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

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

Dated

25th June 2019

To The Lieutenant Colonel Offg. Commanding Officer 13 Tripura Bn NCC College Tilla, Agartala 799004, West Tripura

Subject: Involvement of National Cadet Corps (NCC) in spreading awareness on National Deworming Day August 2019

#### Sir/Madam,

This is with reference to the preparations for the upcoming mass National Deworming Day (NDD) to be held on August 8, 2019 followed by mop-up day on August 19, 2019 in *anganwadi* centres and Schools (Government and Private). Beyond schools and *anganwadi* centres, the program extended up to the level of degree and technical colleges/institutes to cover up to 19 years of age group across the state.

- 2. State Health & Family Welfare department, Government of Tripura would like to thanks 13 Tripura Bn National Cadet Corps (NCC) for the continued support in spreading awareness efforts in schools and colleges during NDD February 2019 in Tripura.
- 3. As you aware that deworming is significant for children as it improves their health (prevents anaemia, malnourishment, impaired mental and physical development) and leads to better education (improves attendance and retention of children in school and *anganwadis*) and livelihood opportunities (better adult outcomes and economic development) for them.
- 4. Community mobilization and awareness generation is critical component for the successful implementation of NDD program. 13 Tripura Bn National Cadet Corps (NCC) can play a crucial role in sensitizing and spreading awareness on importance of NDD at schools and colleges. We would like to involve the NCC cadets from August 5 to 7, 2019 and August 12 to 18, 2019 for spreading awareness about the NDD program among the following
  - Parents who have children falling in the school going age group and motivate them to send their
    children to schools (in case of enrolled children) and *anganwadi* centers (in case of out-ofschool children) on NDD (August 8) and mop-up day (August 19)
  - Parents of children above 1 and below the age of 6 for sending their children to *anganwadi* centers on NDD (August 8) and mop-up day (August 19).
  - Organizing rally, school assembly/prayer, motivate students to avail deworming benefits, support teacher on NDD and mop-up day etc.
  - Please note that NCC should not be engaged in administering deworming drug to children at schools and anganwadi centres.
- 5. In this regard you are requested to issue directions to concerned officials and NCC to support in community mobilization activities and share a copy of the letter with State Nodal Officer, National

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seworming Day program at the Department of Health (Email: nddtripura@gmail.com, 9862670872). Your concerned officials can coordinate with District Nodal Officers (Annexure1) of respective district for ease of coordination at field level. Also, kindly share the approximate number of NCC cadets to be involved by you across the state for National Deworming Day in August 2019.

- 6. Community Handbill on National Deworming Day is enclosed (**Annexure 2**) herewith for facilitation of the same.
- 7. Further, we will be happy to receive an action taken report on the community mobilization and awareness activities on NDD under 13 Tripura Bn NCC as per template enclosed (Annexure 3) by August 30, 2019 via email at nddtripura@gmail.com
- 8. We look forward to continue support and cooperation

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 Director, Elementary Education, Government of Tripura for information.
- 3. The Director, Secondary Education, Government of Tripura for information.
- 4. The Director, Higher Education, Government of Tripura for information
- 5. The State Nodal Officer, NDD Family Welfare & Preventive Medicine, Government of Tripura for information and necessary action.
- 6. All Chief Medical Officers West Tripura / Khowai / Sepahijala / Gomati/South Tripura / Unakoti / North Tripura / Dhalai for information and necessary action
- 7. All District Education Officers West Tripura / Khowai / Sepahijala / Gomati/South Tripura / Unakoti / North Tripura / Dhalai for information and necessary action
- 8. The Principal Officer, Education, TTAADC, Tripura for information and necessary action
- The Principal Officer, Social Welfare & Social Education, TTAADC, Tripura for information and necessary action
- 10. All District Nodal Officers West Tripura / Khowai / Sepahijala / Gomati/South Tripura / Unakoti / North Tripura / Dhalai for information and necessary action
- 11. The State Program Manager, Evidence Action, State Office, Tripura for information

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- PS to the Secretary, Health & Family Welfare department, Government of Tripura for kind information.
- 2. PS to the Secretary, School Education department, Government of Tripura for kind information.
- 3. PS to the Chief Executive Officer, TTAADC, Government of Tripura for information.

(Dr. Shailesh K Yadav, IAS)