F. No. T-14014/2/2010-VBD
Government of India
Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
Department of Health and Family Welfare

Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 21st March, 2011

To,

The Health Secretaries
(All States/UTs)

Subject:- Decentralization of procurement of diagnostic kits and drugs including DEC & Albendazole under NVBDCP-reg.

Sirs,

I am directed to refer to this Ministry’s letter of even no. dated 08.10.2010 vide which pattern of assistance and guidelines for implementation of National Vector Borne Disease Control Programme were issued to the States/UTs. In order to streamline the procurements and to improve availability of diagnostic kits and drugs for prevention and control of vector-borne diseases, the following decisions have further been taken by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India:

I. Project states are allowed to procure 25% of technically approved quantity of ACTs and RDT for project areas through NRHM flexi fund to create buffer stock. NVBDCP shall procure and supply required annual quantity of these items as usual.

II. Non project States / Districts are also allowed to procure total technically approved quantity of ACTs & RDTs by themselves.

III. States may procure technically approved quantity of DEC & Albendazole by themselves.

IV. States may also procure their requirement of Dengue NS1 antigen kit.

Funds for procurement of items mentioned above shall be provisioned in the approved PIPs under NRHM.

Yours faithfully,

(Ravindra Pattar)
Director

Copy forwarded for information and necessary action:-
1. Chief Secretaries of all States/Union Territories.
2. The Secretaries (Finance) of all States/UT Govts.
3. Mission Director, NRHM, of all States/Union Territories.
4. Directors of Health Services of all States/Union Territories.
5. State Programme Officers (Malaria/VBDs) of all States/Union Territories.
6. The Pay and Accounts Officer (Health), Ministry of Health & F.W., New Delhi.
7. The Director, Dte. of NVBDCP, 22-Shamnath Marg, Delhi-54.
8. PPS to Secretary(H&FW)/ PS to SS&MD(NRHM)/PS to SS&FA/PS to JS(PH)
10. Finance Division, MOH&FW, GOI, New Delhi.