

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
School Education Department

Budget Branch

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MEMORANDUM

Some cases for grant of Family Pension etc. to the eligible family members of the employees/pensioners of the West Bengal non-Govt. Educational Institutions, who have suddenly disappeared and whose whereabouts are not known, have come to the notice of this Department. In normal cases, unless a period of seven years has elapsed since the date of disappearance of the incumbent, he/she cannot be deemed to be dead and the retirement benefits cannot be paid to the family.

The matter has been under consideration of the Government for sometime past and the Governor, after careful consideration of the matter, has been pleased to decide that when an employee/pensioner of West Bengal non-Govt. Aided Educational Institution disappears leaving his/her family, family pension etc. may be granted to his/her eligible members of the family on receipt of such

application alongwith documents as may be necessary, subject to fulfilment of the following conditions :-

(i) The family must lodge a report with the concerned Police Station and obtain a report from the police to the effect that the incumbent could not be traced out after efforts had been made by the police.

(ii) An Indemnity Bond should be taken from the family pensioners concerned to the effect that all payments as would be received from the Government shall be refunded to the Government in the event the missing person reappears and claims his dues.

All Government dues outstanding against the incumbent concerned, shall be recovered under rules/orders from the benefits of Family Pension etc.

The family concerned shall apply to the concerned District Inspector of Schools of the district for grant of family pension etc. after one year from the date of disappearance of the teacher/non-teaching staff pensioner.

If any such case is received by the District Inspector of School concerned, he will make proper scrutiny and if it be found proper, he should recommend it to Director of School Education, West Bengal and the Director of School Education in his turn will forward the case with his comments to School Education Department for sanction.

The term 'family' has the same meaning as defined in paragraph 5(S) of Chapter II in the Government Order No. 136-Edn(B) dated 15.5.1985 and its amendments will apply to those cases mutatis mutandis.

This has the concurrence of the Finance Department of this Government vide their U.O.No.79F(pen) dated 20.1.04.

The Principal Accountant General (A&E), West Bengal and all concerned are being informed.

Sd/- M. L. Basak
Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal.