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Dear Sir/Madam,

Home based care for young child (HBYC) is focused programme being implemented in the States/UTs to ensure "Survive and Thrive" strategy of young child. One of the objective of HBYC programme is to ensure Early Childhood Development (ECD) through structured home visits by ASHAs empowering/counselling of families/ caregivers for identifications of early signs of developmental delays so that the timely care can be provided to young child. ASHAs are being trained on ECD session under HBYC training programme and have provision for early childhood development screening kit (HBYC-ECD kit). It is expected to equip all HBYC trained ASHAs with the HBYC –ECD kit as the earliest to ensure the quality implementation of HBYC programme. The technical specification and illustrative costing of early childhood development screening kit i.e HBYC-ECD kit is enclosed.

Thus, States/UTs are requested to make budgetary provision for procurement of HBYC-ECD kits (FMR head 6.2.6.6) in the annual Program Implementation Plan (PIP) for the F.Y. 2021-22.

Best Regards,

Yours Sincerely

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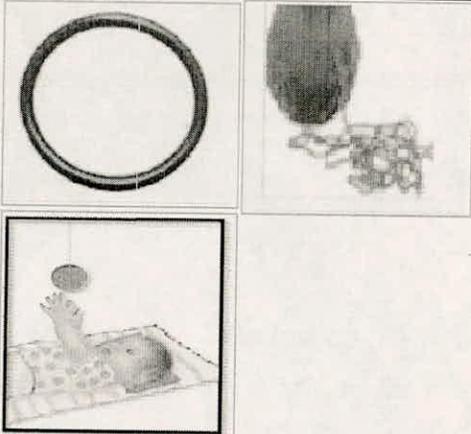
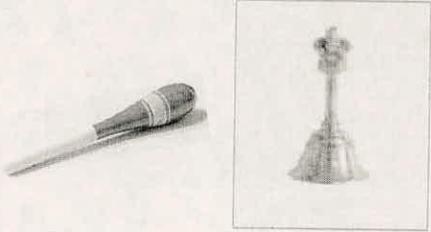
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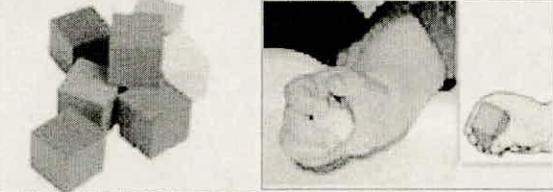
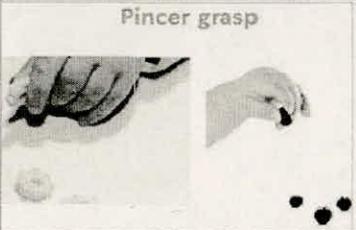
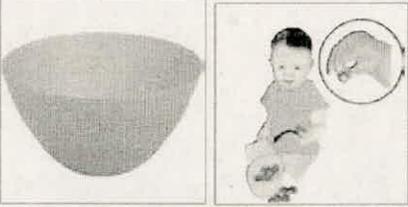
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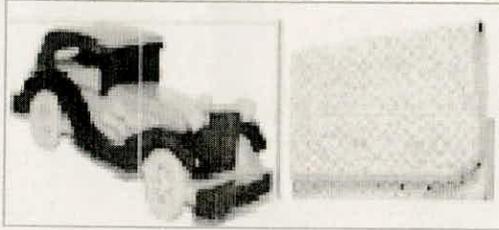
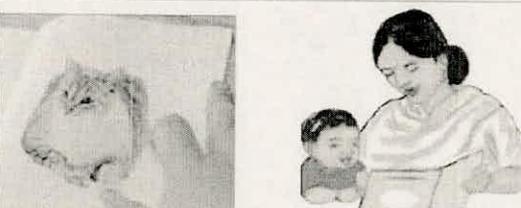


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Technical specification and illustrative costing of Early Childhood Development Screening kit for HBYC visits by ASHA

	Name of Item	Specifications	Purpose and Uses	Overall Tentative Cost	Illustration
1	Red Bangle attached with string	<p>Size -Diameter 2-3" and 6mm wide.</p> <p>Material - Wood with vegetable dye- non toxic color.</p>	<p>Red ring (bangle) tied with a string of thread is dangled at a distance of 30cm from the level of the eyes of the baby to-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Test the visual fixation or eye contact and may also assess squint at 2 months of age. - Track eye movement by 4 months of age - Test Hand- eye coordination 	Rs. 40	
2	Rattle Or Hand-Bell (Simple household bell)	<p>Size - 5-7-inch size</p> <p>Material for Rattle- – Wood with vegetable dye- non toxic color.</p> <p>Material for Bell – Brass</p>	<p>To be used to test response to source of sound in young infant (Observe behavioral responses of hearing as the head turns towards the sound of bell/rattle).</p> <p>Rattle or Bell to be held at a distance of at least 30cm away from ear and out of sight of baby to note the response of child when sound is produced by rattle or bell.</p>	Rs. 50for Bell Or Rs. 150 for rattle	
3	Small Torch	Small Torch preferably with a yellow lamp/ligt of appropriate size operable with 2 AA battery (Eg- pen torch) for eye/ear/mouth examination.	Torch to be used to see the eyes, ears and mouth. During examination, ASHAs can see squint at 2 months which is persistent or no eye contact.	Rs.50-75	

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4	Small Mirror with plastic cover	Size -6-7 inch Material - Mirror with unbreakable transparent cover made of poly carbonate/vinyl/ plexiglass.	To see if the child looks at her own reflection in the mirror by age of 4-6 months.	Rs. 50	
5	Different Color Cubes (6 pieces)	Size- 1 inch Material - Wood with vegetable dye- non toxic color.	To assess if the child grasps an object - toy by using all fingers by 7-9 months.	Rs. 300-340	
6	Raisins or Ksihmish	Raisins or Ksihmish	To assess if the child can pick up small objects - raisins using thumb and index finger (pincer grip) at the age of 9- 12 months.	NA	
7	Bowl with few pebbles	Size - 4 inches diameter Material- Non-toxic plastic bowl with few pebbles	To see if the child can pick pebbles and put them in the bowl by 18 months of the age	Rs.40	
8	Crayons packet with writing pad/ note book	Size -Writing pad/ note book not smaller than A5 Material - Crayons made of good quality wax in different shades (preferably 12 shades) Precaution hazard- choking non toxic and	To see if child can scribble on a piece of paper using these crayons between 18-24 months.	Rs. 50	

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		NOT in small pieces			
9	Colorful Toy like car or red ball with a small cloth or bowl to the cover toys	Material – Preferably made of wood with vegetable dye / non toxic color Precaution choking hazard - non toxic and NOT in small pieces	To assess if the child is able to locate half hidden toys by 7-12 months.	Rs.100 -	
10	Pull Toy with a string	Material – Preferably made of wood (with vegetable dye / non toxic color) with attached string	To see whether child is able to walk steadily while pulling toy by age of 2 years.	Rs.100	 Walk steadily while pulling object
11	One Doll	Material - Made of non-toxic plastic and good quality cloth	Used to test pretend play among children by 2 -3 years	Rs.100	 Baboo, let's read the book
12	Small Picture Book with lamination - 1 picture per page	Small hardboard picture book with lamination. NOT line drawing or cartoon characters	To see if child is able to identify and name common objects in the picture book by 18 months of age.	Rs.50	
	Total Cost*			Rs. 1000	

*Cost of bag has not been included in the total kit cost as bags are procured and provided to ASHAs separately by states.

** All items in the table would be easily available at local shops/ market.