

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL

Department of Health and Family Welfare
P.H.P. Branch

No. HF/O/PHP/312/SW/O/311-01/03

Dated, Kolkata, the 22nd May, 2003.

From : The Joint Secretary to the Government of West Bengal.

ORDER

Reports are being received for some time past to the State Government in the department of Health and Family Welfare regarding difficulties faced by the existing Medical Board, constituted in terms of the No. H/GA/4339/W-11/89, dt. 05.10.89, for examination of physically handicapped persons due to non-availability of specialist Medical Officers in the district and sub-divisional Hospitals.

In view of the position stated hereinabove, it has been decided by the Government for providing necessary authorisation to the Superintendent of a district/sub-divisional hospital, who is also the Chairman of the Medical Board for the said purpose, to co-opt any specialist private practitioner in the respective medical discipline such as psychiatry, psychology, E.N.T., Orthopaedics, Neurology, Ophthalmology from the local area, provided, no Government specialist in the said medical disciplines are available in the district or surrounding districts.

In pursuance of the above decision and in modification of the No. H/GA/4339/W-11/89, dt. 05.10.89, the undersigned is directed by order of the Governor to say that the Chairman of a Medical Board in the districts or sub-divisions is hereby authorised to co-opt any specialist Private Practitioner in the respective medical discipline of Psychiatry, psychology, E.N.T., Orthopaedics, Neurology, Ophtalmology from the local area and reconstitute the Medical Board for examination of the physically handicapped persons accordingly, provided Government specialist in the said medical disciplines are not available in the district or surrounding districts.

The undersigned is directed further to say that the Chairman of a Medical Board for the purpose as aforesaid is also authorised to co-opt any specialist Medical Officer in any of the said Medical discipline from the nearest teaching hospital with prior approval of the Director of Medical Education, West Bengal in the event of non-availability of a specialist private practitioner in the local area for the purpose of reconstitution of the said Medical Board.

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Joint Secretary.