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Meals Scheme (MDM) is a welfare program introduced by the government to address the issues of hunger, malnutrition, and low school
attendance among children. The scheme aims to provide free and nutritious meals to school children across the country. Under this
initiative, a hot cooked meal is served to children in primary and upper primary schools."". The primary objectives of the Mid Day Meals
Scheme are twofold. Firstly, it seeks to improve the nutritional status of children, ensuring they receive a balanced diet and essential
nutrients necessary for their growth and development. Secondly, it aims to increase school attendance and retention rates by removing
the barrier of hunger and incentivizing parents to send their children to school. Benefits Improved nutritional status of children, leading to
better physical and cognitive development. Increased school attendance and retention rates among children. Reduction in malnutrition-
related health issues among school children. Enhances the concentration and learning abilities of children. Promotes social equality by
ensuring equal access to nutritious meals for children from all socio-economic backgrounds. Alleviates the financial burden on families
by providing free meals to their children. Creates employment opportunities for local communities through the implementation of the
scheme. Eligibility Students in Government and Government-aided schools: The scheme primarily targets students studying in
government and government-aided schools across India. Children enrolled in classes from the primary level up to the secondary level are
eligible to benefit from the scheme. Age criteria: The scheme typically covers children between the ages of 6 and 14 years. However,
specific age requirements may vary slightly from state to state or depending on the educational policies of different regions. Socio-
economic criteria: The Mid Day Meals Scheme aims to benefit children from economically disadvantaged backgrounds. Typically,
children belonging to families with below-poverty-line (BPL) status or those from marginalized communities are given priority for
enrollment in the scheme. School attendance: One of the key eligibility criteria for availing the benefits of the scheme is regular school
attendance. Students are expected to attend school regularly to receive the mid-day meals. Enrolled in recognized schools: Children must
be enrolled in schools recognized by the appropriate education authorities to be eligible for the scheme. The scheme is primarily
implemented in schools that adhere to the government's educational standards and guidelines. Exclusions Children attending secondary or
higher education institutions. Children enrolled in private schools not covered by the government's scheme. Schools or regions where
alternative meal programs are already in place. Application ProcessOfflineStep 1: Registration at the SchoolParents or guardians of
eligible students need to visit the respective school where they wish to enroll their child for the Mid Day Meals Scheme. They will be
required to fill out the registration form provided by the school administration. "">; Step 2: Verification of Eligibility The school authorities
will verify the eligibility of the student based on criteria such as age, enrollment in a recognized school, and socio-economic background.
They may request relevant documents or conduct interviews if necessary."» (Step 3: Enrollment ConfirmationOnce the eligibility is
confirmed, the school administration will notify the parents or guardians about the successful enrollment of their child in the Mid Day
Meals Scheme. They will provide details regarding the commencement of the meals and any additional instructions."»;Step 4: Regular
Attendance To continue availing the benefits of the scheme, the student must maintain regular attendance at school. The attendance
records will be monitored by the school authorities to ensure the student's active participation in the program."»; Step 5: Meal
DistributionDuring school hours, the designated mid-day meals will be provided to the enrolled students. The meals are usually served in
the school premises, either in the classrooms or a designated dining area, depending on the school's facilities."»; Step 6: Periodic
EvaluationThe school authorities may conduct periodic evaluations to assess the effectiveness and impact of the Mid Day Meals
Scheme. This evaluation may involve collecting feedback from students, parents, and teachers to make necessary improvements to the
program.Documents RequiredBirth certificates or age proof of the studentsAadhaar card or other identification documentsSchool
registration certificateBank account details (if applicable for direct benefit transfer)Frequently Asked QuestionsWho is eligible to receive
meals under the Mid Day Meals Scheme? Children enrolled in government and government-aided primary and upper primary schools are
generally eligible for the scheme. Are the meals provided free of cost? Yes, the meals provided under the scheme are free of cost for
eligible school children. What is the purpose of the Mid Day Meals Scheme? The scheme aims to improve the nutritional status of
children and promote school attendance by providing free and nutritious meals. What type of meals are provided? The meals provided are
hot cooked meals that aim to be nutritionally balanced and meet the dietary requirements of children. How is the quality and hygiene of
the meals ensured? The scheme follows strict quality and hygiene standards. The meals are prepared in hygienic conditions and regular
inspections are conducted to maintain the quality of food. Can parents contribute to the scheme? Parents can contribute by actively
encouraging their children to attend school regularly and by supporting the school authorities in the implementation of the scheme.Is the
Mid Day Meals Scheme available in all states of India? Yes, the scheme is implemented across all states and union territories of
India. Are there any special dietary considerations for children with specific needs? Efforts are made to accommodate the dietary needs of
children with specific requirements, such as vegetarian or medical dietary restrictions, within the framework of the scheme. Sources And
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