No. 11/2/2022-CD-I Government of India Ministry of Women and Child Development

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi - 110001, Dated: 10TH May, 2023

To

The Principal Secretaries/Secretaries min-charge dealing with Saksham Anganwadi and POSHAN 2.0 in all States/UTs (except Arunachal Pradesh, Goa, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, Tripura, West Bengal, Chandigarh, Delhi, Jammu & Kashmir, Ladakh, Lakshadweep and Puducherry)

Upgradation of Mini Anganwadi Centres to Main Anganwadi Centres -Subject: Reg.

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Ministry's earlier letters of even number dated 08.07.2022, 28.10.2022, 14.12.2022 and 20.03.2023 regarding upgradation of Mini-Anganwadi Centres to Main Anganwadi Centres across the country.

- In this regard it is stated that the workload of Anganwadi Workers at Mini-Anganwadi Centres has substantially increased with the additional daily responsibilities related to Early Childhood Care & Education (ECCE) and several new components/initiatives under Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0 have been introduced for the fight towards eradication of malnutrition. Therefore, there is utmost need of additional hand as Anganwadi Helper at Mini Anganwadi Centres to effectively implement the scheme.
- In view of the above, this Ministry has taken a policy decision to upgrade all Mini-Anganwadi Centres into regular Anganwadi Centres, subject to the condition that the approval/ concurrence Finance Department of the State/UT is obtained to bear the additional financial implication arising out of this upgradation. Therefore, all States/UTs are requested to send their proposals for upgradation of all Mini AWCs to Main AWCs irrespective of other criteria.

(Capt. Prabhanshu Srivastav)

Deputy Secretary to the Government of India

Copy to:

Directors/Directors in-charge dealing with Saksham Anganwadi and POSHAN 2.0 in all States/UTs (except Arunachal Pradesh, Goa, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, Tripura, West Bengal, Chandigarh, Delhi, Jammu & Kashmir, Ladakh, Lakshadweep and Puducherry)