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No. 10725-F

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NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the power conferred by the proviso to article 309 of the Constitution of India, the Governor is pleased hereby to make the following rules, namely—

Rules

1. Short title and commencement—

(a) These rules may be called the West Bengal Services (Compulsory Requirement of Knowledge in Bengali for Recruitment to any post or Service) Rules, 2001.

(b) They shall come into force with effect from the 13th November, 2002.

2. Compulsory requirement of knowledge in Bengali for recruitment to any post or service—Notwithstanding anything contained in any rules regulating the recruitment to any post of service under the State Government, the ability to read, write and speak in Bengali shall be an essential qualification for recruitment to any post or service under the State Government.

Provided that the said compulsory requirement of knowledge in Bengali shall not be applicable to the candidates from the hill areas of the District of Darjeeling.

By order of the Governor,
Sd/- S. Mitra
Special Secretary to the
Government of West Bengal
Finance Department