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Government of India  
 Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution  
 Department of Food & Public Distribution

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R. No. 275, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi – 110001

Dated:29/10/2020

To

**Pr. Secretary / Secretary,  
 Food & Civil Supplies Department,  
Government/Administration of – Chandigarh and Puducherry.**

Subject: Implementation of national / inter-State portability of NFSA ration card holders under 'One Nation One Ration Card' plan - reg.

Sir/Madam,

As you are aware this Department is implementing nation-wide portability of the benefits under NFSA through "One Nation One Ration Card" plan, which aims to provide an option to all NFSA beneficiaries, if desire, to lift their entitled foodgrains under NFSA from any ePoS enabled Fair Price Shop (FPS) of their choice anywhere in the country, by using their existing/same ration card with Aadhaar authentication on ePoS device. This facility is already enabled seamlessly across 28 States/UT, namely - Andhra Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Bihar, Dadra and N. Haveli and Daman and Diu, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Gujarat, Goa, Jammu and Kashmir, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Kerala, Ladakh, Lakshadweep, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Manipur, Mizoram, Nagaland, Odisha, Punjab, Rajasthan, Sikkim, Tamilnadu, Telangana, Tripura, Uttarakhand and Uttar Pradesh.

2. In this endeavor, necessary preparatory activities to integrate your UT with the national cluster i.e. development of registration portal for migrants, integration with central IM-PDS, availability of ration cards/beneficiaries data in Central Repository, requisite testing of national portability transactions, processing of payment files to migrants, deducting/blocking equivalent entitlement of migrants in their home State, etc. have already been completed with the support of central NIC team. The integration of both UTs with ONORC cluster will enable the migrant NFSA beneficiaries of other States/UTs to receive equivalent Cash Subsidy (in place of foodgrains) directly into their bank accounts as per DBT - Cash Transfer of Food Subsidy Rules 2015, in the same manner as it is being done for the NFSA beneficiaries of both UTs.

3. Further, it is highlighted that central NIC and CPMU team of this Department have also completed the orientation trainings of the technical team and concerned officers of your State/UT through Video Conferencing and necessary implementation guidelines/instructions are already shared. Therefore, it is envisaged, to enable the national portability transactions under 'One Nation One Ration Card' plan in your State w.e.f distribution month of November 2020.

4. Requisite web-services for reporting of portability transaction details to central dashboard have been enabled for your State/UT with immediate effect and

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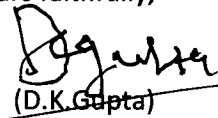
continuously assistance is available from the central NIC team for seamless rollout 'One Nation One Ration Card' plan.

5. Now, it is requested, that in view of the local situation, State/UT may take a decision to operationalize/commence the national portability transactions by 1st November, 2020. Efforts may also be made towards wide-publicity and awareness generation among NFSA beneficiaries, field level officers/staff, etc. on priority.

6. In this regard, for any technical support/clarification, the nodal officers/technical teams may reach out to following officials:

- a. Sh. BVC Rao, Dy. Director General, NIC (HQ) at [bvcrao@nic.in](mailto:bvcrao@nic.in) /9958402296 w.r.t. central repository, national de-duplication and related matters.
- b. Sh. Guru Prasad, Sr. Technical Direct, NIC HQ at [guru@nic.in](mailto:guru@nic.in) /9490751034 w.r.t. ePoS application and related matters.
- c. Sh. Pankaj Mishra, Pr.Consultant, CPMU at [cpmu.fpd@nic.in](mailto:cpmu.fpd@nic.in) /9971152087 w.r.t. guidelines, procedural matters or any other assistance/clarification from the Dept.

Yours faithfully,



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Copy to:

Pr. Secretary/Secretary, Food & Civil Supplies Department of existing 28 States/UT under One Nation One Ration Card (as mentioned in para-1 above) for taking necessary action and enabling national portability transaction with newly integrated States/UT on priority.

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1. PPS to Secretary DFPD, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
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3. PPS to Chairman & MD, FCI, New Delhi
4. PS to Economic Advisor, DFPD, New Delhi
5. Sh. BVC Rao, Dy. Director General, NIC HQ, CGO Complex, New Delhi - requesting to 'share guidelines with SIOs of concerned State NIC Units for timely implementation
6. Sh. Guru Prasad, Sr. Technical Director, NIC, Hyderabad
7. Dy. Secretary (BP), DFPD, New Delhi.