

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT JUDGE OF BIRBHUM AT SURI
ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

ORDER NO. 32 DATED, SURI, THE 6TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2024.

In pursuant to the direction of the Hon'ble Apex Court passed in **W.P. (C) No. 643 of 2015 (All India Judges' Association - Vs - Union of India & Others) on 04.01.2024** and in compliance with direction conveyed by the Hon'ble Court's *vide Notification No. 1456-RG dated 02.02.2024* and for proper implementation of the recommendation of the SNJPC in respect of pay, pension, allowances & all allied matters including all the payment of arrears of salary & pension of the Judicial Officers, pensioners & family pensioners etc. of the State of West Bengal, the following Special Teams are hereby formed for four Court Complexes under the Judgeship of Birbhum as per Point No. 5 of the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) formulated by the Hon'ble Court.

MEMBERS OF THE SPECIAL TEAM FOR SURI (SADAR) COURT COMPLEX:-

- (a) Ld. Additional District & Sessions Judge, 3rd Court, Suri.
- (b) Ld. Additional District & Sessions Judge, 2nd Court, Suri.
- (c) D.D.O.s of Civil & Criminal establishments at Suri Court Complex.
- (d) Accountant, District Judge's Court, Birbhum.
- (e) Accountant, Chief Judicial Magistrate's Court, Birbhum.

The following Special Sub-Teams for outlying stations (i.e., Bolpur, Rampurhat & Dubrajpur) of this Judgeship shall act under the aegis of the Special Team for Suri (Sadar) Court Complex.

1. MEMBERS OF THE SPECIAL SUB-TEAM FOR BOLPUR COURT COMPLEX:-

- (a) Ld. Additional District & Sessions Judge, Bolpur.
- (b) D.D.O.s of Civil & Criminal establishments at Bolpur Court Complex.

2. MEMBERS OF THE SPECIAL SUB-TEAM FOR RAMPURHAT COURT COMPLEX:-

- (a) Ld. Additional District & Sessions Judge, Rampurhat.
- (b) D.D.O.s of Civil & Criminal establishments at Rampurhat Court Complex.

3. MEMBERS OF THE SPECIAL SUB-TEAM FOR DUBRAJPUR COURT COMPLEX:-

- (a) Ld. Additional District & Sessions Judge, Fast Track Court, Dubrajpur.
- (b) D.D.O.s of Civil & Criminal establishments at Dubrajpur Court Complex.

The Senior Most Judicial Officers of the Special Teams for outlying stations (i.e., Bolpur, Rampurhat & Dubrajpur) shall maintain necessary liaison with Ld. Additional District & Sessions Judge, 3rd Court, Suri pertaining to implementation of the direction of the Hon'ble Court and Ld. Additional District & Sessions Judge, 3rd Court, Suri, who is being appointed as Nodal Officer of this Judgeship for making necessary communication with the Nodal Agencies & Nodal Officers of the Committee of the Hon'ble Court, shall, *in turn*, address such matters to the undersigned.

In terms of Point No. 7 of the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) formulated by the Hon'ble Court, the Members of the Special Teams shall have to ensure that the Judicial Officers, pensioners & family pensioners are not harassed in any form by any authority in the smooth release of their entitlements including salary, allowance & pensionary benefits.

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The Members of the Special Teams are also to take note of the direction contained in Point No. 8 of the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) formulated by the Hon'ble Court that if the arrear salary/retiral & pensionary benefits, of any serving Judicial Officer/pensioner/family pensioner has not been disbursed by their respective Heads of Department/DDO as per previous orders of the Hon'ble Apex Court, it shall be paid with immediate effect & to send a report of compliance to that effect to the Office of the undersigned for submission of the same to the Registrar General of the High Court at Calcutta for onward transmission before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.

In terms of Point No. 9 of the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) formulated by the Hon'ble Court, the District Judge, Birbhum shall be the Nodal Agency for the Judgeship of Birbhum for smooth disbursement of salary, allowances, arrears & other service & retiral benefits.

Ld. Chief Judicial Magistrate, Birbhum/Ld. Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate, Rampurhat/Bolpur are being the D.D.O.s of Criminal Courts/establishments considering their work-load at liberty to nominate any other Ld. Magistrate to act & represent on behalf of them in the aforesaid Special Team/Sub-Team.

The Special Team/Sub-Team shall also entrust staff posted in the concerned establishment (number be restricted to 2/3) having sufficient knowledge in accounts for preparation of the bills for disbursement of the arrears & current amounts subject to approval of the undersigned.

