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KZN NSNP CIRCULAR NO.: 01 OF 2025

SUBJECT: NATIONAL SCHOOL NUTRITION PROGRAMME (NSNP) - DELIVERY OF FOOD ITEMS TO SCHOOLS PARTICIPATING IN NSNP IN PREPARATION FOR THE REOPENING OF SCHOOLS ON 15 JANUARY 2025.

1. The National School Nutrition Programme (NSNP) is mandated to provide nutritious meals to needy learners in targeted public schools to contribute to the improvement of education quality and general health.
2. The schools will be re-opening for a new academic year on Wednesday, 15 January 2025, and as such it is expected that all learners should be provided with nutritious meals effective from the first day of schooling.
3. In light of the above and in preparation for the feeding of learners, the principals of all schools participating in NSNP, MUST ensure that service providers contracted to supply their schools, deliver food items including cooking gas/firewood with effect from Monday, 13 January 2025 and/or before Wednesday, 15 January 2025 to ensure that learners are provided with food by 10:00am in compliance with the prescribed feeding time as stipulated in the Conditional Grant Framework.
4. To this end, service providers in NSNP MUST strictly adhere to the Service Level Agreement in terms of supplying sufficient quantities and compliant products as prescribed in the NSNP menu.
5. In the spirit of ensuring efficient and effective implementation of the programme as well as in mitigation of non-delivery of food items to schools which may result in non-feeding, services of interim service providers are forthwith extended for the month of January 2025 whilst the supply chain processes are finalized.
6. As a standard practice and in line with the NSNP policy, non-perishable food items for the month of January 2025 should be delivered at once on the first day of delivery while perishable food items namely vegetables and fruits including Amasi must be strictly delivered on a weekly basis.
7. In terms of this circular, it is expected that all currently contracted NSNP Volunteer Food Handlers (VFHs) and Chief Food Handlers (CFHs) where applicable, MUST report on duty on Monday morning, 13 January 2025 to prepare for the first day of feeding including but not limited to ensuring that all the necessary equipment and utensils are available and that thorough cleaning of food preparation areas is also done as part of NSNP hygiene practices for the effective delivery of the programme.



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8. On the same token, contracted service providers are also drawn to KZN NSNP Circular No. 83 of 2024 on definitive dates for the submission of claims/invoices in order for the Department to comply with the PFMA in the payment of service providers on time.
9. As such, all outstanding claims/invoices for the month of December 2024 **MUST** be submitted to respective district offices not later than Friday 10 January 2025 to ensure that the invoices are captured and authorised in preparation for the run scheduled for the week starting Monday, 13 January 2024 and ending Friday, 17 January 2024.
10. The contents of this circular **MUST** be brought to the attention of all relevant stakeholders concerned.

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