## Government of West Bengal School Education Department Planning & Budget Branch, Bikash Bhavan, Salt Lake, Kolkata – 700091

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Copy of Memorandum No. 850-F(P2) dated:24-02-2023 of Finance (Audit) Department, Government of West Bengal regarding "Grant of Dearness Allowance to State Government Employees and the employees of Government aided Educational Institutions, employees of Statutory Bodies, Government Undertakings, Panchayats including Panchayat Karmee, Municipal Corporations/ Municipalities, Local Bodies etc. and also Dearness Relief to the Pensioners/Family Pensioners" is forwarded for kind information and necessary action to:

- 1. The Commissioner , School Education, West Bengal , Bikash Bhavan,  $7^{th}$  floor, Salt Lake, Kolkata-700091
- 2. The Director of S.C.E.R.T., West Bengal, 25/3, Ballygunge Circular Road, Kolkata-700 019.
- 3. The Director of Accounts (School Education), West Bengal. 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Bikash Bhavan, SaltLake, Kolkata -700 091.
- 4. The Secretary, West Bengal Council of Higher Secondary Education, Vidyasagar Bhavan, 9/2, Block DJ, Sector II, Bidhannagar, Kolkata 700 091
- 5. The Secretary, West Bengal Board of Secondary Education, 77/2 Park Street, Kol-16
- 6. The Secretary, West Bengal Board of Primary Education, Acharya Prafulla Chandra Bhavan, DK 7/1, Sector II, Bidhannagar, Karunamoyee, Kolkata 700 091
- 7. Project Director, Cooked Mid Day Meal Project, Acharya Prafulla Chandra Bhavan, 7/1, Sector II, Bidhannagar, Karunamoyee, Kolkata 700 091
- 8. Secretary, West Bengal Central School Service Commission. Acharya Sadan, 11 & 11/1 Block EE, Salt lake, Kolkata 700 091
- 9. The State Project Director, Paschim Banga Sarva Siksha Mission
- 10. The President, West Bengal Council of Rabindra Open Schooling
- 11. The Registrar, School Education Department
- 12. The Director of Pension, Provident Fund & Group Insurance, W.B., Purta Bhavan, 2nd floor, Salt Lake City, Kolkata-700 091
- 13. Portal of the School Education Department [https://banglarshiksha.gov.in]

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Dated: 01-03-2023

Joint Secretary to the Government of West Bengal

#### **GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL**

# FINANCE (AUDIT) DEPARTMENT NABANNA, MANDIRTALA, HOWRAH – 711 102

No. 850 - F(P2) Dated 24/02/2023

### **MEMORANDUM**

Subject: Grant of Dearness Allowance to State Government Employees and the employees of Government aided Educational Institutions, employees of Statutory Bodies, Government Undertakings, *Panchayats* including *Panchayat Karmee*, Municipal Corporations / Municipalities, Local Bodies etc. and also Dearness Relief to the Pensioners / Family Pensioners.

The question of enhancement of (i) Dearness Allowance in the revised pay structure implemented as per recommendations of the 6<sup>th</sup> Pay Commission in respect of Government employees, the teaching and non-teaching employees of Government aided Educational Institutions, employees of Statutory Bodies, Government Undertakings, *Panchayats* including *Panchayat Karmee*, Municipal Corporations / Municipalities, Local Bodies etc. and (ii) Dearness Relief on the pension / family pension since revised as per recommendation of the said Pay Commission has been under consideration of the Government for some time past.

- 2. After careful consideration, the Governor has been pleased to decide the following:
  - I. The whole time State Government employees shall draw Dearness Allowance @6% of basic pay w.e.f. 01/03/2023. The calculation of Dearness Allowances shall be made taking into account the revised basic pay and NPA, if any, but it shall not include any other type of pay.
- II. The Dearness Allowance as sanctioned at (I) above in respect of State Government employees shall be admissible to the teaching and non-teaching employees of Government aided Educational Institutions, employees of Statutory Bodies, Government Undertakings, *Panchayats* including *Panchayat Karmee*, Municipal Corporations / Municipalities, Local Bodies etc. The respective Administrative Department may sanction the benefit of Dearness Allowance @6% of revised basic pay w.e.f. 01/03/2023 to the employees under their control without making any further reference to Group P2 of this Department.
- III. (a) The State Government Pensioners / Family Pensioners shall draw Dearness Relief @ 6% of revised basic pension / revised family pension w.e.f. 01/03/2023.
  - (b) It will be the responsibility of the Pension Disbursing Authority to calculate the quantum of Dearness Relief on revised Pension / revised Family Pension payable to each individual case.

