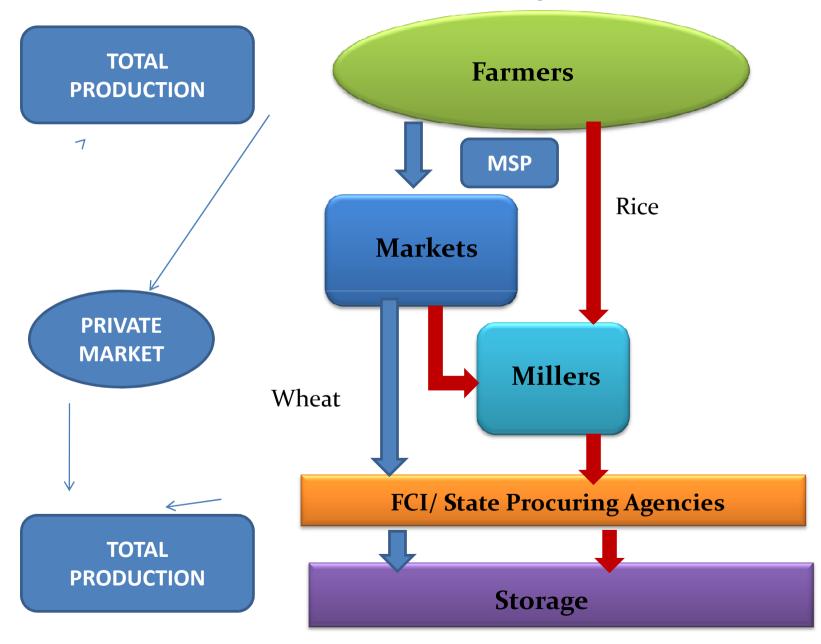




### India A case study of Mid Day Meal Scheme

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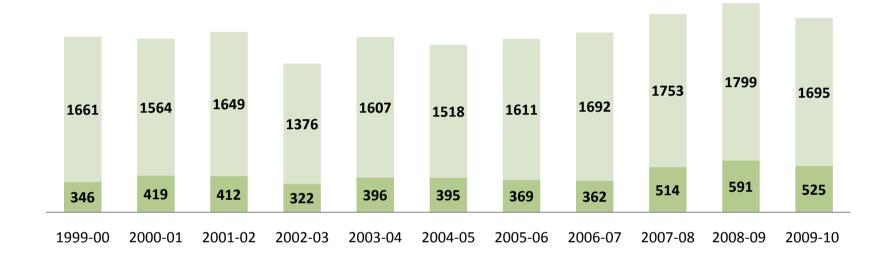
# **Procurement Operations**



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#### Production and Procurement (Wheat & Rice)

procurement Production



procurement as % of production



1999-02 2000-03 2001-04 2002-05 2003-06 2004-07 2005-08 2006-09 2007-10

#### Procurement – Subsidized Distribution

Scheme	Coverage	Dept	FG (Mn T)
1. Public Distribution System	243 million families	DFPD	48.0
2. Mid Day Meal (schools)	113 millions	HRD	3.0
3. Wheat Based Nutrition Programme (ICDS)	48 million (target 130)	WCD	1.5
4. Nutrition Programme for Adolescent Girls		WCD	
5. Annapoorna Scheme (for aged)		RD	2.5
6. Scheme for Welfare institutions		DFPD	
7. Scheme for SC, ST OBC Hostels		DFPD	
8Emergency feeding prog Orissa		DFPD	
TOTAL			55.0

# Economic Cost, CIP and Subsidy under TPDS

	Economic Cost (Rs./Qtl.)	CIP (Rs./Qtl.)	Subsidy (Rs./Qtl.)	% Subsidy
WHEAT				
Category				
AAY	1543.93	200	1343.93	87.05
BPL	1543.93	415	1128.93	73.12
APL	1543.93	610	933.93	60.49
RICE		•		
Category				
AAY	2043.14	300	1743.14	85.32
BPL	2043.14	565	1478.14	72.32
APL	2043.14	830	1213.14	59.38

#### **Proposed National Food Security Act**

•77 % of the population in 2004-05 classified as 'poor & vulnerable' with a per capita consumption expenditure of less than Rs 20 (US\$ 0.5)

•A path breaking legislation aimed at protecting all children, women & men in India from hunger and food deprivation.

•A guarantee to provide adequate nutrition, derived from the 'right to food' as an aspect of 'Right to Life'

### Proposals under NFSA

#### •PDS

- •35 kg/month/family @ 7 kg /person at highly subsidized rates 46% rural & 28% urban
- •20 Kg/month/family @ 4 kg @ 0.5 of MSP 44% in rural and 22% in Urban
- •Maternal & Child support universalization of ICDS covering all children in 0-6 age
- •Children aged 6 months & up to 3 years
- •Children aged **3-6 years** one cooked meal
- •MDM- cover 'out of school' children & during holidays too
- •**Special group** entitlements destitute, migrants, homeless & protection from Starvation

#### **Constitutional Provisions**

The Constitution (86<sup>th</sup> amendment) Act 2002 inserted **Art 21 A** to provide **free and fair education to all children in 6-14 age group**.

The Right of Children to Free & Compulsory Education (RTE) Act 2009 means that every child has a right to full time elementary education of satisfactory and equitable quality in a formal school.

**Right to Food** – proposed National Food Security Act

### & this brings us to MDM scheme

•Mid Day Meal in schools in India – a long history since 1925 (Madras)

•By the mid 1980s , 3 States had universalized a cooked Mid Day Meal Programme with their own resources for Primary schools children

•By 1990-91, 12 States were implementing the mid day meal programme with their own resources

 the National Programme of Nutritional Support to Primary Education (NP-NSPE) was launched as a Centrally Sponsored Scheme on 15th August 1995 and been updated since then (2003 & 2008) to include all school going children in classes I – VIII in Government, Government aided & Local Body Schools and also madarasas, schools covered under Education Guarantee Scheme (EGS) and Alternative & Innovative Education centers (AIE)

# Objectives – NP-NSPE

(i) Improving the **nutritional status** of children in classes I – V ( & class VI-VIII) in Government, Local Body and Government aided schools, and EGS and AIE centres.

(ii) Encouraging poor children, belonging to disadvantaged sections, to **attend school more regularly** and help them concentrate on classroom activities.

(iii) Providing nutritional support to children of primary stage in **drought-affected areas during summer vacation**.

Presently covers 113.6 million children (Class I-VIII) in about a million schools

## **Components of Central Assistance**

- 1. Supply of **food grains** (wheat / rice ) @ 100 grams and 150 grams per child
- 2. Reimburse **actual transportation cost** from food storage point to the School
- 3. Provide **cooking cost** pulses, vegetables, oil etc
- Provide cooked MDM during summer vacation in drought prone areas
- 5. Assistance for construction of **Kitchen-cum- store**
- 6. Kitchen utensils/devices @ US\$ 115
- 7. Management, Monitoring & Evaluation (MME) @ 2% of total assistance

	Calories & proteins (gms)	450 &	12	700 & 20		
	ltoma	Quantity				
	Items	Primary	Cost (Rs)	U.P	Cost (Rs)	
1	Food Grains (wheat /rice)	100	2.08	150	3.10	
2	Pulses	20		30		
3	Vegetables	50	3.84	75	4.40	
4	Oil & Fat	5	3.04	7.5	4.40	
5	Salt & Condiments	As per need		As per need		
			5.92		7.50	
			US\$ 4 pm		US\$ 5.13 pm	

#### Recurring cost at Gol level ......(estimates)

	No. of Children ( April, 11)	Total Cost (US\$)
Class I –V (Primary)	79,688,935	3.08 billions*
Class VI-VIII (Upper P)	33,915,360	1.73 billions **
Total coverage	113,604,295	5.81 billions

\* 250 working days
\*\* 265 working days
US \$ = Rs 44
79688935\*5.92\*250 /44 = 2.68 billions + .4 billion (transportation) = 3.08 billions & likewise for upper primary children

					Activity M	lapping		-	
Broad			State	Local self-governments Panchayati Raj Institutions Urban			SMC/V	SHG, NGO,	
category of function	Specific activity	MHRD	Govern ment	District level	Intermedia te level	Village level	Urban Local Bodies	EC	NYK youth Group, PTA/MTA
	National norms								
	Standards for nutritional content								
	Preparation of State Norms of expenditure								
Policies/ Norms Standards	Formulating hygiene and safety specifications								
	Eligibility of Voluntary agencies								
	Indicative menus								
	Design of kitchen cum store								

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	Formulation of AWP&B								
	Food-grain: Lifting								
	Food-grain: Transportation								
Planning and	Other Consumables: Procurement								
Operations	Other consumables: Transportation								
	Fund Release								
	Menu Planning								
	Cooking, serving and ancillary activities								
	Information, Education and Communication activities								

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Asset	Construction of Kitchen cum store								
Creation	Procurement of kitchen devices								
	Reporting								
Monitoring	Quality of MDM served/ Social Audit at local level.								
and Evaluation	Programme and Impact Parameters (Annexure 12)								
	Studies								

### Who implements

#### **Implementing Agencies :**

- Women Self Help Groups
- ➢ Reputed NGOs
- Charitable Trusts
- School Management Committees

#### **Cook-cum-Helpers**:

➢ Honorarium of Rs.1000/- per month paid to them.

#### NGOs & Charitable Trusts in Andhra Pradesh State

Area of Coverage	Implementing agency	No. of Schools being covered	No. of children being covered	
Hyderabad	Naandi Foundation	1017	179654	
Visakhapatnam (Urban)	Naandi Foundation	147	47496	
visaknapaman (orban)	Akshya Patra Foundation, Bangalore	7	5394	
	ISKCON	40	20000	
East Godavari	Buddavarapu Charitable Trust	120	25000	
Chittoor	ISKCON	377	38610	
	Sri.Kalahasti Devastanam Trust	32	3563	
Kadapa	ISKCON	118	16000	
Anathapur	Sri Narayana Reddy Trust	32	6500	
Medak	Akshaya Patra Foundation, Bangalore	188	32405	
	Total	2119	338852	

### Monitoring

#### **Committees to monitor the MDM Programme**

Level	Committee	Frequency of Meeting
National	<ol> <li>The National level Steering cum Monitoring Committee</li> <li>Program Approval Board (PAB)</li> </ol>	Quarterly
State	The State level Steering cum Monitoring Committee	Quarterly
District	The District level Committee	Monthly
Municipal	The Municipal Committee	Monthly
Block	The Mandal Level Committee	Fortnightly
Village	Panchayat level Sub Committee	Day to day functioning of the implementing of the scheme
School	School Education Committee	Monthly and as when it is required

### **Emerging Issues**

#### Inter-Ministerial coordination-

Ministry of Health & FW, Women & Child Development, Rural Development, Food & Public Distribution

•Strengthening of the Management, Monitoring and Evaluation

Transportation Cost

Construction of Kitchen-cum-stores

•Transparency

•Training .

Grievance Redressal Mechanism

### Advantages & learnings

•Uniformity in norms & standards of feeding

•Assured supply to all the schools

•Government owns it up

• **Sustainable** & it makes sense politically!

•Tradeoff between investing now in future & staggered spending by Individual families of a much higher magnitude in future

# Thank you

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