NOTIFICATION

Subject :- Guidelines for constitution/re-constitution of F.P. Shop Level Vigilance Committees (FPSLVC) and their functioning --- thereof.

For ensuring transparency and proper functioning of the Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) and accountability of the functionaries in such system, the Government of Tripura, in pursuance of the Article 29 of the National Food Security Act 2013 as well as clause 11 of the TPDS (Control) Order 2015, has decided to constitute/re-constitute F.P. Shop Level Vigilance Committees (FPSLVC) for TPDS in each F.P.Shops (FPS) of the State with immediate effect.

2. The composition of the F.P. Shop Level Vigilance Committees (FPSLVC) shall be as follows:-

(a) Pradhan/Upa-Pradhan of the concerned Gram Panchayet or Chairman/vice Chairman of the concerned Village Committee or Councilor of the concerned Municipal Ward in case of ULBs, as the case may be, or one representative from GP/VC/ULB as would be nominated by the PRIs/ULBs as Chairman of the Committee.
(b) One educationist/Social Worker of the locality, preferably women, if available.
(c) One representative either of ST or SC community.
(e) One member from the religious Minority Community where the F.P.Shop is located in minority area or destitute persons or persons with disability, as available.
(f) Concerned Panchayat Secretary/Village Secretary/Ward Secretary as Member Secretary of the Committee.

The FPSLV committee, not more than 5 (five) members in all including Chairman and Member Secretary, will be constituted by the concerned SDMs (including Agartala Municipal Corporation Area in respect of SDM, SDR) in accordance with this guideline and shall issue necessary Memorandum in this regard. The members of the Committee would be selected in consultation with the Local Panchayat/Village/ Urban Local Bodies.

3. Powers and functions of the F P Shop Level Committee shall be as follows:-

The FPLVCs shall perform the functions as defined under Article 29(2) of the National Food Security Act 2013, which are as follows:

"29. (2) The Vigilance Committees shall perform the following functions, namely:—
(a) regularly supervise the implementation of all schemes under this Act;
(b) inform the District Grievance Redressal Officer, in writing, of any violation of the provisions of this Act; and
(c) inform the District Grievance Redressal Officer, in writing, of any malpractice or misappropriation of funds found by it."
4. (i) The committee would meet at a regular interval, at least one meeting a quarter as prescribed under the TPDS (Control) Order 2015. Proper record of proceedings may be maintained regarding issues discussed in the meeting for onward reporting to the Central Government as per specified format. The number of meetings held by the vigilance committees shall be displayed on the State e-PDS portal and the action taken on issues discussed in meetings of vigilance committees shall be reviewed in the next meeting.

(ii) The copy of the minutes of the meetings should be sent to the concerned SDMs and also to the Block level/AMC level/District Level/District Grievance Redressal Officer (DGRO), as the case may be, for taking further steps where action requires at their level.

(iii) The Committees would carry out other functions as may be assigned to them by the State Government/Director, FCS&CA from time to time.

5. All the existing FPSLVCs shall be re-constituted under the new guideline, if differs from the existing one, and the Committees will function normally for 5(five) years in each term and or as may be decided by the Government.

6. This is circulated for information, guidance and necessary action by all concerned and issued under statutory provisions of National Food Security Act 2013 and in supersession of all earlier Memorandums issued from time to time.

7. This will take immediate effect and until further order.

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To:
1. The Sub-Divisional Magistrate

• All SDMs are requested to arrange sending of hard copies of this Notification, in required numbers, to respective BDOs under their jurisdiction.

2. All Block Development Officers of the state. (Through E-Mail)

3. All D.O. Issuing Authority................................. for information and necessary action.
Copy forwarded to :

1. The DM & Collector, North /Unokuti / Dhalai / Khowai / West Tripura / Sipahijala/Gomati / South Tripura District for information and necessary action. All ADMs in their respective jurisdiction has already been designated by the State Government as District Grievance Redressal Officer (DGRO) under NFSA 2013 for expeditious and effective redressal of grievances of aggrieved persons in matters relating to distribution of foodgrains or meals, as the case may be.

2. The Director, Panchayat / Urban Development Department / Social Welfare & Social Education / School Education.
3. The Commissioner, AMC, Agartala / The CEO, TTAADC, Tripura.
5. Establishment/General/PP/PP(PD)/Civil Supplies/Litigation/Transport & Storage / IT Section of this directorate.

Copy also forwarded to :

1. The Principal Secretary to the Hon’ble Chief Minister, Tripura.
2. The PS to the Hon’ble Minister of FCS&CA / Panchayat / Urban Development Department.
3. The PS to the Hon’ble Mayor, Agartala Municipal Corporation, Agartala.
4. The Chief Secretary, Tripura.
5. The Secretary, FCS&CA, Government of Tripura.
6. The Secretary-In-Charge, Panchayat/Urban Development Department/Rural Development/Social Welfare & Social Education / School Education.
7. The Director, Printing and Stationary Department, Tripura to bring out the Notification in an extra-ordinary issue of Tripura Gazette and arrange to provide 50 (fifty) copies of the same to FCS&CA department.
8. The Director, Information and Cultural Affairs, Tripura with a request to arrange wide publicity of the content of the Notification through local newspapers, Doordarshan Kendra & AIR.

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