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Dear *Mission Director,*

Government of India launched the scheme of 'Home delivery of contraceptives' (HDC) by ASHAs in 2011. The scheme has helped in improving contraceptive access in the community.

Under the existing HDC scheme, the 'Free supply' component was withdrawn from the sub block level facilities viz. PHCs and SCs, and ASHAs were entrusted to cater to this section of the beneficiaries at their homes with nominally costed commodities. 'Free supply' component, however, continued to be available at higher level facilities viz. CHCs, SDHs and DHs.

Evaluation of the scheme has revealed that due to non-availability of the contraceptives at PHCs and SCs, the beneficiaries who approach the facilities directly are not able to get the commodities. Also some male beneficiaries find it difficult to approach ASHAs for their need of condoms due to existing socio cultural barriers.

To address these challenges and further improve contraceptive access, Government has devised the *Modified Scheme for Home delivery of contraceptives* under which the free supply has been restored at the PHC and SCs to cater to the beneficiaries who want to access the facilities directly. Further, the states also need to ensure the availability of condom boxes in all facilities so that clients can freely access the condoms.

The detailed guidelines for the modified scheme are placed at Annexure A.

Necessary steps to implement the modified scheme may be taken on priority.

*Regards,  
Happy New Year.*

Yours sincerely

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