

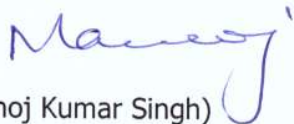
No. NNM/2/2017-WBP
Government of India
Ministry of Women and Child Development
POSHAN Abhiyaan

Shastri Bhawan,
New Delhi.
Dated the 24th April, 2018

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Minutes of the meeting of National Council on India's Nutrition Challenges held on 18.04.2018 at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi.

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith a copy of the minutes of the meeting of National Council on India's Nutrition Challenges held on 18.04.2018 at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi under the Chairmanship of Dr. Rajiv Kumar, Vice-Chairman, NITI Aayog, for information and necessary action at the end of respective Ministry/Department/Organization.


(Manoj Kumar Singh)
Director

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Minutes of Meeting of National Council on India's Nutrition Challenges
held on 18th April 2018 at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi

Ministry Secretary, M/o W.C.D.
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NITI Aayog
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Dated: 23.04.2018

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Approval of the Draft Minutes of the First Meeting of National Council on India's Nutrition Challenges

Ministry of Women & Child Development may kindly refer to their D.O. No. NNM/2/2017-WBP dated 20.04.2018 on the above cited subject.

The undersigned is directed to enclose a copy of the approved Minutes of the Meeting held on 18.04.2018 under the Chairpersonship of Vice Chairman, NITI Aayog.

R.V.P. Singh

(Dr. R.V.P. Singh)
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Minutes of Meeting of National Council on India's Nutrition Challenges
held on 18th April 2018 at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi

The 1st meeting of the National Council on India's Nutrition Challenges was held under the Chairmanship of Dr. Rajiv Kumar, Vice Chairman, NITI Aayog, on 18th April 2018 at Vigyan Bhawan.

2. The Council is mandated to provide policy directions to address India's nutritional challenges through coordinated inter-sectoral action; coordinate and review convergence between Ministries; and review programmes for nutrition on a quarterly basis.

3. The Agenda of the Meeting is placed at **Annexure-I** and the List of Attendees is at **Annexure-II**.

4. **Shri Rakesh Srivastava, Secretary, MoWCD** at the outset welcomed all members to the 1st meeting of the Council. As part of the opening remarks he gave a brief on POSHAN Abhiyaan which included the budget outlay of three years, the targets to be achieved and the Roll-out details. He briefly touched upon the components of POSHAN Abhiyaan and their significance. He elaborated upon the Convergence Platform and the aim to achieve multi-sectoral convergence as part of the Abhiyaan.

5. **Dr. Vinod Paul, Member, NITI Aayog** delivered the special address. He explained the significance of the first 1000 days of life and its importance in controlling malnutrition. He highlighted the key interventions, the importance of early breastfeeding, quantity of food required by children over 1 year of age, *Rotavirus* and *Pneumococcal* vaccines. The significance of Home-based New Born Care (HBNC) and Home-based Young Child Care (HBYC) Schemes was brought out. The importance of Strategies for Convergence and Behavioural Change were elaborated upon. Certain recommendations were placed before the Council for consideration which are covered as part of the Agenda below.

6. **Shri Ram Vilas Paswan, Hon'ble Minister of Consumer Affairs and Food & Public Distribution** highlighted that overcoming malnutrition was a fundamental issue which needs to be tackled in a Mission mode. He stressed on the need to simplify processes through technology, adopting a practical approach and ensure timely service delivery to the beneficiaries without any bias. The importance of empowering the Aanganwadi Workers to ensure proper delivery of services and focus on availability of resources was stressed. He requested the members to give constructive suggestions so that the overall system could be improved. He emphasized on providing good quality Hot Cooked Meals and Take Home Rations to the beneficiaries through local Self Help Groups and ensuring region-location based recipe/ dietary diversification.

