OFFICE OF THE MISSION DIRECTOR
NATIONAL HEALTH MISSION
GOVERNMENT OF TRIPURA

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Dated 04th July 2019

To
The State Secretary
Bharat Scouts and Guides,
4th floor, Shiksha Bhavan, Office Lane,
Agartala - 799001

Subject: Involvement of Bharat Scouts and Guides (BSG) 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. 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. Bharat Scouts and Guides (BSG) can play a crucial role in sensitizing and spreading awareness on importance of NDD at schools and community. We would like to involve the Bharat Scouts and Guides 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-of-school 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

- Please note that Bharat Scouts and Guides member 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 of BSG to support in community mobilization activities and share a copy of the letter with State Nodal Officer, National Deworming 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 BSG member 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 by BSG 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. Shailendra 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. All District Inspector of Social Education - West Tripura / Khowai / Sepahijala / Gomati / South Tripura / Unakoti / North Tripura / Dhalai for information and necessary action
9. The Principal Officer, Education, TTAADC, Tripura for information and necessary action
10. The Principal Officer, Social Welfare & Social Education, TTAADC, Tripura for information and necessary action
11. All District Nodal Officers - West Tripura / Khowai / Sepahijala / Gomati / South Tripura / Unakoti / North Tripura / Dhalai for information and necessary action
12. 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.
2. PS to the Secretary, School Education department, Government of Tripura for kind information.

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