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Dated: 21.06.24

To:-

- 1) The Director of DDP&S
- 2) The Director of Rationing

Sub: Steps to be taken to ensure that a genuine beneficiary is not deprived of his entitled foodgrains.

Sir,

To ensure that a single genuine beneficiary is not deprived of his/her entitled foodgrain due to non-availability of Aadhaar or failure of biometric (Fingerprint and IRIS) scan, all SCF&S/RO shall be requested to sensitize all FPSs under his/her control so that they bring the matter to his notice through the Inspector F&S immediately, if any eligible beneficiary could not lift his entitled foodgrains due to aforesaid grounds.

In that case the SCF&S/RO should verify the issue personally and take necessary steps to exempt them for Aadhaar authentication using the options available under the module “**Verification for Activation/Seeding**” in RCMS login of Departmental portal food.wb.gov.in. if the beneficiary falls under exempted category as follows:

- 1) Beneficiary age is below 5 years. (Birth Certificate to be attached mandatorily).
- 2) Missing fingers/fingerprint and IRIS cannot be scanned.
- 3) Staying in a charitable home/orphanage
- 4) Primitive tribal (Now renamed as Particularly Vulnerable Tribal-Toto, Lodha and Birhore) having no Aadhaar
- 5) The beneficiary does not possess the Aadhaar yet but enrolled for the same.

In this regard, it is to be noted that exemption under option 1 is valid till the attaining of age of 5 years, option 2 is valid for 2 years and option 3 is valid for 1 year, hence thorough verification is required to provide such exemption. For exemption under the option 4 and 5, validity of exemption is 3 months only.

Yours faithfully


Special Secretary
to the Government of West Bengal

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1. Sr Special Secretary (Food).
2. Joint Secretary, IT.
3. TD, NIC.
4. OSD Reform.
5. DCF&S/DDR (All)
6. P.S to HMIC, F&S.
7. P.S to HMOS, F&S
8. Project Manager Reform cell for necessary changes in portal accordingly.
9. Sr. PA to the Principal Secretary, F&S Department.
10. Guard file.


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