



Ministry of Women and Child Development allocating wheat, fortified rice and millets under Wheat Based Nutrition Programme and Scheme for Adolescent Girls at subsidised rates

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Ministry of Women and Child Development is allocating foodgrains i.e. wheat, fortified rice and millets under Wheat Based Nutrition Programme (WBNP) and Scheme for Adolescent Girls (SAG) at subsidised rates through the Department of Food and Public Distribution for preparation of Hot Cooked Meal (HCM) and Take Home Ration (THR) at the Anganwadi Centre. During the current financial year, millets has been allocated under WBNP to the States /UTs of Andaman and Nicobar Island, Assam, Chandigarh, Chhattisgarh, Dadar and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu, Delhi, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Lakshadweep, Manipur, Meghalaya, Sikkim and Uttarakhand and under SAG to Assam, Chhattisgarh, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Manipur, Meghalaya and Telangana.

Government of Maharashtra is providing millet-based recipes in the form of THR to the beneficiaries aged 6 months to 3 years, Pregnant and Lactating Mothers, and Adolescent Girls residing in Aspirational Districts. However, the choice of specific ingredients to be used in those local recipes for THR and HCM is purely with the respective State Governments / local officials and depends on local tastes/palate and locally grown/ available wholesome fruits and vegetables.

This information was given by the Minister of State for Women and Child Development Smt. Savitri Thakur in Rajya Sabha in reply to a question today

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