

**DETAILED GUIDELINES & MONITORING MODALITIES FOR THE UTILISATION OF  
PREGNANCY TESTING KITS (PTKs) AT SUB-CENTERS & BELOW**

**GENERAL GUIDELINES:**

1. Each Sub-center in the country is entitled to receive PTKs based on its projected requirement, but not exceeding 150 kits per year.
2. The PTKs would be directly supplied to the State by GOI. The State should put in a mechanism to ensure that necessary steps are taken on priority for further distribution of PTKs to Sub-centers through its own system of logistics management, timely and regularly for ensuring appropriate utilization of kits.
3. The State should ensure that 5% of the total stock of PTKs supplied by GOI is kept as buffer before dispatching to districts. Districts, in turn, should keep 5% of the stock received from the state as buffer and rest may be dispatched to sub-centers.
4. The sub-centers should ensure that 50% of the received stocks of PTKs are distributed equally among the ASHAs attached to the sub-center and replenish their stock strictly on the basis of performance and not on normative basis.
5. The ASHA shall replenish her stock every month from the Sub-center.
6. The PTKs will be a part of ASHA drug kit and are meant to be distributed free of cost to the clients in field by ASHAs.
7. No transport cost for carrying the PTKs is admissible to the ASHA, as the monthly stock requirement per village would be a part of the ASHA drug kit.

**ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:**

*STATE:*

1. The State would designate a nodal person to manage and monitor the scheme.
2. The State would orient the CMOs of all the districts.
3. CMOs would further orient MOs as well as other district officials including the ANMs and ASHAs on the details of the scheme.
4. Communication material comprising of banners, posters and leaflets etc. available with GoI as well as developed locally should be disseminated at all levels.

*MO I/C of PHC, ANM would:*

1. Ensure all ASHAs collect supply from sub-centre.
2. Verify ASHAs' performance on a monthly basis.
3. Ensure that the ASHAs are giving correct information to clients regarding the method of use of PTKs and orient them in their monthly meetings.

*ASHA would:*

1. Regularly collect stock from Sub-center.

2. Inform the clients/ women in reproductive age group in her area regarding availability of PTK.
3. Inform the potential clients (women in reproductive age group) regarding advantages of early detection of pregnancy with PTK.
4. Deliver PTK to the client as per perceived need and tell her the correct method of usage (*Refer Annexure II*).
5. Help in interpretation of result, if required.
6. Refer the woman for appropriate care as the need may be:
  - **If test is “Positive”**
    - **Woman wants to continue pregnancy-** Refer the client for ANC registration and check-ups
    - **Woman wants to terminate pregnancy-** Refer to a service provider for safe abortion services
  - **If test is “Negative”**
    - **Woman does not want to get pregnant-** Counsel on family planning methods, Provide OCPs / Condoms, “OR” refer to health facility for other methods like IUCD, sterilization
    - **Woman wants to get pregnant-** Refer to a service provider (Screening for RTI/STI or treatment for infertility, as the case may be)
7. The ASHA would report monthly progress to Sub-center in the following format (Format-A):

**Format A: Reporting by ASHA**

SN	Date	Name of the woman	Address with contact details	Age	PTK provided	Result of test (Positive "OR" Negative)	If Positive, woman referred to service provider (Y/N)	If negative, woman counselled on contraceptive use (Y/N)	Any other remarks	Name of ASHA	Signature
1											
2											

**MONITORING MECHANISM:**

The supply and utilization of PTKs will be monitored closely at the SHC, PHC, district and state levels.

**State Nodal Officer:**

State nodal officer for family welfare would have the overall responsibility for smooth supply up to the ASHA level along with proper utilization of PTKs. He/ She would be responsible for the following tasks:



3. This report must be sent to the districts every month, which in turn would compile entire districts' data and send to State.

**ANM (at Sub-center level):**

1. ANM at the sub-center would be responsible for distribution of PTKs to the ASHAs.
2. ANM would keep a register in place which would have records of individual ASHA-wise distribution of PTKs and utilization
3. Additionally ANM would also maintain record of total supply received at the Sub-center and its utilization; see format (Format-D) below:

Format D: Distribution of Stock to ASHA and Utilization at Sub-center and through ASHA						
Sub- Centre						
District						
Month						
SN	Stock received	Stock Distributed to ASHA	Stock used at Sub-Center	Balance available	Remarks	
ASHA Wise Details						
SN	Name of ASHA	Address with contact details	Stock received	Stock used	Balance available	Signature
1						
2						
3						
4						