To
The Chief Medical Officers – North, South, West, Gomati, Sepahijala, Khowai, Dhalai & Unakoti

Sub: Regarding formation of Adverse Event Management (AEM) team for National deworming Day, February 2019

Madam/Sir,

As you are aware that eighth round of National Deworming Day will be conducted on February 8, 2019 followed by mop-up day on February 14, 2019 in all districts. A part from anganwadi centre and schools, the program will be extended up to the level of degree colleges, technical, medical, Polytech., ITI to cover up to 19 years of age group.

The deworming drug (Albendazole 400 mg) used in the Government of India’s school and anganwadi centre – based mass deworming program - NDD - is effective, very safe, and approved by the WHO and the MOHFW of India for treating soil-transmitted helminths in preschool and school-age children.

Extensive experience of deworming millions of children worldwide confirms that this drug itself causes only rare, mild and transient side events or adverse drug reactions, and that these reactions are generally related to degeneration of the worms that have been killed. Most of the adverse events observed in school programs occur during initial rounds of implementation of the intervention – a time when children harbor more infections of high intensity. Mild abdominal pain, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea and fatigue are the most commonly reported adverse events in some children with increased worm load, are not serious and do not normally require medical treatment.

An effective Adverse Event Protocol is intended to protect the program, and those who administer the program, by providing clear instructions on the management of adverse events. Although rare, adverse events can and do occur in programs on a large scale in mass drug administration, and all stakeholders should be well-prepared to ensure safety of all children participating in the program.

In this connection, all CMOs are directed to take necessary action in regards to formation AEM team in their respective district by January 30, 2019 and convey the same to the undersigned. Adverse Event Management Protocol and advisory note in case of adverse event is enclosed herewith for reference.

Following GoI guideline, the medicines required to manage adverse event are shown below in tabulated form & facility wise tentative requisite quantities are also shown for your guidance and reference.

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You are requested to procure necessary medicines utilizing RKS fund and guide the concerned officials to ensure for timely referral of case with any serious adverse event to the health institution for treatment.

Thanking you

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. Shailesh Kumar Yadav, IAS)
Mission Director (NHM)
Government of Tripura

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1. The Director, Family Welfare & Preventive Medicine department, Government of Tripura for information
2. The Superintendent, AGMC, Hospital for information and necessary action
3. The Superintendent, TMC, Hospital for information and necessary action
4. The State Nodal Officer, NDD, DFWPM department, Government of Tripura for information and necessary action.
5. The District Education Officer -Dhalai/Khowai/Gomati/North/Sepahijala/South/Unakoti & West Tripura for information and necessary action.
6. The District Inspector of Social Education Officer -Dhalai/Khowai/Gomati/North/Sepahijala/South/Unakoti & West Tripura for information and necessary action.
7. The Principal Officer, Education, TTAADC, Tripura
8. The Principal Officer, Social Welfare & Social Education, TTAADC, Tripura
9. The Nodal Officer, RBSK, NHM, Government of Tripura for information and necessary action
10. The District Nodal Officer (Health), Dhalai/Khowai/Gomati/North/Sepahijala/South/Unakoti & West Tripura for information and necessary action.
11. The State Program Manager, Evidence Action, State Office, Tripura for information

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1. PS to the Secretary, Health & Family Welfare, Government of Tripura for kind information.

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