1 (2)/ 2020-1 Dated 17.08.2020.
- 2) Letter from Director of Public Health and Preventive Medicine, Chennai-6, R.No.52347/MCH-II/A1/2020 Dated: 13.08.2020.
- 3) State Task Force Committee Meeting Conducted on 22.02.2021.

With reference to the letters and meeting Cited above, I invite your kind attention that National Deworming Day 2021 has been proposed to be conducted in three rounds from March 15th to 27^h March 2021, through all HSCs/ICDS centres as follows:

1st Round	15.03.2021 to 20.03.2021	4 Days-Monday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday
2 nd Round	22.03.2021 to 27.03.2021	4 Days-Monday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday
Mop-up Round	29.03.2021	1 Day-Monday

The objective of the National Deworming Day is to deworm all preschool and school-age children (enrolled and non-enrolled) between the ages of 1-19 Years of age group through the platform of schools and anganwadi centers in order to improve their overall health, nutritional status, access to education and quality of life.

Presently, based on various recommendations of experts, NDD program has to be continued to keep people safe, maintain continuity of deworming efforts in the country while ensuring an effective response to COVID-19.

In this connection to the above, the following role has been assigned for the School Education Department:

- All Teachers at Government and Government Aided schools should be involved in the programme (if available).
- AEO of Education Department should supervise the programme as per the microplan activities and ensure protocols are followed in the administration site.
- Drug should be consumed under the supervision of Teachers wherever applicable.
- The Class Teacher should ensure the intake of Albendazole tablets by the school children over phone.
- Atleast 30 minutes waiting period to be used for group counseling about the benefit of NDD drug and avoid individual counseling.

Hence, all the Chief Educational officers and District Educational Officers are directed to communicate necessary instructions to all types of Government and Government Aided Schools to coordinate along with HSCs/ICDS department for the conduction of National Deworming Day Programme from March 15th to 27h March 2021.

Moreover, all types of Government and Government Aided School teachers may have to be instructed to follow the above mentioned assigned role to conduct the National Deworming Day 2021 from March 15th to 27th March 2021.

Director of School Education

To

All Chief Educational Officers All District Educational Officers

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