7. **Shri Hardeep Singh Puri, Hon'ble Minister for State (I/C) Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs** exhorted the Ministry of Women and Child Development for having allotted a budget of more than ₹ 9000 crore for the programme, as well as, the result oriented targeted approach being followed. He highlighted that the targets which have been set are

challenging and therefore would need a synergy between all Line Ministries and other stakeholders. He brought out the role of his Ministry in terms of the Swachh Bharat Mission, AMRUT and Waste Management Schemes and how these are enablers towards a malnutrition free India. He further added that infant and child malnutrition was at the core of developing a New India. He stressed on the issue of behavioural change without which any amount of infrastructure build-up would not enable us to achieve the desired targets. *Jan Andolan* similar to Swachh Bharat Mission could be achieved by co-opting the Civil Society and POSHAN *Abhiyaan* needs to be converted from 'Governments Project' to a 'Peoples' Project'. The co-opting of POSHAN as part of the 'Swachta Mission' and Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY) needs to be explored by the two dealing Ministries.

8. **The Chairman** as part of his Keynote Address highlighted that removal of malnutrition was essential in case we want our Nation to be counted as part of the developed Countries. He urged the house to pledge towards not only achieving the desired targets but to do better. The National Nutrition Strategy had been released by NITI Aayog in September 2017 and a State-wise index based on nutrition is being prepared to track the progress. The data shall be monitored on a quarterly basis and shared in public domain. The establishment of National Technical Board on Nutrition was highlighted along with its role of central technical monitoring of all nutrition related schemes and interventions wherever required. In such a large scheme benefiting about 10 crore people it was important to ensure efficiency and that no leakages take place. He stressed on the need of convergence between various stakeholders at Centre as well as State level.

9. **Dr. Rajesh Kumar, Mission Director, POSHAN Abhiyaan & Joint Secretary MoWCD** gave an overview of POSHAN *Abhiyaan* and covered the various components in detail and how each of these contribute towards the overall aim of the Abhiyaan. The Convergence mechanism at Centre, State, District and Block level was stressed upon. The Launch of Centralised Call Centre was highlighted. As part of the roll-out plan it was brought out that once the list Phase-II 235 districts during 2018-19 (placed before the Council as agenda Point for approval) was approved the scheme could be rolled out across 550 districts (315 Phase-I and 235 Phase-II districts) aiming to cover about 10.5 lakh Aanganwadi by December 2018. The key recommendations of the Executive Committee were discussed, followed by the Emerging Issues. The progress made as part of implementation which included, circulation of various guidelines & manuals; Training of Master Trainers; orientation of States and Districts; Conduct of National Workshop; allotment of funds; sanction of loan from World Bank, deployment of Swasth Bharat Preraks at District level etc. was placed before the Council . During the discussions certain key aspects emerged which are included as part of the directions below.

10. **Shri Rahul Mullick, Digital & ICT Head, BMGF** explained the various features of the Common Application Software which is the backbone of the POSHAN Abhiyaan. Both the mobile application and the Dashboard were explained to the members. The issues of data entry by Aanganwadi workers and the real time monitoring, followed by interventions, wherever required was highlighted. The present coverage and Pan-India roll-out plan was

put before the members. Certain directions on third party checks and data validation were given and are included at paragraph 34.

Agenda Points

11. Agenda 1:

11.1 **Package of interventions matrix for the first 1000 days.** Dr Vinod Kumar Paul explained the importance and significance of the first 1000 days of a child and the requirement for all aligned departments/ministries to converge on the issue. The following points were also highlighted.

(a) Roll out HBYC within a month; intensify Home Based Newborn Care – reach high coverage. An action plan to be worked out.

(b) Scale up *Rotavirus* and *Pneumococcal* vaccine in the 201 high malnutrition burden districts this year.

11.2 **The Agenda was endorsed by the Council.**

12. Agenda 2:

12.1 **Establishment of Social and Behaviour Change Strategy Group.** Dr. Vinod Kumar Paul, Member NITI Aayog highlighted the importance of steering a *Jan Andolan* on Nutrition and therefore, the requirement to work out a comprehensive Policy and Strategy to handle Behavioural Change, which is one of the key components of the Abhiyaan. The establishment of a Social and Behavioural Change Strategy Group was recommended.

