

विश्वजीत कुमार सिंह, भा.व.से.  
आयुक्त  
**Bishwajit Kumar Singh, IFS**  
Commissioner



**नवोदय विद्यालय समिति**  
**Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti**  
मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्रालय  
**Ministry of Human Resource Development**  
(स्कूल शिक्षा और साक्षरता विभाग)  
(Deptt. of School Education & Literacy)  
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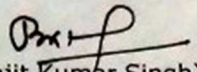
Dear Sir/Madam,

Navodaya Vidyalayas are residential in nature and in such Vidyalayas proper messing arrangements play an important role. Properly managed mess creates an excellent environment conducive to all round development of the children. The physical, mental, academic and social development of the children take place during the seven years they spend in a JNV. It is of utmost importance to provide hygienic and nutritious diet to growing children in the Vidyalayas. For effective Mess Management, each JNV has a Vidyalaya level Mess Committee and District level Mess Committee.

Time and again instructions have been issued by the Samiti to ensure proper cleanliness, hygiene and sanitation in the Mess and Dining Hall. In spite of repeated instructions, Samiti is receiving several complaints mentioning that students are being provided sub-standard food, maintenance of Mess and Dining Hall is in pathetic condition, no efforts are made by the Vidyalaya authorities to maintain cleanliness, hygiene and proper decorum in the Dining Hall and adequate care is not taken to teach the children, etiquettes of eating, discipline and decorum in the dining hall.

In continuation of existing guidelines and to have more transparency and accountability, students of classes X, XI and XII shall be involved on rotation basis in the management of mess like receipt and issue of materials (both quality and quantity), supervision of hygienic condition, following etiquettes of dinner etc. For this purpose one student of classes X, XI and XII shall be designated as MESS DUTY STUDENT (MDS) to look after the mess on that particular day on rotation basis. In no case same student shall be repeated within the same month. This shall be strictly adhered to.

With regards

  
(Bishwajit Kumar Singh)  
COMMISSIONER

Copy to:-

- 1) All Principals of JNVs for strict compliance.
- 2) District Magistrate/Chairman VMC...with a request to arrange for periodical inspection of mess and guide the Vidyalaya.
- 3) Asst Commissioner/Cluster in charges of all regions-with direction to monitor the functioning of JNVs with reference to above mentioned guidelines. If there is any deviation noticed it should be brought to the notice of HQ immediately along with documentary evidence for taking necessary action.
- 4) Deputy Commissioner NVS all Regional Offices for necessary compliance.
- 5) A.C(F/S) NVS—with a request to upload the letter in the website of Samiti.