

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
Finance Department
NABANNA
325, Sarat Chatterjee Road, Howrah-711102

No. 3371-F(P2)

Dated, Howrah, the 20th May, 2023

MEMORANDUM

In view of call given by some organizations for pen-down strike from 22.5.2023 (Monday) onwards, it has been decided that employees of all State Government offices including those provided with grants-in-aid by the State Government must report for duty and conduct official business as usual.

As pen-down strike affects the smooth functioning of the offices and delivery of public services and is therefore against larger public interest, any employee found not discharging his/her duties in the offices, shall be liable for action as per rules.

It has further been decided that no Casual Leave for absence, either in the first-half of the day or in the second half or for the whole day nor any other leave shall be granted to any employee on any of such days unless such absence is covered by the following grounds :

- a) Hospitalisation of the employees;
- b) Bereavement in the family;
- c) Severe illness and absence continuing prior to the 19th May, 2023.
- d) Employees who had been on Child Care Leave, Maternity Leave, Medical Leave and Earned Leave sanctioned prior to the 19th May, 2023.

All Heads of Offices/Controlling Authorities concerned will issue Show-Cause notice to the employee(s) concerned who will remain absent on any of such date(s) from the 22nd May, 2023 asking him/her to explain why action would not be taken against him/her for such unauthorised absence. On receipt of satisfactory reply, leave due and admissible may be granted on production of documentary evidence on the grounds mentioned above.

Where the absence is not covered by any of the above-mentioned reasons or the leave has not been approved by the Head of the office, the same will be treated as '*dies non*' and no salary will be admissible for the day(s) concerned.

Those who will not respond to the Show-Cause notice will be liable to disciplinary action.

All course of action in terms of this order should be completed within 3 weeks and compliance report on action taken should be sent to this Department.

Sd/- Dr. Manoj Pant
**Additional Chief Secretary to the
Government of West Bengal**

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- 2) The Principal Accountant General (A&E) / (Audit), WB, Treasury Buildings, Kol.-1
- 3) The Principal Secretary to the Hon'ble Chief Minister, West Bengal
- 4) The Sr. Personal Secretary to the Chief Secretary, Govt. of West Bengal
- 5) The Sr. P.A. to HMOS(IC), Finance Department
- 6) The Governor's Secretariat, Governor House, Raj Bhavan, Kolkata-700 062
- 7) The Additional Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary/Secretary.....
- 8) The Director General & Inspector General of Police, West Bengal
- 9) The Commissioner of Police, Kolkata
- 10) The Divisional Commissioner Division.
- 11) The District Magistrate/District Judge/superintendent of Police
- 12) The Sub-Divisional Officer
- 13) The Deputy Secretary & DDO, Finance Deptt, Accounts Branch, Nabanna
- 14) The Pay & Accounts Officer, Kolkata Pay & Accounts Office-I/II/III
- 15) The Treasury OfficerTreasury
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- 17) The Chief of News Bureau, Directorate of Information, West Bengal; Necessary publicity in this respect may be made
- 18) Shri Sumit Mitra, Network Administrator, Finance Department for uploading this Memorandum in the Finance Department Website.



**Joint Secretary to the
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