12.2 **The Council endorsed the Agenda and agreed to set-up a 'POSHAN Abhiyaan Jan Andolan Strategy Group' at NITI Aayog.**

13. Agenda 3:

13.1 **Confirmation on List of 235 Districts of Phase-II for roll-out during 2018-19 of POSHAN Abhiyaan.** The methodology adopted for short listing of 235 districts was elaborated by Mission Director. The process involved stunting based selection, ensuring all LWE and Aspirational Districts were included and the North Eastern region got its share.

Adviser (NITI Aayog) pointed out that apart from the criterion listed above, we should also take one district per State with lowest wasting to ensure malnutrition free districts which will give a huge fillip to the POSHAN Abhiyaan due to its signalling value.

13.2 The criterion for selection of the districts for Phase II was approved with the modification as suggested by adviser (NITI Aayog).

14. **Agenda 4:**

14.1 **Provision of Smartphones instead of Tablets to Lady Supervisor.** As part of POSHAN Abhiyaan AWWs are to be provided with Smartphones for data entry and Lady Supervisor (LS) with a Tablet. The Mission Director brought out that based on experience of ISSNIP, the performance of Tablets has not been satisfactory and certain States had highlighted this issue. This was primarily due to the fact that technology for Tablets has not developed and matured to the level of Smartphones which was leading to unsatisfactory performance. The issue of disposal of existing devices was discussed.

14.2 **The Agenda was endorsed and approved by the Council.**

15. **Agenda 5:**

15.1 **Direct transfer of Funds to States/UTs for Cash Award to frontline functionaries, instead of creation of Corpus Fund.** POSHAN Abhiyaan has a provision to create a Corpus Fund of ₹ 150 Crore, interest accrued on the Corpus is to be utilised towards giving cash awards to frontline functionaries. The Mission Director brought out that as per Guidelines/ instructions issued by Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance on the subject **funds created out of borrowing, add to fiscal deficit and become liability of the Government, hence, proposal for creation of funds either out of revenue stream or out of Government borrowing will not be allowed.** Accordingly, the approval for establishment of the Corpus Fund is not likely to be granted by Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance. It is therefore, recommended that funds be directly realised to States for giving away the cash awards, based on Guidelines to be prepared and issued by MWCD in consultation with NITI Aayog.

15.2 **The Agenda was in-principle approved by the Council.** However, it was desired that Ministry of Women & Child Development and NITI Aayog would evolve comprehensive guidelines for the joint incentives for direct transfer of allocated amount to States/UTs in consultation with Department of Expenditure Affairs, Ministry of Finance.

16. The Chairman brought out that the Council had received a reference from the Hon'ble Minister of WCD with respect to administration of Supplementary Nutrition i.e. its composition and delivery. The Chairman drew attention to the PMO decision in this regard and the need for continuance of the existing practice of Hot Cooked Meals for Children (03-06 years) age group and Take Home Ration (THR) for Children (06 months-03 years) and Pregnant Women and Lactating Mothers as decided by the state Governments in conformity with the National Foods Security Act, 2013 and the Supplementary Nutrition Rules, 2017. **This view was endorsed unanimously by the Council.**

Points from States

17. **Smt. Anita Bhadel, Minister of State (I/C), DWCD Government of Rajasthan** suggested that frontline workers like Aanganwadi Workers should be given scheme-based incentives for achieving assigned targets. She further suggested dissemination of benefits through DBT to beneficiaries. The issue of child marriage and discrimination against women in our society was brought out and its inclusion in the overall *Jan Andolan* programme was stressed.
18. **Smt. Ramshila Sahu Minister, DWCD Government of Chhattisgarh** impressed on the States performance in substantially reducing the stunting level. The steps initiated at State level to holistically address the issue of mal-nutrition and initiate behavioural change were highlighted.
19. **Smt. Kumari Manju Verma, Minister, SWD Government of Bihar**, stressed on the close coordination required between Government of India and State Governments to achieve desired aims of POSHAN Abhiyaan. She also highlighted the environmental hazards like floods which affect the State of Bihar.
20. **Smt. Anupama Jaiswal, Minister of State (I/C), Bal Vikas Sewa Evam Pustahar, Government of Uttar Pradesh**, exhorted the Government of India's initiative on POSHAN *Abhiyaan*. She highlighted the Schemes being initiated at State level to strengthen the programme and suggested the involvement of mothers in the process of food preparation at Aanganwadi Centres/Schools. She further highlighted that how a social group of 10 lakh mothers had been created in U.P., which could now be harnessed as part of *Jan Andolan*.
21. **Dr. V. Saroja, Minister of Social welfare, ICDS Department of Social Welfare & NMP, Government of Tamil Nadu** highlighted the achievements of the State. She brought out the initiatives being taken at State level to achieve the desired goals. Though progress had been made, there was a long way to cover and therefore various strategies have been realigned. Under ICDS 54,000 Aanganwadi and 35 lakh beneficiaries are being provided services across the State. She suggested that the Chief Ministers of States should initiate the coordination process between various departments.

Points Raised by Members

22. **Shri Arava Rajkamal, Deputy Commissioner, Paschimi Singhbhum**, suggested for allotment of Flexi-Funds at District Level as was being done in Swach Bharat Mission.
23. **Shri Raja Raman, Joint Secretary, DoE, MoF** suggested that the issue of availability of Aanganwadi Workers should be built into the Dashboard. Also, the fund utilisation vis-a-vis the allotment may also be reflected on the Dashboard. He further suggested that in the next Council Meeting the IEC Advocacy and Behavioural Change Strategy as part of the *Abhiyaan* should be presented and discussed. Similarly, concerned Ministry/Department/Stakeholder(s) should present the methodology and strategy of

contribution towards the Convergence framework of POSHAN *Abhiyaan*, as part of the next meeting.

[Action:MoWCD, concerned Ministries/Departments/Stakeholders]

24. **Shri Atal Dullo, Joint Secretary, MoRD** suggested the involvement of SHGs like DAY-NRLM across various schemes to work towards *Jan Andolan* for nutrition. He highlighted that 5 crore women and 40 lakh workers meet every week and could be channelized towards behavioural change.

[Action: MoWCD]

25. **Shri V.K. Tiwari, Joint Secretary, MoTA**, stressed the point of special focus required towards tribal belts and coverage of Aanganwadi in these belts needs to be improved. He also highlighted that fortification and other issues like Vitamin-D may need careful introduction in certain areas especially where there are issues of Sickle Cell Anaemia and Thalassaemia.

26. **Dr. Chandrakant S. Pandav, Former Professor & Head, CCM, AIIMS** suggested that all members of the Council should participate in the VHSN Day activities atleast once in three months. He highlighted that we need to learn from the success stories of other schemes and programmes.

27. Ms. Navika Gupta, Deputy director, MoIB highlighted that the Ministry will contribute in terms of multimedia, social media and regional media campaigns as part of the POSHAN *Abhiyaan*. Special programmes through Song & Drama Division need to be worked out.

[Action: MoWCD, MoIB]

Issues Discussed and Directions Thereon

28. The issue of Hot Cooked meals and THR at Aanganwadi was discussed and deliberated upon. Secretary, MWCD brought out that help of SHGs and mothers (whose children were in the Aanganwadi) was being sought in preparing the meals. 17 States were following this approach and the menu had been fixed based on the demographic profile as well as the availability of local resources. The point was also stressed upon by Hon'ble Minister of CAF&PD. **It was agreed that the mothers should be involved for preparation of the meals to ensure quality and encourage *Jan bhagidari*.**

[Action:All States/UTs]

29. The issue of De-worming was highlighted by Mission Director, POSHAN *Abhiyaan* and it was suggested that a study be ordered to ascertain the impact of the Scheme and it be extended to cover the entire population above one year in 'Pulse Polio Mode' instead of addressing only from 1 to 19 years of age. The Council agreed to the suggestion and Ministry of Health was advised to examine the proposal especially in view of high level of Anaemia and STH infestations.