The afore-mentioned Committees shall take all sorts of endeavour so that the disbursement on account of arrears of salary, pension & allowances due & payable to the Judicial Officers, retired Judicial Officers & family pensioners is/are computed & paid **on or before 27.02.2024** and report compliance.

Copy of the Notification No. 1456-RG dated 02.02.2024 and subsequent Notification No. 1459/1 dated 02.02.2024 of the Hon'ble High Court, Calcutta are made part of this Order.

System Officer, Birbhum shall upload this Order in the website of Birbhum Judgeship so that retired Judicial Officers, family pensioners & all other concerned be informed.

Inform.

Sd/- Sudeshna De (Chatterjee)
DISTRICT JUDGE
BIRBHUM

Memo No. 302 / (46)/I-3/2024-E, Dated, Suri, the 6th February, 2024.

Copy forwarded for information and taking necessary action to:-

- 01- 04) The Addl. Dist. & Sessions Judge, 1st/2nd/3rd/4th Court, Suri, Birbhum.
- 05- 06) The Addl. Dist. & Sessions Judge, Rampurhat/ Bolpur, Birbhum.
- 07- 09) The Addl. Dist. & Sess. Judge, F.T.C, Suri /Rampurhat /Dubrajpur, Birbhum.
- 10) The Chief Judicial Magistrate, Birbhum, Suri.
- 11- 12) The Civil Judge (Sr. Divn.), Suri/ Bolpur, Birbhum.
- 13- 14) The Civil Judge (Sr. Divn.), 1st Court/ 2nd Court, Rampurhat, Birbhum.

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- 15- 16) The Civil Judge (Jr. Divn.), Sadar/ Additional Court, Suri, Birbhum.
17- 18) The Civil Judge (Jr. Divn.), 1st Court/ 2nd Court, Rampurhat, Birbhum.
19- 20) The Civil Judge (Jr. Divn.), 1st Court/ 2nd Court, Bolpur, Birbhum.
21) The Civil Judge (Jr. Divn.), Dubrajpur, Birbhum.
22- 24) The Addl. Chief Judicial Magistrate, Suri/ Rampurhat/ Bolpur, Birbhum.
25- 27) The Judicial Magistrate, 1st/ 2nd / 3rd Court, Suri, Birbhum.
28- 30) The Judicial Magistrate, 1st / 2nd / 3rd Court, Rampurhat, Birbhum.
31- 32) The Judicial Magistrate, 1st Court/ 2nd Court, Bolpur, Birbhum.
33) The Judicial Magistrate, Dubrajpur, Birbhum.
34) The Principal Magistrate, Juvenile Justice Board, Birbhum.
35) The Secretary, District Legal Services Authority, Birbhum.
36-39) The Judge-in-Charge, Accounts Department, Suri/Bolpur/Rampurhat/Dubrajpur.
40-43) The Judge-in-Charge, Nezarath Department, Suri/Bolpur/Rampurhat/Dubrajpur.
44) The System Officer, Birbhum.
45) Accountant, District Judge's Court, Birbhum.
46) Accountant, Chief Judicial Magistrate's Court, Birbhum.

JUDGE'S OFFICE AT SURI
THE 6TH FEBRUARY, 2024.

DISTRICT JUDGE
BIRBHUM

(Handwritten Signature)
06/02/24

IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA

NOTIFICATION

No.1456-RG.

Dated 2nd February, 2024.

Pursuant to the direction of the Hon`ble Supreme Court passed in W.P.(C) No-643 of 2015 (All India Judges' Association - Vs - Union of India and Others) on 04.01.2024, the Committee for Service Condition of the District Judiciary (in short CSCDJ) is constituted by the Hon`ble Chief Justice of the Calcutta High Court. The CSCDJ headed by The Hon`ble Justice Arijit Banerjee, Chairman formulates the following Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for proper implementation of the recommendation of the SNJPC in respect of pay, pension, allowances and all allied matters as approved by the Hon`ble Supreme Court including all the payment of arrears of salary and pension of the Judicial Officers, pensioners and family pensioners etc. of the State of West Bengal.

STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE (SOP)

1. The Judicial Department, Government of West Bengal with concurrence of Finance Department shall publish all the G.Os. /Notifications on or before 08.02.2024, if not already issued in respect of pay, pension, allowances and all allied matters to comply with the direction of the Hon`ble Apex Court and for proper implementation of the recommendation of the Second National Judicial Pay Commission (in short SNJPC) as approved by the Hon`ble Supreme Court.
2. The State Government and all the concerned authorities shall act in terms of the above direction passed by the Hon`ble Supreme Court on 04.01.2024 and earlier in W.P(C) 643 of 2015 and disbursement on account of arrears of salary, pension and all allowances due and payable to Judicial Officers, retired Judicial Officers and family pensioners shall be computed and paid on or before 29.02.2024 and compliance report be submitted to the Registrar General by the first week of March, 2024.
3. The Judicial Department, Government of West Bengal with concurrence of Finance Department to pass necessary direction by which the above bills can be passed in anticipation of allotment to comply with the above direction of the Hon`ble Court and sufficient funds may be released by the concerned department in order to disbursement of arrears of pay and allowances in compliance with the direction of the Hon`ble Apex Court.

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4. In the G.O/ Notification the effective dates, Major/Minor heads of Accounts from which the current and arrears claim/ allowances be drawn / reimbursed shall be mentioned.
5. All the District Judges and heads of office shall constitute a special team to prepare the above bills for disbursement of the arrears and current amounts to comply with the direction of the Hon'ble Apex Court. The District Judges must also appoint a Judicial Officer who can make necessary communication with the Nodal agencies and Nodal Officer of this Committee pertaining to implementation of the direction.
6. The Judicial Department, Government of West Bengal to supply all the detailed information of retired Judges and family pensioners to the Registrar General by 15.02.2024 to maintain a database with a process for periodical updating, at least on a quarterly basis and the same be uploaded in the website of the court. The Central Project Coordinator (CPC) of this Court shall provide all technical and IT related support to the Cell.
7. The Judicial Officers, pensioners and family pensioners shall not be harassed in any form by any authority in the smooth release of their entitlements including salary, allowance and pensionary benefits.
8. If the arrear salary/retiral & pensionary benefits, of any serving Judicial officer/pensioner/family pensioner has not been disbursed by their respective Heads of Department/DDO as per previous orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court, it shall be paid with immediate effect and compliance reports be submitted to the Registrar General of the High Court for onward submission before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.
9. For smooth disbursement of salary, allowances, arrears and other service and retiral benefits, the following Government Authorities are hereby declared as Nodal Agencies --
 - i) Registrar (Judicial Service), High Court at Calcutta;
 - ii) Principal Accountant General (A & E), West Bengal;
 - iii) Additional Chief Secretary, Finance Department, Govt. of West Bengal;
 - iv) Principal Secretary, Judicial Department, Govt. of West Bengal;
 - v) Principal Secretary, Health and Family Welfare Department, Govt. of West Bengal;
 - vi) Secretary, Public Works Department, Govt. of West Bengal;
 - vii) Deputy Registrar (Accounts) High Court at Calcutta, Representative of Registrar General, High Court at Calcutta
 - viii) Director of Treasury, Govt. of West Bengal;
 - ix) District Judges of all the Judgeships of West Bengal and Andaman & Nicobar Islands;
 - x) Heads of Department of all the Courts/Offices/Institutions of the Government where Judicial Officers are working or have worked on deputation.

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The above authorities shall see that the disbursement on account of arrears of salary, pension and allowances due and payable to Judicial Officers, retired Judicial Officers and family pensioners shall be computed and paid on or before 29.02.2024.

The office of the Registrar (Judicial Service) shall prepare the contact details of these Nodal Agencies at the District and State Level and upload in the website of the Court.

10. The Nodal Officer shall monitor and coordinate the functioning of all the Nodal Agencies.

11. The SOP be published in the website of the Court and the above SOP shall be communicated to all concerned for their information and further guidance.

By order of the Court,

Sd/-

Registrar General

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Ex-Officio Secretary of CSCDJ

REGISTRAR GENERAL
HIGH COURT, CALCUTTA



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[By e-Mail]

No. 1459/1 - RG.

Date: 02.02.2024.

To:

1. (i) **The Chief Judge, City Civil Court, Calcutta;**
(ii) **The Chief Judge, City Sessions Court, Calcutta;**
(iii) **The Chief Judge, Presidency Small Causes Court, Calcutta;**

2. All The District Judges:

(Darjeeling, Kalimpong, Jalpaiguri, Alipurduar, Cooch Behar, Uttar Dinajpur, Dakshin Dinajpur, Malda, Murshidabad, Purba Bardhaman, Paschim Bardhaman, Bankura, Birbhum, Purulia, Paschim Midnapore, Jhargram, Purba Midnapore, Howrah, Hooghly, Nadia, North 24 Parganas, South 24 Parganas & Andaman & Nicobar Islands);

Subject: **Ensuring compliance of the directions as resolved in the Meeting of the 'Hon'ble Committee for Service Conditions of the District Judiciary 16' -- constituted by the Hon'ble Chief Justice, High Court at Calcutta, in compliance with the direction as contained in the judgment dated 04.01.2024 passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in WP(C) No. 643 Of 2015 for overseeing the implementation of the recommendations of the SNJPC as approved by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, held on 01.02.2024.**

Sir/Madam,

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of the Minutes of the Meeting of the 'Hon'ble Committee for Service Conditions of the District Judiciary 16' held on 01.02.2024 containing recommendations of the Hon'ble Committee and the 'SOP' formulated in the matter, for your kind information and necessary compliance.

