Government of West Bengal Backward Classes Welfare Department Writers' Buildings, Kolkata-700 001

No. 910/JS(1)/BCW

Dated : 14th September, 2010

From : A. Roy Chowdhury, IAS Joint Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal

To : The Project Officer –cum- District Welfare Officer/District Welfare Officer District

Subject : Ensuring monthly disbursement of Old-age Pension

Sir,

This department is running Old- age Pension Scheme for BPL tribals above 60 years of age for the last few years. It has been noted with great concern that old-age pension is not being disbursed regularly to the pensioners, which is causing great hardship to them. Needless to say, old-age pension has to be paid in every month to fulfil the very purpose for which the scheme has been introduced.

You are, therefore, once again directed to ensure payment of old-age pension to our beneficiaries in every month. This should be top priority area of all district officers of this department. Any deviation will be very seriously viewed by this department.

You are aware that generally allotment of pension is made by the department in three segments in a year. As soon as an allotment is received for a particular quarter, the same should be drawn instantly and the total pension amount of a pensioner for that quarter should be credited into the savings account of the pensioner. Instruction should be issued to the Branch Manager/Postmaster to disburse pension @ Rs. 750/- per month to the pensioners. In case a pensioner has drawn less than Rs. 750 /- in a particular month he or she is at liberty, to draw the balance amount along with the payable monthly pension of Rs 750/- in subsequent month.

Fund for Old-age pension for the quarter August to December, 2010 has been sanctioned and released to all the districts. The entire amount should be drawn from Treasury and the entire amount should be credited into the respective Savings account of the pensioners and payment of monthly payment should be ensured.

An early compliance report will be much appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

Joint Secretary to the Government of West Bengal

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1. Commissioner, BCW Department

2. Savadhipati (all)

3. District Magistrate (all)

4. M. Pandit, JCR & ex-officio Joint Secretary, BCW Department

5. P.S to MIC/MOS of this department.

6. Sr. Personal Secretary to Principal Secretary of this department.

Joint Secretary to the Government of West Bengal