

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
Panchayats & Rural Development Department
63, N. S. Road, Kolkata - 700 001.

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ORDER

With the inclusion of Small and Marginal Farmers in the list of beneficiaries eligible for benefits of land development, irrigation and horticulture plantation on their own land, the scope of such activities under NREGA has substantially been increased. In order to ensure better management of such work and timely measurement of work done, the volume of which is likely to be increased manifold, it has been decided to entrust SHGs with the task of supervision and taking measurement of such works on the terms and conditions as detailed below :

1. The cluster SHG/SHGs who have minimum class X pass members should be selected for the purpose and only those class X pass members should be engaged for supervision and taking measurement of such works after proper training with special reference of measurement of works to be imparted at block level.
2. The SHGs members so engaged will be paid a semi-skilled wage for supervision and taking measurement of such work/works involving 50 labourers. Such payment of wages may be made through the Bank account of the SHG concerned. The measurement taken by such SHG members will be the final one on the basis of which Muster Roll will be prepared and wage payment will be made.
3. Only earthworks e.g. construction of small tank generally dug within the field (measuring less than 0.2 acre) Hapa, Dug Well, Horticulture Plantation on the land of such beneficiaries which will be of fixed size and can be undertaken on the basis of fixed estimate prepared for the purpose should be entrusted to the SHG members for supervision and taking measurement thereof as detailed above.
4. In case, such beneficiaries are members of SHG, the works may be executed and payment of wages made through SHGs themselves in compliance with the instructions already issued vide this office No.620-NREGA dated 30.1.2009.

In some GPs, NREGA works are being badly hampered due to non-performance of GPs and in some cases due to prolonged absence of Prodhans for various reasons. In such cases, the Programme Officer in consultation with the Savapati, Panchayat Samity concerned, will take up NREGA works in those GPs and execute the same with the help of the Executive Assistant and other GP staff and make all payment including wage payment from the block level. The GP employees entrusted with such works will be directly accountable to the Programme Officer for this purpose.

This order will take immediate effect.

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