OFFICE OF THE MISSION DIRECTOR NATIONAL HEALTH MISSION GOVERNMENT OF TRIPURA

No.F.13 (3-62)-DFWPM/PHS/DEWORM/2018/ (Sub-I)

Dated 16th January 2020

То

The Chief Medical Officer

West Tripura/ Khowai/ Sepahijala/Gomati/ South Tripura/North Tripura/Unakoti/ Dhalai, Government of Tripura

Sub: Regarding involvement of RBSK teams for management of adverse events and create awareness during National Deworming Day February 2020

Madam/Sir,

As you are aware that tenth round of National Deworming Day will be observed on February 17, 2020 followed by mop-up day on February 24, 2020 in all districts. Beyond school and *anganwadis*, the program extended hard-to-reach area like degree and technical colleges/institutes, brickkilns and tea plantation sites etc.

Although, Albendazole 400 mg tablets is safe to administer in children, but in cases with high worm load, events like nausea, dizziness, vomiting, etc. may happen. As adverse events create a concern in the community and leads to setback in the program, it is essential to ensure the preparation at all levels to manage such events.

In this regard you are directed to ensure the involvement of Block level mobile teams of RBSK with proper orientation to manage such adverse events if occur any during implementation of NDD (February 17, 2020) and mopup day (February 24, 2020). (enclosed adverse event management protocol and adverse event advisory note) In addition, RBSK teams will also create awareness on National Deworming Day during their regular visits by sharing the benefits of deworming, promotion of hygiene and sanitation practices and information on implementation day to ensure high attendance of children in schools and anganwadis.

Further you are requested to guide the concerned officials to ensure for timely referral of case with any serious adverse event to the health institution for treatment.

Yours Faithfully,

Mission Director (NHM)
Government of Tripura

Encl as stated

Copy to:

- 1. The Director, Family Welfare and Preventive Medicine, Government of Tripura for information
- 2. The State Nodal Officer, NDD, Directorate of Family Welfare and Preventive Medicine, Government of Tripura for information and necessary action.
- 3. The Nodal Officer, RBSK, NHM, Government of Tripura for information and necessary action
- 4. The District Nodal Officer (Health), Dhalai/Khowai/Gomati/North/Sepahijala/South/Unakoti & West Tripura for information and necessary action.
- 5. The State Program Manager, Evidence Action, State Office, Tripura for information

Copy forwarded to: -

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

Mission Director (NHM)