Action Plan for renaming of VHSC to VHSNC with its additional roles and responsibilities.

In addition to the already existing roles and responsibilities of VHSC, the Ministry has given a new set of roles and responsibilities under the newly renamed VHSNC. In order to incorporate the additional roles and responsibilities under VHSNC, a tentative plan for the State of Manipur is formulated as below.

1. District to issue notice along with the guidelines to all their respective blocks.
2. To include a special module on food nutrition values in the 4th round of ASHA training (6 & 7 Modules) to be held this year.
3. ASHA facilitators to ensure that equal focus is given towards Nutrition on all VHNDs along with routine activities.
4. To have a special VHND for every three months focussed exclusively on Nutrition and spreading awareness about nutrition. Nutritional values of locally available seasonal food items and best practices may be discussed. In this regard, SPMU will tie up with Manipur University (a Central University) and develop nutritional profiles of 15-20 locally available food items. After developing such profiles, nutritional charts can be developed (in co-ordination with BCC/IEC dept.) to be passed on to the ASHAs. ASHAs will in turn educate and spread awareness to the masses with the help of these charts.
5. Committees to conduct survey on nutritional status and nutritional deficiencies in villages especially among women and children. Reports for such survey to be submitted to ASHA facilitators. Fund for such surveys are to be utilized from the untied funds sanctioned to these committees.
6. To include Nutritional needs in the Village Health Plan.
7. ASHA facilitators to conduct monthly monitoring visits on all Village Health and Nutrition Days and submit report to the BPMU.
8. Committees to **Supervise and facilitate** the functioning of Anganwadi Centres in improving nutritional status of women and children. In this regard, SPMU will co-ordinate with the Social Welfare department so that co-ordination will be smooth at all levels.

9. To co-ordinate with **BCC/IEC programs** at State level in order to spread more awareness in the State.

10. The committees to act as a grievances redressal forum on health and nutrition issues.
OFFICE OF THE
STATE HEALTH SOCIETY: MANIPUR

No.130/02/NRHM-09

Imphal, 4th May, 2012

To,

CMO/District Mission Director
District Health Mission Society

Subject: Expanding the role of VHSC and renaming the same to VHSNC

Sir/Madam,

With reference to Ministry’s order No.Z.18015/8/2011-NRHM-II dated 25th July 2011 (Copy enclosed), it is required to expand the role of the existing Village Health and Sanitation Committee (VHSC) and rename the same to Village Health, Sanitation and Nutrition Committee (VHSNC). The additional roles and activities are well described in the Order issued by the Ministry.

Henceforth, VHSC will be referred by the name of VHSNC with its expanded role and activities. Thus in this regard, it is requested to kindly do the needful in incorporating this change.

Yours faithfully,

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State Health Society, Manipur

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