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PART I—Orders and Notifications by the Governor of West Bengal, the High Court, Government Treasury, etc.

**GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL**  
**Department of Food & Supplies**  
**11A, Mirza Galib Street, Kolkata-700087**

***NOTIFICATION***

No. 1521-FS./Sectt/Food/4P-09/2012 – Kolkata, the 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2022. – **WHEREAS** it has been considered necessary to amend the West Bengal Public Distribution System (Maintenance & Control) Order, 2013 (hereinafter referred to as the said Control Order), in the manner hereinafter appearing;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in exercise of the power conferred by section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955), the Governor is pleased hereby to make, with an immediate effect, the following amendment in the said Control Order, namely: –

**Amendments**

In the said Control Order, in clause 26, –

(1) for sub-clauses (ii), (iia) and (iii), *substitute* the following sub-clauses: –

“(ii) If it appears necessary for the District Administration to declare a new vacancy of Distributor for better functioning of Public Distribution System in a particular area, the concerned District Controller, Food and Supplies, shall submit the proposal of such vacancy to the Director with the opinion of the concerned District Magistrate. The Director shall examine the proposal, and send it to the State Government with his specific views for consideration. On receipt of the proposal of the vacancy, if the State Government is satisfied, it may approve the vacancy and communicate its decision to the Director.

(iia) After obtaining the approval of the State Government, the Director shall declare such vacancy through notice and invite the applications to fill the vacancy in such form, within such period, in such manner and on payment of such fees, as may be specified in the vacancy notice. The vacancy notice shall be displayed in the office of the Director and concerned District Controller (F&S) and shall also be published on the official website of the Department. The Director shall simultaneously publish an indicative advertisement of the said vacancy for information to the General Public in atleast one Bengali newspaper and one English newspaper having State-wise circulation.

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- (iii) Intending applicants must submit an application in the prescribed Form within the stipulated date along with such documents as may be specified in the vacancy notice. On receipt of the application, the Director shall process the case and cause an enquiry by a team of Officers comprising of an officer not below the rank of Deputy Director, an officer not below the rank of Assistant Director, the concerned District Controller (F&S) and the concerned Sub-divisional Controller (F&S), to determine the suitability of candidature of the applicant and other infrastructure necessary for engagement of Distributor.
- (iiia) On receipt of the enquiry report under sub-clause (iii), the office of the Director shall place the matter before a Directorate Level Selection Committee headed by the Director and such other officers as may be nominated by the State Government for the purpose.
- (iiib) The Directorate Level Selection Committee shall convene a meeting for selection of suitable candidate as a Distributor and communicate its recommendation to the State Government.”.

By Order of the Governor,

PARWEZ AHMAD SIDDIQUI, IAS  
*Secretary to the Government of West Bengal*  
*Department of Food & Supplies*