In doing so, I am to inform further that the next meeting of the said Committee is scheduled to be held on **February 6, 2024.**

The details of the Nodal Officer, nominated for the purpose, is also given below:

Nodal Officer: Shri Sunirmal Datta, Retired District Judge.
Phone No.: 9830505208.
Email Id: nocscdjcomm@gmail.com/sunirmaldatta63@gmail.com

Please treat the matter as extremely urgent.

Encl: As stated.

Yours faithfully,


[Chaitali Chatterjee (Das)]
Registrar General.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE 'COMMITTEE FOR SERVICE CONDITIONS OF THE DISTRICT JUDICIARY 16" -- CONSTITUTED BY THE HON'BLE CHIEF JUSTICE, HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA, IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE DIRECTION AS CONTAINED IN THE JUDGEMENT DATED 04.01.2024 PASSED BY THE HON'BLE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA IN WP(C) NO. 643 OF 2015 FOR OVERSEEING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SNJPC AS APPROVED BY THE HON'BLE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA, HELD ON 01.02.2024 AT 4.45 P.M. IN THE STUDY ROOM OF THE MAIN BUILDING, HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA.

:Present:

Hon'ble Justice Arijit Banerjee (Chairperson)

Hon'ble Justice Suvra Ghosh

Smt. Chaitali Chatterjee (Das), Registrar General, Ex-Officio Secretary

Shri Indranil Bhattacharyya, Legal Remembrancer, Government of West Bengal

Shri Sunirmal Dutta, Retd. District Judge, Nodal Officer.

Also Present:

Shri Biswarup Bandyopadhyay, Registrar (Judicial Service).

RESOLUTION

It is resolved after thorough discussion that:

1) The following officers of the High Court and State Government including the Secretaries of various Departments need to be co-opted in consonance with the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court passed in W.P (Civil) No. 643/2015:

- I) The Registrar (Judicial Service), High Court, AS, Calcutta;
- II) The Additional Chief Secretary, Finance Department, Govt. of West Bengal;
- III) The Principal Secretary, Hill & Home Affairs Department, Govt. of West Bengal;
- IV) The Principal Secretary, Judicial Department, Govt. of West Bengal;
- V) The Principal Secretary, Health and Family Welfare Department, Govt. of West Bengal;
- VI) The Secretary , Public Works Department, Govt. of West Bengal;
- VII) The Deputy Registrar (Accounts), High Court, AS, Calcutta, as representative of Registrar General.

It is further resolved that the Accountant General is also to be co-opted to ensure due implementation of the recommendations of the SNJPC as approved by the Hon'ble Apex Court.

2) The representatives of the Judicial Officers' Association or the Retired Judicial Officers' Association are to be invited as guest members for necessary consultation as observed by the Hon'ble Apex Court.

3) The draft SOP as prepared by the Nodal Officer is approved with necessary corrections and it is resolved that the same be forwarded to the Judicial Department and all the District Judges for necessary compliance within the stipulated period.

- 4) It is further resolved that all the District Judges must constitute a special team in terms of the direction of the Hon'ble Apex Court with the assistance of the staff (number may be restricted to 2/3) of the respective judgeships having sufficient knowledge in accounts in order to monitor the implementation of the directions of the Hon'ble Apex Court as passed in W.P (Civil) No. 643/2015. The District Judges must also appoint a Judicial Officer of any cadre to act as Nodal Officer who can make necessary communication with the Nodal Officer of this Committee pertaining to implementation of the direction.
- 5) The details of the Nodal Officer including the dedicated email address and mobile number is to be provided to all concerned. Registrar IT is directed to upload the same in the official website of High court and the District Courts.
- 6) The next meeting is fixed on February 6, 2024 .The Nodal Officer is directed to communicate to all concerned in order to secure their presence on the date of the meeting.
- 7) Let the SOP be made an integral part of this Resolution.

Sd/-

(Arijit Banerjee, J.)

[Chairperson]