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PANCHAYATS & RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
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Dated : 29th March, 2010

From : *Dr. M. N. Ray*, IAS
Principal Secretary to the Government of West Bengal

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To : 1. The District Magistrate *Paschim Medinipur*
2. The A.E.O., Siliguri Mahakuma Parishad

Info.

Sir,

As per provision contained in paragraph 5 of Schedule-II of MGNREGA 2005, a maximum of 100 days works may be provided per household in a financial year. It is seen that in many districts there are cases where families have been provided more than 100 days' work in a financial year in violation of the above provisions of the Act. As per the guidelines, Government of India is liable for providing funds for unskilled employment up to 100 days per family in a financial year. Liability for employment in excess of 100 days has accordingly to be borne by the State Government. It is unfortunate that despite several instructions more than 100 days work per year are still being given to some families in some Gram Panchayats in violation of the provision of NREGA. This has already been brought to our notice by Govt. of India also. It is imperative that this aberration in programme implementation has to be stopped immediately.

I would request you to issue instructions to all the GPs/PIAs so that the ceiling of 100 days' work in a financial year per household is strictly adhered to. In case of recurrence of violation of the same, the State Govt may be compelled to make the erring GP/PIA liable to bear the cost of wages associated with the works in excess of 100 days per family per financial year.

Yours sincerely,

M.N.R. 29/3/10
(M. N. Ray)