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Government of West Bengal
School Education Department
Secondary Branch

NOTIFICATION

No. 86- SE(S)-5th February, 2007-In exercise of the power conferred by clause (c) of Sub-Section (1) of Section 9 of the West Bengal Schools (Control of Expenditure) Act, 2005, (West Ben. Act XIV of 2005), hereinafter referred to as the said Act), and, in supersession of all previous notifications, orders and directions in so far as the subject matter relates, the Governor is pleased hereby to make the following rules, namely :-

Rules

1. Short title and commencement - (1) These rules may be called the West Bengal Schools (up-
dation) Rules, 2007.

(2) They shall come into force on the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

2. Definitions - (1) In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires, —

- (a) "Act" means the West Bengal Schools (Control of Expenditure) Act, 2005 (West Ben. Act XIV of 2005);
- (b) "Board" means the West Bengal Board of Secondary Education established under the West Bengal Board of Secondary Education Act, 1963 (West Ben. Act V of 1963);
- (c) "Council" means the West Bengal Council of Higher Secondary Education established under the West Bengal Council of Higher Secondary Education Act, 1975 (West Ben. Act VII of 1975);
- (d) "Director" means the Director of School Education, West Bengal,
- (e) "District Inspector of Schools", in relation to a school, means the District Inspector of Schools (Secondary Education) exercising jurisdiction in respect of the school;

(f) "District Level Inspection Team" means the District Level Inspection Team consti. under sub-section (1) of Section 8 of the Act;

(g) "Form" means the Form appended to these rules;

(h) "School" means a school as defined in clause (m) of Section 2 of the Act, but does include a madrasah or Primary Teachers' Training Institution;

(2) The words and expressions used, but not defined, in these Rules and defined in the Act shall have the same meanings as assigned to them in the Act.

3. Number of schools to be upgraded - (1) The State Government may, on the basis of directions to be notified by the State Government on school mapping and school planning, determine the type and number of schools in a district to be upgraded in a year and accordingly it shall make budgetary provision in the Budget of the State.

(2) After the necessary budgetary provisions for upgradation of schools in a district are made, the State Government shall communicate its decision to the Director, the Board, the Council and the District Inspector of Schools.

(3) Notwithstanding any thing contained in sub-rule (2), the State Government may select any specific school in a district for upgradation and direct the District Inspector of Schools for taking necessary action in the matter.

4. Application for upgradation - (1) On receipt of the decision of the State Government under sub-rule (2) of Rule 3, the District Inspector of Schools may invite application for upgradation of a School within its jurisdiction.

(2) The application for upgradation shall be made by the school authority in Form -1 to the State Government, through the District Inspector of Schools.

(3) Any application without prescribed form shall not be entertained.

(4) The District Inspector of Schools shall on receipt of application under sub-rule (2), shall verify the correctness or otherwise of the particulars furnished in the application, and if satisfied, forward the application to the concerned Board or the Council, for taking necessary action on the matter.

(5) The concerned Board or the Council on receipt of application under sub-rule (2), shall make a recommendation, to the Director for taking a decision regarding inspection of the School by the District Level Inspection Team.

(6) On receipt of the application along with the recommendation of the concerned Board or the Council, as the case may be, the Director shall compile a report on applications received from the various schools seeking upgradation.

(7) The Director shall, after compiling the report under sub-rule (6), send it to the State Government.

(8) The State Government shall, after receiving the report under sub-rule (7), decide and give instruction to the Director to make necessary arrangement for inspection of the schools by the District Level Inspection Team. DLIT

5. Inspection of school - (1) No school shall be inspected for the purpose of upgradation unless it is directed by the State Government.

(2) The District Level Inspection Team shall inspect the schools in accordance with the orders issued under sub-section (4) of Section 8 of the Act and shall also ensure that the school seeking upgradation shall-

- (a) be located in a relatively noise-free and pollution-free area, having adequate supply of drinking water and electricity;
- (b) have a building usable in all weathers;
- (c) have a play ground for the students;
- (d) have good road links, conveyance and communication facility;

