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DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
KRISHI BHAWAN, NEW DELHI-110001

D.O. No. 23/05/2013-Comp

Dated the: January 09, 2015

Dear

Sub: Digital Saksharta Abhiyan.

As you are aware, for streamlining and strengthening of Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS), the Department of Food & Public Distribution has taken up a scheme on computerization of TPDS operations to be implemented in all States/UTs. One Component of the scheme provides for automation of Fair Price Shops (FPSs) for authentication of beneficiaries, recording of foodgrains sale to the beneficiaries at FPS and uploading of transaction data in designated server through the Point of Sale (PoS) Device/Mobile terminal. It will be possible to implement the scheme successfully if the FPS dealers have the requisite expertise to use the PoS Device/Mobile Terminal.

2. You will be glad to know that the Department of Electronic & IT has approved a scheme titled Digital Saksharta Abhiyan (दिशा) - a National Digital literacy Mission, for implementation of which the nodal agency is CSC e-Gov Services India Ltd, a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV), setup by Government of India. Under the scheme, **training of all authorized ration dealers across the country may be taken up**. This will help the ration dealers to become digitally literate and use the PoS device/terminal and generate requisite reports etc. with ease. All expenses on the proposed training of FPS dealers will be borne by DeitY from Digital Saksharta Abhiyan (दिशा).

3. I would like to emphasise that all States/UTs should utilize this opportunity and get in touch with CEO, CSC-SPV, who is working out detailed modalities of training with respective State Governments. A copy of D.O. letter no. L-14015/38/2014-HRD dated 22.12.2014 received from Secretary, DeitY is enclosed for your information and further action. You can contact CEO, CSC-SPV at dinesh.tyagi@cscegovindia.com.

With regards,

Encl: As above

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Yours Sincerely,


(Deepak Kumar)

Principal Secretary/ Secretary,
Department of Food & Civil Supplies,
Government of all States/UTs