

**Government of West Bengal
Food and Supplies Department
11-A/ Mirza Ghalib Street. Kolkata-87**

Date: 22nd January, 2021

Memo No. 322(28) -FS/O/Sectt/IT-09/2014

From: Special Secretary to the Government of West Bengal

To: The District Controller, Food & Supplies (All)
&
The Deputy Director of Rationing (All),

Subject: Implementation of e-PoS related orders

Instructions for **mandatory transaction** through e-PoS had already been issued vide nos. **809-FS/O/Sectt/IT-09/2014** dated 06/03/2019, **3069-FS/O/Sectt/IT-09/2014** dated 22/07/2019, **1417-FS/O/Sectt/IT-09/2014** dated 11/05/2020, **3887-FS/O/Sectt/IT-09/2014** dated 18/09/2020 and **2669-FS/O/Sectt/IT-12/2014** dated 02/11/2020. Detailed **guidelines regarding transaction through e-PoS** had also been issued vide No. **2629-FS/O/Sectt/IT-09/2014** dated 15/10/2020 in which roles & responsibilities of FPSs had been fixed.

Further order had been issued vide no. 2978 - **FS/O/Sectt/IT-09/2014 (part-II)** dated 10/12/2020 regarding penal action against errant FPS dealers; those are not using e-PoS for food grain distribution without any valid reason and prior permission of the competent authority. But still it is noticed that many FPSs are not using e-PoS. Even where e-PoS are used, unauthenticated transactions are not being done in respect of the beneficiaries whose Aadhaar numbers and/or mobile numbers are seeded with their Ration Card number.


Hence it is once again reiterated to instruct all FPSs Dealers to:

- i. Comply with the orders related with Aadhaar seeding and e-PoS transaction and to ensure 100% transaction through e-PoS.
- ii. Authenticated 100% transaction (Biometric authentication / OTP based transaction) in respect of the beneficiaries whose Aadhaar number and/or mobile number is seeded with their Ration Card number.
- iii. For family based transactions, those families whose all members have validated Aadhaar numbers with their DRCs should be done through authenticated transactions.

However, if for any reason beyond the control the authentication fails, the beneficiaries should not be denied food grains.

In case of any violation concerned licensing authority shall take penal action as per the Control Order(s) in vogue.

It is requested to inform all the FPS Dealers and Inspecting officers for adherence to the orders.


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to the Government of West Bengal

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2. The Special Secretary, Food, Food & Supplies Department
3. The Director, DDP&S, Food & Supplies Department
4. The Director of Rationing, Food & Supplies Department
5. The PS to Hon'ble MIC, Food & Supplies Department



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