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Department of Consumer Affairs
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Dear Chief Secretary,

In pursuance to the pro-poor announcement aimed at relieving the distress of migrant workers, as part of the Economic Response to COVID -19, Chana whole is proposed to be distributed free of cost to the migrant workers who are not covered under NFSA or are without a ration card in the State/UT in which they are stranded at present. The total number of migrant workers is estimated as 10% of the total beneficiaries under the National Food Security Act, 2013 (NFSA). The Chana whole would be provided to the beneficiary House Hold (HH) @ 1 kg per household per month, free of cost for the next two months. NAFED has been designated as the Central Nodal Agency for this programme.

2. Chana whole will be delivered to your State at one designated place in the State, either the capital or any other designated single point in the State. The expenditure to be incurred on intra-State transportation of the Chana whole from the identified point of delivery will be borne by the Government of India, for which the State Government would raise the bill to this department through the NAFED for reimbursement of the transportation charges. The SOP for quality and sample test, as issued on 18 April 2020 for distribution of pulses, shall continue to be followed.

3. The quantity of Chana whole for distribution in the State has been estimated @ 10% of the number of House Holds of the State covered in the NFSA, as per the figures intimated by the Department of Food and Public Distribution of this Ministry. Detailed guidelines for ensuring proper and prompt distribution of the Chana whole after its receipt from NAFED, are to be framed by the State Government on priority basis.

4. I request you to kindly designate a senior officer as Nodal officer for this programme so that it can be implemented expeditiously and thus provide timely relief to the migrant labour who are the intended beneficiaries.

Regards,

Yours sincerely

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1. All CS of States/UTs with Legislature
2. Administrators of UTs

