

OTHER WELFARE SCHEMES

Besides, TPDS & NFSA, Food Corporation of India is also issuing foodgrains under various welfare schemes of the Government of India viz. Mid-Day-Meal, Wheat Based Nutrition Programme, Welfare Institutions & Hostels, Annapurna, Scheme for Adolescent Girls etc. Schemewise overview are as under :-

Mid-Day Meal Scheme

The Mid-Day Meal Scheme was launched on 15.08.1995 by the Ministry of Human Resource Development with a view to enhance enrollment, retention, attendance and simultaneously improving nutritional levels among students in primary schools. . The Scheme presently covers students of Class I-VIII of Government and Government aided schools, Education Guarantee Scheme/Alternative and innovative Education Centres (EGS/AIE).

Wheat Based Nutrition Programme (WBNP)

This Scheme is implemented by the Ministry of Women & Child Development. The foodgrains allotted under this Scheme are utilized by the States/UTs under the Integrated Child Development Scheme (ICDS) for providing nutritious/ energy food to children below 6 years of age and expectant/lactating women.

Scheme For Supply of Foodgrains to Welfare Institution & Hostels

With a view to meet the requirement of Welfare Institutions viz. Charitable Institutions such as beggar homes, nariniketans and other similar welfare institutions, sponsored by State Govt/Union Territory Administrations that are not covered under TPDS or under any other Welfare Schemes. The scheme has been launched w.e.f. 01.09.2017 after merger of two schemes i.e. Welfare Institutions Scheme and SC/ST/OBC Hostels Scheme. The beneficiary institutions/hostels are entitled to receive foodgrains at BPL prices with an upper ceiling of maximum of 15 Kg. per beneficiary per month.

Annapurna Scheme

The Ministry of Rural Development launched the scheme in 2000-01. Department of Food and Public Distribution allocate foodgrains as per the requirement projected by the Ministry of Rural Development. Indigent senior citizens of 65 years of age or above who are not getting pension

under the National Old Age Pension Scheme (NOAPS) are provided 10 kgs. of foodgrains per person per month free of cost under the scheme.

Scheme for Adolescent Girls(SAG)

The Ministry of Women & Child Development launched the Scheme on 19.11.2010 by merging two schemes namely Nutrition Programme for Adolescent Girls (NPAG) and Kishori Shakti Yojana (KSY) in to a single scheme to be implemented in 200 selected districts across the country aims at empowering adolescent girls of 11-18 years by improvement of their nutritional and health status and upgrading various skills like home skills, life skills and vocational skills. The requirement of food grains under the scheme for nutrition is @ 100 grams of grains per beneficiary per day for 300 days in a year. W.e.f. 2017-18 the name of the scheme has again revised to Scheme for Adolescent Girls(SAG) from earlier name Rajiv Gandhi Scheme for Empowerment of Adolescent Girls-“SABLA”.

Supply of foodgrains to Defence and Para-Military forces

FCI also supply foodgrains to the defence personnels and para-military forces on quarterly basis. The Ministry of CAF&PD on receipt of requirement of foodgrains from Ministry of Defence makes the allotment of foodgrains