- (c) For the purpose of payment of Dearness Relief sanctioned herein, the Principal Accountant General (A&E), West Bengal, will issue authority to the Public Sector Banks in Kolkata and the Accountant General of other States.
- (d) The Treasury or Sub-treasury Officers in this State will give effect to this order without the authority of the Accountant General (A&E), West Bengal.
- IV. The Dearness Relief as sanctioned at (III) (a) above for the State Government Pensioners / Family Pensioners shall also be admissible to the Pensioners / Family Pensioners of State aided Non-Government Educational Institutions, Statutory Bodies / Government Undertakings/ Panchayats, Municipal Corporations / Municipalities, Local Bodies etc., who are in receipt of revised Pension / revised Family Pension as per recommendations of 6<sup>th</sup> Pay Commission. The respective Administrative Department may sanction the benefit of Dearness Relief @6% of revised Pension / revised Family Pension w.e.f. 01/03/2023 to the Pensioners / Family Pensioners concerned under their control without making any further reference to Pension Branch of this Department.
- V. (a) The rate of Dearness Allowance in respect of the employees mentioned in para (1) above who are drawing pay in the pre-revised pay structure as per recommendation of the 5<sup>th</sup> Pay Commission shall be enhanced from 133% to 141% w.e.f. 01/03/2023.
  - (b) The pensioners / family pensioners still drawing pre-revised pension / family pension (As per ROPA 2009) will get Dearness Relief @ 141% with effect from 01/03/2023 till their pension / family pension is revised.
- VI. The Dearness Allowance / Dearness Relief sanctioned herein shall be rounded off to the nearest rupee in each case.
- VII. In the case of Public Undertakings / Statutory Bodies, the additional expenditure for sanction of Dearness Allowance and Dearness Relief should be borne by such Undertakings / Bodies themselves out of their own resources or out of financial assistance provided to them in the budget and no additional financial assistance will be given to them on that account.
- VIII. There will be a further ad-hoc increase in the Daily Rate of Wages by Rs. 17/- (Rupees Seventeen) only w.e.f. 01/03/2023 for the daily rated workers under the Government whose wages are not regulated by any Statutory provisions like the Minimum Wages Act, etc.

Sd/-Dr. Manoj Pant Additional Chief Secretary to the Government of West Bengal No. 850/1(400)-F(P2) Dated 24/02/2023

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- 1) The Principal Accountant General (A&E), West Bengal, Treasury Buildings, Kolkata --1.
- 2) The Principal Accountant General (Audit) West Bengal, Treasury Buildings, Kolkata -- 1.
- 3) The Accountant General (Receipts, Works and Local Bodies Audit), West Bengal, C.G.O. Complex, 3" M.S.O. Buildings, 5" Floor, Block-DF, Sector-I, Salt Lake, Kolkata 700 064.
- 4) The Pay & Accounts Officer, Kolkata Pay & Accounts Office-I, 81/2/2, Phears Lane, Kolkata 700 012.
- 5) The Pay & Accounts Officer, Kolkata Pay & Accounts Office-II, P-1, Hyde Lane, Jawahar Buildings, Kolkata 700 073.
- 6) The Pay & Accounts Officer, Kolkata Pay & Accounts Office-III, lB. Market, Sector-III, Salt Lake, Kolkata 700 106.
- 7) The Dy. Secy. & D.D.O., Finance (Accounts) Department, Nabanna, Howrah-711 102.
- 8) The Department/Directorate, ......
- 9) The District Magistrate/District Judge, ......
- 10) The Sub-Divisional Officer,
- 11) The Treasury Officer, .....
- 12) The Commissioner, .....
- 13) The Superintendent of Police, .....
- 14) The Superintendent Engineer/Ex. Engineer,
- 15) The Principal Industrial Training Institute, ......
- 16) Shri Sumit Mitra, Network Administrator, Finance Department for uploading in the Finance Department's Website.

Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal