

Action plan for the NREGA Sahayata Kendra, Manika and district administration,
Latehar

PDS

Steps to be taken by the DC-follow up by the Kendra

1. Follow up on resumption of system of 'door – step – delivery' at the earliest.

Steps to be taken by NSK

1. Form a group of 10 to 15 volunteers per village in order to monitor distribution of ration on the 15th and 25th of every month.
2. Meet DC to discuss the setting up of a help line number and SMS system to alert people on the release of their quota from the godown and the amount and cost per beneficiary household. Real time feedback on amount and cost paid at the time of lifting grain can be received through SMS/IVRS call system or awaazde radio.
3. Talk to District Supply Officer about setting up a group to monitor loading and unloading of grain at block and district warehouses.
4. Create awareness about PDS through posters and public meetings, also through 'awaaz de' radio

NREGA

Steps to be taken by the DC-follow up by the Kendra

1. Work demand drives need to be conducted by the rozgar sewak and PRI officials.
2. A joint enquiry in Vishnubandh, Purni Palheya and Patna needs to be conducted with a month. Detailed village reports and photocopies of jobcards for follow up on fake entries are available with the NSK.
3. A probe regarding NREGA payments through the Matlong post office is to be carried out by the BDO.
4. To sanction more works in every panchayat, irrespective of registered demand for the same. The survey findings indicate huge unmet demand in all villages.
5. Ensure that Rozgar Diwas/panchayat diwas is held regularly every Monday and attended by NREGA panchayat/block officials. A weekly report of number of demand for work application receipts should be submitted by the rozgar sewak to the Programme Officer and entered in the MIS within 3 days i.e. by Friday.

Steps to be taken by NSK

1. The Kendra should use the platform of the Rozgar day to register applications for work as opposed to the current system where workers have to go to the block.
2. The Kendra should develop a monitoring schedule to cover rozgar diwas in all panchayats. Video recording/photographs should be taken to capture the

participation of both workers and officials in the rozgar divas. A monthly report can be sent to the DC.

Pension

Steps to be taken by the DC-follow up by the Kendra

1. To check if the verification of pension lists happens every six months.
2. To check if the block has begun to correct and upload the new lists to the MIS (to eliminate duplicate names)
3. To find out where and when the 8 new pragya kendras will open, follow up with the BDO.
4. Check if pension payments happen in the next 2-3 days, as the DC said they would. The rule of payment by the 7th of every month should be strictly adhered to.
5. A drive to identify pension beneficiaries above the age of 80 needs to be undertaken and Rs 700 must be given to all such beneficiaries.
6. The DC mentioned that eligibility for pension need not be solely based on the voter ID card, since the age is often given wrong. To remedy this she suggested using photographs and medical tests to prove eligibility for pensions. The Kendra should follow up and figure out whether this is happening.

Steps to be taken by NSK

1. Check if the lists of existing and new pensioners has been put up at all government buildings, ask the CO for a schedule for the same.
2. Organise camps for registration of new pensioners at the village and panchayat level.
3. The team will provide a list of eligible pensioners not receiving pension and the Kendra can randomly select people and check if they are now receiving pension
4. To check if the pensioners above the age of 80 are receiving their Rs 700
5. Get a list of the state pension schemes from the block
6. Pension verification lists filled by the survey team should be shared with the block as a sample check for a) inclusion of new names in the pension list and b) pension beneficiaries above the age of 80 - so that they give above Rs 700

ICDS and MDM

The DC gave a list of new measures to be implemented for AWCs and MDM in the district,

ICDS

1. Start kitchen gardens in AWCs and grow seasonal vegetables.
2. Toys for AWC have been arranged by the state, should arrive soon.
3. Model AWCs are being set up in Latehar with a focus on infrastructure.
4. Trying to start health services for pregnant women. Some of the services mentioned were: check-ups, blood tests and blood pressure checks.

MDM

1. Start kitchen gardens in government schools and grow seasonal vegetables.
2. New menu includes:
 - Monday – banana
 - Wednesday – egg
 - Friday – soya bean

If egg cannot be served then a fruit must be served.

3. In order to solve problems related to the quantity of the food served the DC proposed to start a 'bal sansad' wherein two children will be present while the food is being measured.

The Kendra can randomly check if these measures are being implemented.