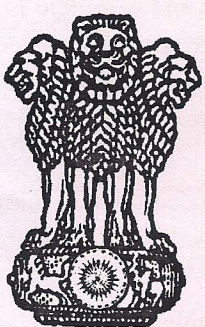


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PART I—Orders and Notifications by the Governor of West Bengal, the High Court, Government Treasury, etc.

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
Higher Education Department
Bikash Bhaban, Salt Lake City, Kolkata-700 091

NOTIFICATION

No. 07-Edn (U)/1U-89/13.— dated. 2nd January, 2014.— In exercise of the power conferred by sub-section (1) of section 8 of the West Bengal State Higher Educational Institutions (Reservation in Admission) Act, 2013, (West Ben Act X of 2013), the Governor is hereby pleased to make the following rules, namely:

Rules

Short title,
application &
commencement

1. (1) These rules may be called the West Bengal State Higher Educational Institutions (Reservation in Admission) Rules, 2013.
- (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the *Official Gazette*.

Definitions

2. (1) In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires,—
 - (a) "Act" means the West Bengal State Higher Educational Institutions (Reservation in Admission) Act, 2013;
 - (b) "Commissioner of Reservation" means the Commissioner for Reservation appointed under section 6A of the West Bengal Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Reservation of Vacancies in Services and Posts) Act, 1976;
 - (c) "District Commissioner for Reservation" means the District Commissioner for Reservation as appointed under Section 6B of the West Bengal Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes (Reservation of vacancies in Services and Posts) Act, 1976;
 - (d) "District Magistrate" means the District Magistrate of the district and includes Additional District Magistrate for the purpose of these rules;

- (e) "de-reservation" means the de-reservation of seats reserved for Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes/Other Backward Classes, Category -A and Other Backward Classes, Category -B candidates;
- (f) "Joint Commissioner for Reservation and ex-officio Joint Secretary" means the Joint Commissioner for Reservation and ex-officio Joint Secretary as appointed under Section 6A of the West Bengal Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes (Reservation of Vacancies in Services and Posts) Act, 1976;
- (g) "self-financing course" means the course conducted by a college out of its own fund;
- (h) "schedule" means the schedule appended to these rules;
- (i) "section" means the section of the Act;
- (j) "University" means a University established and incorporated by an Act of State Legislature and aided fully or partly out of the State's fund;

(2) Any words or expressions used but not otherwise defined in these rules shall have the same meaning as defined or used under the Act.

Application of the reservation norms.

3. The reservation norms shall apply on and from the Academic Session 2014-15, to:—

- (a) all Universities, established and incorporated by an Act of the State's Legislature and aided fully or partly out of the State's fund; and
- (b) all Government colleges established or administered by the State Government whether directly or indirectly, and affiliated to a University; and
- (c) all colleges receiving aid from the State Government in any form or in any manner, whether fully or partly; and
- (d) all other institutions imparting education or training or research or other academic activities beyond 10+2 level and receiving aid from the State Government in any form or in any manner, whether fully or partly.

Preparation of Detailed Project Report and maintenance of register of students and other formalities

4. (1) In order to implement the total percentage of reservation in respect of the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes, the Other Backward Classes Category 'A' and the Other Backward Classes Category 'B'; (as mandated by the Act) every Higher Educational Institution selecting candidates for all streams and courses run by that Institution shall, with the approval of the appropriate authority, wherever required, fix up the total number of seats to be increased in each course in such a manner that the number of unreserved seats is not less than the seats available immediately preceding the date of the Act coming into force.

Explanation 1:— for example, in a Higher Educational Institution there were thirty (30) seats in Physics (Honors) course on the date of commencement of the Act. Out of 30 seats, 7 seats were reserved for SC (22% of 30), 2 seats were reserved for ST (6% of 30) and 21 seats were for unreserved category. For the purpose of implementing the provisions of the Act and these rules, these 21 seats of unreserved category shall not be reduced in any manner.

Explanation 2:— to give effect to the provisions of the Act, the Higher Educational Institution referred to under explanation 1 will be required to increase its seats by at least eight (8) seats in Physics Honors for that particular academic year. Hence, the reservation of seats would be as follows:

- (a) Eight (8) seats shall be reserved for SC (22% of 38),
- (b) Two (2) seats shall be reserved for ST (6% of 38),
- (c) Four (4) seats shall be reserved for OBC-A (10% of 38),
- (d) Three (3) seats shall be reserved for OBC-B (7% of 38),
- (e) And Twenty One (21) seats shall remain unreserved for Unreserved Categories.

- (2) Keeping in view that the total number of increase of seats to be done in terms of the sub-rule (1), each Higher Educational Institution shall fix up year wise target of increase of seats in such a manner that the total mandatory increase of seats is achieved within a maximum period of six years beginning with the academic session 2014-15 and then shall continue in the same manner.
- (3) Once the target of increase of seats is fixed, every Higher Educational Institution shall, submit to the State Government, the Detailed Project Report (DPR) in the format as may be specified.
- (4) The detailed project report shall contain, interalia, the following:—
- details of the existing number of students including students belonging to the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes,
 - details of the Governing Body of the College,
 - details of courses offered and annual intake in each course including Honors and Post Graduate courses, if any,
 - details of specialized courses or programmes,
 - details of existing teaching and non-teaching posts substantiated with appropriate roster and non-teaching staff-pattern,
 - details of existing infrastructures including the land, building and other equipments,
 - details of proposed increase in the infrastructure and equipments including Laboratory, Library etc.,
 - details of proposed increase in the teaching and Non-teaching posts,
 - details of the requirement of funds for catering to the creation of additional seats as per staff pattern as may be specified by the State Government from time to time.
- (5) The proposal regarding increase in the infrastructure including Classroom, Laboratory, Library, and the increase of teaching and non-teaching post shall be commensurate with the actual increase of seats in various courses.

Manner of re-distribution of seats

5. (1) In case of a Higher Educational Institution where infrastructure expansion is not possible for unavoidable reasons or otherwise, the Higher Educational Institution may apply to the State Government with reasons, to re-distribute its additional quota of reserved seats to other Higher Educational Institutions.

- (2) The State Government, taking into consideration the facts of the case, may at its discretion pass an order allowing re-distribution of such additional seats to other Higher Educational Institution.

Procedure for preparation of list of candidates for admission

6. (1) For filling up of the seats for admission in a particular academic session as fixed in terms of sub rule (2) of rule 4 the following procedure shall be followed :—

- a general merit list based exclusively on merit as reflected in the results of the relevant examination or selection test irrespective of castes, tribes or classes shall be prepared separately for each course, stream or subject in each Higher Educational Institution to fill up the unreserved seats. Separate merit lists of the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, Other Backward Class, Category 'A' and the Other Backward Class, Category 'B' candidates shall be prepared for each course/stream/subject in each higher educational institution to fill up the seats reserved for these respective categories. The Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes, the Other Backward Class, Category -A and the Other Backward Class, Category -B candidates who have been placed in the general merit list to fill up unreserved seats shall not be taken into account in the reserved list for the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes, the Other Backward Class, Category-A and the Other Backward Class, Category-B candidates, as the case may be;
- simultaneously, the SC/ST/OBC candidates who have found place in the general merit list on the basis of their merit shall also be placed in the list of reserved seats for SC/ST/OBC as per their inter se merit, and