[Action:MoH&FW]

30. Food fortification issue was raised by Mission Director, POSHAN . He highlighted that the Food Security & Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) has issued Standards for a Comprehensive Regulations on 16th October 2016 for Double Fortified Salt (DFS), Milk, Oil, Wheat Flour and Rice. The standards provide for 'Voluntary' Fortification only, though the concerned Ministries i.e. MoWCD, MoH&FW, and MoCAFPD had recommended for 'Mandatory' Fortification. However MoWCD and MoHRD have mandated use of Fortified Oil, Wheat Flour and DFS in ICDS and MDM respectively. Considering high level of Anaemia and Vitamin-D deficiency in the Country, the Council directed that Fortification of Oil (Vitamin-A&D), Salt (Iron+ Iodine) and Milk (Vitamins-A&D) should be taken-up immediately , besides fortification of Wheat flour in ICDS and MDM, wherever feasible.

[Action:FSSAI, MoH&FW, MoCAF&PD,MoWCD]

31. The issue of advance release of funds to the Field Functionaries for CBE and ILA by States was raised. There were apprehensions towards practicality of such a system working on ground. Secretary, WCD, Chhattisgarh confirmed that the Government of Chhattisgarh was successfully implementing it on ground and could be replicated by other States/UTs.

[Action:All States/UTs]

32. During discussions on the Package of interventions matrix for the first 1000 days (Agenda 1) Ms. Mala Shrivastava DM, Bahraich (U.P.) highlighted that though the aspect of convergence was well understood, however, the institutional infrastructure required to ensure the implementation of the soft components also needs to be looked into. Further the delivery mechanism for HBNC needs to be strengthened. The following was directed.

(a) As part of POSHAN Abhiyaan the delivery mechanism for Package of Intervention for 1000 days be worked out.

(b) A formal evaluation on coverage and quality of HBNC be conducted by Ministry of Health.

[Action:MoWCD, MoH&FW]

33. The issue of non-availability of Aanganwadi buildings in urban areas was brought out by Ms. Sheetal Verma, DM, Sitapur (U.P.). The Mission Director brought that the point had been discussed with the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs and it had been in-principle agreed upon to include the construction of Aanganwadi as part of the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojna-Urban. Further, Water and Toilets may be provided under Swachtha Bharat Mission-Urban. Accordingly, a joint convergence guideline should be worked out on the issue.

[Action:MoWCD, MoH&UA]

34. During the presentation on ICDS Common Application Software discussions on the training of Aanganwadi workers to handle technology, quality of data entry, and other related issues took place. ICT & Digital Head, BMGF clarified that an analysis of quality of data entry was being carried out. The following was directed.

- (a) Third party evaluation of the technology being used
- (b) Regular re-validation of data being entered, thorough third party.
- (c) Explore ways to digitise the training of frontline functionaries. The training needs to be a combination of classroom and digital media.

[Action:BMGF, MoWCD]

35. Shri Ram Vilas Paswan, Hon'ble Minister of Consumer Affairs and Food & Public Distribution recommended improvement of working conditions of AWW and incentives wherever warranted. The Government of India and States need to coordinate this issue.

36. Some of the district magistrates (members of the council) stressed upon the need to initiate pilot testing of Cash Transfer in lieu of THR. It was directed that Pilots may be conducted in 10 selected districts for conditional cash transfer (CCT) through direct benefit transfer to beneficiaries instead of THR. In formulation of guidelines for CCTs expert advice may be sought so that the pitfalls in DBT in PDS may be avoided. The results to be studied against the conventional system being followed and a decision taken thereon.

[Action: MoWCD]

37. **Ms. Mala Shrivastava DM, Bahraich (U.P.)** raised the point of education level of the Aanganwadi Workers and their non-availability. The Secretary, MoWCD clarified that to ease the problem of engaging Aanganwadi workers the powers of employing the Aanganwadi workers were now vested with DC/DM at district level instead at the State level, also the 50 % quota of promoting Aanganwadi workers as supervisors has now been delegated at district level. In order to address the issue of qualification of Aanganwadi districts a flexible policy is being allowed to meet the varied requirements at district level.

38. **Secretary, MoWCD** highlighted that all the line Ministries/Departments had participated during the Video-Conferencing with States and had brought out the various schemes which could be aligned towards convergence at State and District level. MoWCD would further issue Guidelines on the subject.

