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No.5144 -J Dated, Kolkata, the 20th July,2009 JD/L/ 2S-23/04(...VI) From: Shri A.K. Roy, Secretary-in-Charge to the Govt. of west Bengal.

To: The Principal Accountant General (A&E), W.B. Treasury Building, Kolkata-700001

Sub: Implementation of the recommendation of the Shetty Commission for the STENOGRAPHERS attached to the different sub-ordinate courts in the State - Regarding recruitment rules, promotion policies, qualifications, and traveling allowances etc..

Sir,

In compliance with direction of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dt. 11.2.09 passed in I.A. No.s 71A, 135-136, 137-138 and 142 in w. p. (c) No. 1022/1989 and as per the decision taken in the matter in the meeting held in the chamber of the Principal Secretary, Finance Department of West Bengal on 30.3.09, I am directed by order of the Governor to say that the Governor has been pleased to decide to implement the following recommendations w.e.f.

01.4.03:-

- 1) Stenographers in court will be classified into three grades :-
- (i)Stenographer Grade-III (Grade-C)
- (ii)Stenographer Grade-II (Grade-B)
- (iii)Stenographer Grade-I (Grade-A)

However, retention of the existing pay scales of Stenographer Grade-I (Grade-A) is to be maintained hierarchical structure in the court administration.

2) Method of Recruitment, Promotion, Seniority and Status.

The existing method of recruitment and promotion to these three cadres will be continued but exclusively by the District Court Administration without any reference to the State Government.

There shall be a separate **seniority list District wise** for the Stenographers working in the Courts and promotion will be made in accordance with the said seniority list. Court Stenographers should not be included in the general seniority list maintained by the Government.

- 3) Personal Assistant to the Principal District & Sessions Judge and Principal City Civil Court Judge.
- The incumbent of this post is to be selected by the Principal District Judge/ Principal City Civil Judge according to his choice amongst the Stenographers Grade-I. The post is designated as Executive Assistant to Principal District & Sessions Judge/ / Principal City Civil Court Judge. A special allowance of Rs. 200/- p. m. inclusive of Travel ling and Compensatory Allowance is recommended.
- 4) No. of Stenographers to be given to each Judge.
- (a) Civil Judge (Jr. Div.)/ Magistrate---- One Grade-III Stenographer
- (b) Civil Judge(Sr.Div.)/CJM/CMM—One Grade-II Stenographer
- (c) Principal Dist. & Sess. Judge---One Grade-I Stenographer and the Principal City Civil Court Judge—One Executive Assistant.
- 5) Pool of Stenographers.
- In City Civil courts and in district Headquarters, where there is cluster of Courts, each Judge is to be provided with a Stenographer and there may be a pool of Stenographers to be determined by the High Court to meet the requirements.
- 6) Permission to switch over to ministerial / supervisory cadre:-
- May be permitted after completion of a minimum period of service (to be determined by the high Court).
- 7) This order is issued with concurrent of the Finance (A) Department vide there U.O. No. 156 Gr.'P' (Service) dt. 01.06.09.

All concerned including all Treasury Officers, Calcutta Pay & Accounts Office-I & II, W.B. are also informed accordingly.