Government of West Bengal Finance Department Nabanna, Howrah

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ORDER

A large section of the population, particularly the most vulnerable among them viz, Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes, elderly, widows, disabled, farmers, fishermen, poor folk artists etc have been badly affected by the outbreak of COVID -19.

In order to support these vulnerable sections of population, the State Government has already introduced a Comprehensive Social Security Scheme named, 'Jai Bangla'. All the existing social security schemes of the State Government including two new schemes, Toposilii Bandhu and Jai Jahar for 100 % coverage under the old age pension of all SCs and STs above the age of 60 years respectively have been brought under one scheme 'Jai Bangla'.

Under 'Jai Bangla', apart from the increase in the coverage of people under Old Age, Widow and Disability Pension, the pension amount has been increased to Rs 1000 per month. In order to give immediate relief to the beneficiaries of 'Jai Bangla' scheme, the State Government has already released the advance payment of monthly pension for the month of April & May, 2020 vide order no. 1381-F(Y) dated 23rd March 2020 and for June & July, 2020 vide order no. 1764-F(Y) dated 19th May 2020 and for August & September, 2020 vide order no. 2190-F(Y) dated 15th July 2020.

Now, considering the continuing hardship of the beneficiaries due this Covid-19 pandemic, the State Government has decided again to release payment in advance for the months of October & November 2020 at one time in October 2020. The amount will be credited directly into the Bank Accounts of the beneficiaries through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT).

It is, therefore, ordered that all the concerned Departments of the State Government shall release the pension for the months of October, 2020 and November, 2020 under 'Jai Bangla' in the first week of October 2020.

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