## OFFICE OF THE MISSION DIRECTOR NATIONAL HEALTH MISSION GOVERNMENT OF TRIPURA

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

Dated

25<sup>th</sup> June 2019

To 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 August 2019

## Madam/Sir,

As you are aware that ninth round of National Deworming Day will be observed on August 8, 2019 followed by mop-up day on August 19, 2019 in all districts. Beyond school and *anganwadi* centre, the program extended up to the level of degree and technical colleges/institutes to cover up to 19 years of age group.

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 (August 8, 2019) and mop-up day (August 19, 2019). (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* centers. Community handbill (English & Bengali version) on NDD has been enclosed which can be used by RBSK teams for spreading awareness.

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.

Thanking you

Yours Faithfully,

(Dr. Shailesh K Yadav, IAS) 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

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

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