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KZN NSNP CIRCULAR NO.54 OF 2022

SUBJECT: BUDGET DISTRIBUTION OF THE NATIONAL SCHOOL NUTRITION PROGRAMME (NSNP) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2022/23

1. The National School Nutrition Programme (NSNP) aims to enhance learning capacity and improve access to education by providing nutritious meals to needy learners in targeted public ordinary schools and identified special schools.
2. This circular aims to inform all NSNP relevant stakeholders of the new budget distribution of the National School Nutrition Programme for the 2022/23 financial year for primary, secondary and Special schools.
3. The KwaZulu-Natal National School Nutrition Programme is experiencing such budget constraints that even the feeding allocation is not enough for the 2022/2023 financial year.
4. Due to financial constraints, please note that the cooking gas/wood allocation remains unchanged in 2022/23 as follows:

WOOD/GAS – SLIDING SCALE	
1.Wood/Gas 1- 200 learners Q 1- 5	R700
2.Wood/Gas 201 - 500 learners Q 1 - 5	R900
3.Wood/Gas 501 - 1500 learners Q 1 - 5	R1300
4. Wood/Gas 1501 and above Q 1 - 5	R1900

5. Whilst the budget remains very tight, the astronomical prize increase for the food items marketed for the National School Nutrition Programme has necessitated rate increases and as such, for 2022/23 the rates have been increased as per the following table:

SCHOOL LEVEL	RATE PER LEARNER
1. Primary & Combined Schools	R 3.08 per learner per day
2. Special (LSEN) Schools	R 3.08 per learner per day
3. Secondary Schools	R 3.68 per learner per day



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- 6. To ensure equitable distribution of the Volunteer Food Handlers in all participating schools, a sliding scale is used which takes into consideration the approved enrolment. It is important to mention that for purposes of resourcing schools with Volunteer Food Handlers, the approved enrolment is used. Here below is the sliding scale for resourcing school participating in the NSNP.

VOLUNTEER FOODHANDLER'S SLIDING SCALE	STIPEND	UIF
1	R 1 640.00	R 32,80
2	R 3 280.00	R 65,60
3	R 4 920.00	R 98,40
4	R 6 560.00	R 131,20
5	R 8 200.00	R 164,00
6	R 9 840.00	R 196,80
7	R 11 480.00	R 229,60
8	R13 120.00 and above	R 262,40

This means each Volunteer Food Handler is paid a net of R1 640.00 with Unemployment Insurance Fund of R16,40 paid by the Department and another portion of R16,40 paid by the Volunteer Food Handler. **As such, the gross stipend for each VFH is R1 672,80.**

- 7. The total number of Volunteer Food Handlers to be paid disaggregated per district is as per the table below:

DISTRICT	No. of Schools	Approved Enrolment	No. of Food Handlers
AMAJUBA	220	128167	737
HARRY GWALA	417	137700	892
ILEMBE	406	167066	1029
KING CETSHWAYO	634	264362	1613
PINETOWN	428	299073	1673
UGU	433	184087	1131
UMGUNGUNDLOVU	456	197199	1205
UMKHANYAKUDE	538	236354	1435
UMLAZI	273	204870	1126
UMZINYATHI	485	173660	1099
UTHUKELA	427	193489	1181
ZULULAND	729	257791	1652
TOTALS	5446	2443818	14773

Please note:

- The Volunteer Foodhandler's stipend and wood/gas allocation are not applicable to Special schools.

Kindly bring the contents of this circular to all concerned.

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