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Government of West Bengal
Disaster Management Department
Writers' Buildings, Kolkata-700001

No. 1561(19) F.R./4P-3/04

Dt. 19.8.2008

Post-mortem report to be submitted to the Govt. of West Bengal

From: Joint Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal

To: 1. District Magistrate (All)
2. Director of Disaster Management, 87A S.N. Banerjee Road, Kolkata -14

Sub: Waiving of Post-mortem for payment of Ex-Gratia in case due to snake bite

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As per the prevailing G.O. of this Department issued under No. 1773(40) F.R./RL(VIII/SP-2/90(Pt.I) Dt Kol-1 the 26th Aug 2002, post-mortem is mandatory for issuing sanction order of Ex-gratia Grant to the next of kins of the persons who had died due to natural causes. Death due to snake bite/ sun stroke was not included then.

Post-mortem report which is a sine qua non for grant has been reported to be a very time consuming process due to snake bite, as the government doctor who enters his opinion as the cause of death in the Post-mortem Report and the viscera report. This leads to inordinate delay which is the very purpose of payment of Ex-gratia Grant in those cases where the person of snake bite was admitted into a government health centre/hospital where the attending government doctor issued a medical certificate mentioning that snake bite caused the death.

Satisfaction of the District Magistrate is important in this case. Circumstantial evidence like the medical report as mentioned above may be relied upon in absence of post-mortem report. Accordingly I am directed to inform you that where all other documents as mentioned in this Department's above-mentioned G.O. have been furnished along with this medical report, the District Magistrates may sanction Ex-Gratia Grant without pressing for post-mortem report on the basis of the medical certificate.

issued by the government doctor of the government health centre/hospital where the person concerned was admitted and treated before expiry.

Yours faithfully,

(Joint Secretary)

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- 1. Commissioner, Presidency/Burdwan/Jalpaiguri Division
- 2. Private Secretary to the Minister-in-Charge, Dept. of Disaster Management, Govt. of West Bengal; Writers's Buildings, Kolkata-01;
- Personal Secretary to the Principal Secretary, Dept. of Disaster Management, Writers's Buildings, Kolkata-01.

(Joint Secretary)

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Joint Secretary
Dated: 19/08/08