

F.No. PA/147/2020-CPMU (part1)
भारत सरकार
Government of India
महिला एवं बाल विकास मंत्रालय
Ministry of Women and Child Development

3rd Floor, Jeevan Vihar Building,
Sansad Marg, New Delhi
Dated: 30.05.2025

To,

Addl Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary/Secretary of the Department of WCD/Social Welfare of all States/UTs

Subject: Mandatory THR delivery through FRS, monitoring the attendance of Children attending AWC and FRS at the time of registration -reg.

Sir/Madam,

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Ministry's D.O. letter of even number dated 12th November, 2024 and 5th March 2025 regarding implementation of face authentication module in Poshan Tracker across the country (copy enclosed) and to inform that Face Authentication feature which was available at the time of THR distribution will be available in the profile of beneficiary from 30.05.2025. Further, it is also informed that on-boarding for FRS (photo capturing & e-KYC) can also be done by beneficiary herself/himself through Poshan Trcaker beneficiary/citizen module.

2. The concerned officer(s) and field functionaries may be directed to complete the face authentication of all the registered beneficiaries through the profile in Poshan Tracker application or through Poshan Trcaker beneficiary/citizen module. Beneficiaries may be encouraged to update the photo/mobile number in Aadhaar for completing the e-KYC seamlessly.

3. It is informed that to monitor the attendance of children (3-6 years) attending AWCs and their Hot cooked meals, the **feature of marking their attendance and taking of hot cooked meals will be made compulsory from 01.07.2025.**

4. Further, to ensure last mile delivery of THR to intended beneficiaries, it has been decided that **FRS will be made mandatory for THR distribution with effect from 01.07.2025**

5. Going forward, it has been decided to **introduce FRS at the time of registration of beneficiaries from 01.08.2025.** In this regard following is informed-

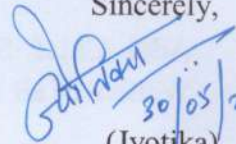
- PW/LM/AG precondition for registration will be self Aadhaar using eKYC and face recognition feature.
- Children 0 to 6 years registration precondition will be Aadhaar of Mother/Father/Guardian along with Face recognition. Self-Aadhar for a child is not considered at the time of registration.

- In addition to adult FRS, a child's picture with liveliness detection will also be captured for the age group of 3 to 6 years (to leverage these images during service delivery for children).
- Existing children 0 to 3 years, while entering the 3 to 6 years of category will be asked to update their pictures with liveliness detection.

6. This issues with the approval of competent authority.

Encl- as above

Sincerely,


30/05/2025
(Jyotika)

Deputy Secretary, MWCD

Copy to

1. CEO, NeGD with directions to make necessary modifications/updation in Poshan Tracker application.

Copy for information to:

1. PS to Hon'ble Minister, M/o WCD, Government of India.
2. PS to Hon'ble Minister of State, M/o WCD, Government of India.
3. PSO to Secretary, M/o WCD, Government of India.
4. PPS to AS (GB), M/o WCD, Government of India.
5. PPS to Joint Secretary (Poshan), M/o WCD, Government of India.

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3rd Floor, Jeevan Vihar Building,
Sansad Marg, New Delhi – 110 001

Dated: 05th March, 2025

To,

Addl. Chief Secretaries/Principal Secretaries/Secretaries of the Department of
WCD/Social Welfare of all States/UTs

**Subject: Two way authentication system (Facial Recognition System and OTP) in
Poshan Tracker for THR delivery - regarding.**

Sir/Madam,

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Ministry's letter of even number dated
12th November, 2024 from Secretary (MWCD) addressed to the Chief Secretaries/
Administrators of all States/UTs regarding implementation of face authentication module in
Poshan Tracker across the country (**copy enclosed**).

2. In this connection, it is noticed that many of the projects in the States/UTs have still
not even started the implementation of the Facial Recognition System (FRS) for THR delivery.
(List of projects with zero face authentications is **enclosed**).

3. It is therefore requested to kindly instruct the officers and field functionaries concerned
in these projects for on-boarding the registered beneficiaries in a campaign mode and to
ensure 100% on-boarding of registered beneficiaries in all the projects by 25th March, 2025.
This is also to bring to your notice that the Ministry is considering revision in cost norms as
announced in the Budget Speech of the Hon'ble Finance Minister on 1st February, 2025 and
benefit of the same will be linked to the actual implementation of FRS by States/UTs.

This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

Encl: as above.

Yours sincerely,


(Arkaja Das)

Director to the Government of India

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2. Sr. PPS to Secretary, MWCD, Government of India
3. PPS to Additional Secretary (AWS), MWCD, Government of India
4. PS to Joint Secretary (Poshan), MWCD, Government of India

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12th November, 2024

D.O. No.PA/147/2020-CPMU-Part(1)

Dear Chief Secretary/Administrator,

As you are aware, under Mission Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0, supplementary nutrition is being provided in the form of Hot Cooked Meal (HCM) as well as Take Home Ration (THR) to pregnant women, lactating mothers, adolescent girls and children (6 months - 6 years) to address the issue of malnutrition.

2. Ministry has now developed a two-factor authentication system using face verification and OTP in the Poshan Tracker to ensure last mile actual delivery of Take Home Ration (THR) to the beneficiaries. Currently Pilot implementation is underway in 10 States/UTs and rollout is scheduled across the country by December, 2024 and January, 2025 (rollout plan is **enclosed**).

- a. This involves capturing of photos of the beneficiaries during registration process, their authentication/eKYC from Aadhaar database which is then followed by matching of the photo captured during THR distribution.
- b. Beneficiaries will receive a unique OTP on their registered mobile numbers at the time of THR distribution which is to be provided to the Anganwadi worker to complete the THR delivery process.

3. This two factor authentication system in the Poshan Tracker App will empower the beneficiaries of Anganawadi Services and instill a sense of ownership among the community, especially women. It will also mitigate the risks of diversion of rations.

4. I request you to kindly support effective implementation of this authentication system to ensure transparency in the last mile delivery of rations. I also request you to kindly pass appropriate instructions to the authorities concerned.

With regards,

Encl: As above.

Yours sincerely,


(Anil Malik)

Chief Secretaries/Administrators of the States/UTs

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