GUIDANCE NOTE
CATEGORY – BEST ANGANWADI WORKER
(EVALUATION PERIOD - 1st Jan To 31st Dec 2022)

1. **Impact:** How did the nominee create an exemplary lasting impact on individuals or groups under challenging and adverse circumstances? How did the Anganwadi Worker demonstrate exemplary processes to bring about positive changes in children’s growth and development, adolescent girls and women.

   **Key points that can be highlighted:**
   a) No. of children and other beneficiaries mobilised for activities at the Anganwadi.
   b) No. of families with malnourished children visited, counselled and referred to NRC (Nutrition Rehabilitation Center)/higher health facilities for improvement.
   c) No. of malnourished children improved and sustained normal nutritional status.
   d) No. of adolescent girls whose anaemic status was restored to normal.
   e) No. of girls and young women counselled and provided services on nutrition; (including anaemia treatment/prevention) and menstrual hygiene management (Including regular supply of sanitary napkins to girls and women) to ensure their health and well-being.

2. **Innovation:** Innovative technique(s) used by the Anganwadi Worker to improve efficiency, and address issues and real-time challenges in the course of work.

   **Key points that can be highlighted:**
   a) Innovative actions in making the AWC a model AWC.
   b) Innovations/alternative means to improve service delivery in the Anganwadi Centre.
   c) Utilised Panchayat/other funds for community involvement and community ownership of Anganwadi.
   d) Actions for empowerment of adolescent girls to become change agents for anaemia prevention and Menstrual Hygiene Management, and responsible parenting.
   e) Innovative activities in organising Village Health Sanitation and Nutrition Days.

3. **Success Story:** A case study of the nominee that has contributed to bringing positive change in the community.

   **Key points that can be highlighted**
   a) Nominee’s involvement in achieving a better outcome and strategies been undertaken.
   b) Key challenges/adverse circumstances faced by the Nominee, and how did she address it.
   c) Steps taken by the nominee to ensure the nutrition status of all children in the Anganwadi with particularly children with severely malnourished and/or socially and emotionally challenged.
   d) Steps taken for the maintenance of accurate and timely records and reports.
e) Steps the nominee might have taken to make sure parents are aware of best child care practices/responsible parenthood (e.g. Parents trained on how to play, communicate and sing with children promote creating child-safe spaces in the community).

f) Steps taken by the nominee to influence parents to regular attendance of children at the Anganwadi Centre and other beneficiaries to access services from the Anganwadi.

g) Steps taken by the nominee to influence Panchayats/ICDS/Health Department to deliver basic services to Anganwadi centre like safe drinking water and sanitation facilities, adequate learning materials for all children, and additional services to the hamlet for special services for the children with disability.

4. Mandatory Evidence to be submitted along with the application

Please attach any one of the following evidences to support your story that can be verified independently:

1. Newspaper clippings,
2. Letters of appreciation from senior Government Official/Panchayat Head/District Official,
3. Any award received for the achievement mentioned.
4. Four to five photographs of nominee’s activities in the field (high resolution).