[Action: MoWCD]

39. The Chair thanked all members for their participation and contributions. There being no other point the meeting was closed.

Agenda**Meeting of the National Council on India's Nutrition Challenges****Venue:** Hall No. 3, Vigyan Bhawan, Maulana Azad Road, New Delhi**Date:** 18.04.2018**Time:** 10:30 a.m.-01:30 p.m.

Time	Agenda Item	Speaker
10:30 a.m.-10:40 a.m.	Welcome Address and Opening Remarks	Shri Rakesh Srivastava Secretary, MWCD
10:40 a.m.-11:05 a.m.	Special Address and Agenda regarding "Package of Interventions for first 1000 days"	Dr. Vinod Paul Member, NITI Aayog
11:05 a.m.-11:15 a.m.	Key Note Address	Dr. Rajiv Kumar Vice Chairman, NITI Aayog
11:15 a.m.-11:45 a.m.	<u>Poshan Abhiyaan</u> ➤ An Overview ➤ Recommendations of Executive Committee ➤ Key Emerging Issues ➤ Roll-out and Implementation <u>Agenda</u> ➤ Confirmation of 235 additional districts as part of Phase II of POSHAN Abhiyaan ➤ Provision of Smartphones instead of Tablets to Lady Supervisors. ➤ Direct transfer of Funds to States/UTs for Cash Award to frontline functionaries, instead of creation of Corpus Fund.	Dr. Rajesh Kumar Joint Secretary, MWCD
11:45 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	Real Time Monitoring through ICDS-CAS: Key Features and Highlights	BMGF+ DIMAGI
12:00 p.m.-12:10 p.m.	Monitoring Outcomes	Col. Sameer Kanwar (Retd) Consultant, POSHAN Abhiyaan
Time	Agenda Item	Speaker
12:10 p.m.-12:20 p.m.	Way Forward ➤ Central Government ➤ State Government /UT Administration ➤ Districts /Blocks/ Aanganwadi Level	Shri Rakesh Srivastava Secretary, MWCD
12:20 p.m.-01:05 p.m.	Any other issues with permission of Chair	

01:05 p.m.-01:25 p.m.	Final Comments	Dr. Rajiv Kumar Vice Chairman, NITI Aayog
01:25 p.m.-01:30 p.m.	Vote of Thanks	Shri Alok Kumar Advisor, NITI Aayog
1:30 PM	LUNCH	

List of Participants

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2. Shri Hardeep S. Puri, Hon'able Minister of State (I/C), Housing & Urban Affairs

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3. Shri Kashish Mittal, A.P.S to Vice Chairman
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5. Shri Alok Kumar, Advisor
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8. Shri Alok Dubey, RA

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2. Smt. Anupama Jaiswal, Hon'ble Minister of State (I/C), Bal Vikas Sewa evam Pushtahar, Government of Uttar Pradesh
3. Smt. Anita Bhadel, Hon'ble Minister of State (I/C), Department of Women and Child Development, Government of Rajasthan
4. Dr. V. Saroja, Hon'ble Minister for Social Welfare, ICDS Department of Social Welfare and NMP, Government of Tamil Nadu
5. Smt. Ramshila Sahu, Hon'ble Minister, Department of Women and Child Development, Government of Chhattisgarh

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5. Shri Atal Dulloo, Joint Secretary,MoRD
6. Shri Vinod Kumar Tiwari, Joint Secretary, MoTA
7. Shri V.K. Jindal, Joint Secretary, SBM, MoUD
8. Shri Raja Raman, Joint Secretary, DoE, MoF
9. Shri K.S. Sethi, Joint Secretary, MoPR
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12. Shri Hiranya Borah, DDG, MoDW&S
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3. Shri Deepak Meena, DM, Shravasti (U.P.)
4. Ms. Sheetal Verma, DM, Sitapur (U.P.)
5. Shri Kunal Silku, DM, Siddharthnagar (U.P.)
6. Shri Ratnakar Mishra, ADM, Gonda (U.P.)
7. Shri Arava Rajkamal, Deputy Commissioner, Pashchimi Singhbhum (Jharkhand)
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