## Government of Tripura Directorate of Information & Cultural Affairs

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## Rejoinder of published news in Ajker Fariyad titled on 23/09/2024 titled 'মিড-ডে-মিল: বরাদ্দ বন্ধ থাকায় বিপাকে স্কুল'

The news article published in the edition of "Ajker Fariyad" on 23.09.2024 under the above mentioned title has come to the attention of the School Education Department. Upon careful review, we wish to provide clarification on the issues mentioned in the article:

- The material cost under PM POSHAN Scheme has been provided up to July, 2024 and like every year, the material cost for the month of August & September 2024 will be provided very soon and the matter is under process.
- The news article has alleged that refilling cost of cylinders have not been provided from February, 2024 which is not a fact. The recurring refilling costs of the cylinders used for cooking Mid-Day-Meal in schools have been sanctioned up to September, 2024.

The Department of School Education remains committed in implementing PM POSHAN (School Mid-Day-Meal) Scheme and we are confident that our continued efforts will lead to successful implementation of this flagship programme of Government of India.

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