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GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL

Department of Food & Supplies

Directorate of Rationing

11A, Mirza Ghalib Street, Kolkata 700087

NOTIFICATION

No. 23/DR/SSLC/17/20

Kolkata, the 14th January, 2021

In pursuance of approval of the Government in Food and Supplies Department vide Order No. 63-FS/Sectt./Sup/4M-195/19 dated 07.01.2021, **applications are invited from an individual, registered partnership firm, registered Co-operative society, Sangha or mahasangha of self-help group working within the concerned district for filling up the vacancy of a Fair Price Shop dealer in terms of clause 16(b) of the West Bengal Urban Public Distribution System (Maintenance & Control) Order, 2013 in Hooghly-Chinsurah sub-area of Hooghly sub-control on the terms and conditions mentioned hereinbelow. The place of vacancy for setting up new Fair Price Shop is at Ghutiabazar, Hooghly.**

While selecting suitable candidate for offering dealership licence under the WBUPDS(M&C) Order, 2013, preference may be given to self-help groups, especially women self-help groups.

Applications in prescribed proforma (**Form A-1 under Schedule H of the WBUPDS(M&C) Order, 2013**) alongwith other requisite documents and Treasury Challan/GRIPS e-challan showing deposit of Rs.1000/- (Rupees one thousand only) as application fee should be submitted in a sealed cover, superscribed "**Application for engagement as Fair Price Shop dealer at Ghutiabazar, Hooghly against notification no. 23/DR/SSLC/17/20 dated 14.01.2021 in Hooghly-Chinsurah sub-area of Hooghly sub-control**" to the office of the Deputy Director of Rationing, Hooghly, Khadya Bhavan, Town Guard Road, Chinsurah, Hooghly, PIN-712101 during working hours on any working day within 30(thirty) days from the date of publication of the notification. If the last date as fixed above falls on any holiday, the applications will be received on the next working day. No application will be entertained thereafter.

Please note that the crucial date for determining the last date of application shall be the date of publication of the notification in the *Official Gazette* or the date of publication of the indicative advertisement in the newspaper, whichever is later.

Specimen copy of the application form will be available free of cost from the Hooghly-Chinsurah Rationing Office, Khadya Bhavan, Town Guard Road, Chinsurah, Hooghly, PIN-712101. The form will also be available from the office of Deputy Director of Rationing, Hooghly. The same may also be downloaded from the official website of Food and Supplies Department (www.wbpds.gov.in).

Eligibility criteria for engagement of dealer:

- 1) The applicant in the case of individual(s) must be adult citizen/s of India.

- 2) The applicant in the case of individual(s) should be permanent resident/s of the sub-area in which the vacancy occurs.
- 3) The applicant should have knowledge for both reading and writing of local language prevailing in the area for which the vacancy stands for.
- 4) The applicant must be prepared to furnish, on engagement, a Security Deposit of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees twenty five thousand only) and Licence Fee of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees ten thousand only) in Treasury Challan/GRIPS e-challan in appropriate head of account for fulfilment of his/her/their obligation as a dealer.
- 5) The applicant must have a **bank balance of Rs. 2,50,000/- (Rupees two lakh fifty thousand only)** in form of savings account, current account and/or fixed/term/flexi deposit as working capital **as reflected on the day of application and 6 (six) months preceding the date of application.**
- 6) The applicant should possess a suitable godown **of minimum 400 sq. ft. alongwith a covered space of 200 sq. ft. adjacent to the godown** to be used for office purpose and FPS automation **within the place of vacancy.** The proposed godown should be well ventilated pucca structure with concrete floor and must be hygienic and worthy of storing foodgrains. There has to be adequate space for simultaneous loading and unloading and there must be a shade in front of the shop to accommodate at least 20 people who may wait in the queue.
- 7) In terms of clause 16(di) of the WBUPDS(M&C) Order, 2013, the following persons shall not be eligible to apply for a licence of a dealer, namely–
 - (i) a person holding a licence of dealer or distributor or wholesaler in his/her name or a person whose relative already has a dealer or distributor or wholesaler licence;
 - (ii) a member of local bodies, local authority, Panchayati Raj Institutions, board or corporation, or Member of Legislative Assembly or a member of Parliament during his/her tenure as such capacity;
 - (iii) a minor or person of unsound mind or an insolvent;
 - (iv) a person convicted by the court under the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 or in any other criminal proceedings connected with essential commodities;
 - (v) a person holding a post in the establishment of any State Government or Central Government or authority or body or institution of Local self-government established or constituted by or under the Constitution or by any other law made by the Parliament or a State Legislature or by notification issued or made by the Central Government or a State Government;
 - (vi) a limited liability partnership;
 - (vii) a corporation or company.

The following supporting documents are required to be submitted alongwith the application in Form A-1:

- 1) Recent passport size colour photograph (to be self attested and affixed on the application form).
- 2) Affidavit (in original) sworn before 1st Class Magistrate Court as per Annexure-1 of Form A-1 under Schedule H of the WBUPDS (M&C) Order, 2013.
- 3) Each application should be accompanied by original Treasury Challan (Form no. 7)/GRIPS e-challan showing deposit of non-refundable application fee of Rs.1000/- (Rupees one thousand only) under the **Head of Account “0408-00-101-001-16”**.
- 4) Proof of citizenship (photocopy of EPIC/Aadhaar card/PAN card/Passport).
- 5) Proof of residence.
- 6) Proof of educational qualification.
- 7) Documents regarding possessional right over the proposed place of shop/godown (photocopy of deed, ROR, registered rent/lease agreement for at least a period of 10 years etc.).
- 8) Document regarding character of the land/ Land Conversion Certificate.
- 9) Proof of maintenance of working capital/financial capacity.
- 10) A lay out map of the offered godown indicating space for loading/unloading and approach road.
- 11) Photocopy of registration certificate issued by competent authority (in case of SHG/Co-operative Society).
- 12) Proof of un-employment by means of an affidavit (in original) sworn before 1st Class Magistrate.

Applications of the candidates who do not fulfil the eligibility criteria specified above or do not submit their applications duly filled in along with requisite documents, in respect of all the columns of the specified application form and affix a recent passport size colour photograph of the applicant, are liable to be rejected. Any suppression of information or incorporation of wrong information in the application form will be considered as a gross disqualification for a candidate. Any form of canvassing will automatically disqualify a candidate for engagement.

Notwithstanding anything contained in this notification, the State Government may, for the reasons to be recorded in writing, cancel the vacancy at any time before the approval is granted.

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