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To

Mr Vivek Kumar,

Principal Secretary,

Department of Higher Education,

Government of West Bengal,

Bikash Bhavan, Salt Lake

Kolkata- 700091.

Respected Sir,

We, on behalf of our Retired and Life Member Teacher Pensioners of the Colleges and the Universities of West Bengal, like to bring to your notice that the West Bengal Government (vide their Finance Department notification No. 224-F (Pen) dt. 03-06-2016) sanctioned Interim Relief of 8% of their Basic Pension to all pensioners of West Bengal where in it was stated that those pensioners drawing pension through treasuries of West Bengal will be paid this Interim Relief without any authority from the office of the Accountant General, West Bengal. On the otherhand, A.G., West Bengal will issue authority to Public Sector Banks who disburse pension to the pensioners. As a result, almost all the treasuries of West Bengal paid this Interim Relief to all pensioners including college teacher pensioners (both Government and non Government). But the A.G., West Bengal issued a circular to pay this Interim Relief to the pensioners of West Bengal excepting the college teachers who were borne in the UGC Scale of Pay. When we objected to this interpretation, they sought a clarification from the Finance Department whether college teacher pensioners are entitled to this Interim Relief or not (vide their letter No. Pen co-ordn/93/Vol.VI/354 dt. 22.08.2016). But as we came to know from the A.G. office, no answer from the Finance Department has yet been received. As a result the duality in respect of payment of Interim Relief continues. Similarly, the university authorities are not also paying this Interim Relief to the university teacher pensioners.

We, therefore, request you to intervene in this matter and to see that all the university and college teacher pensioners get this benefit of Interim Relief at the earliest.

Thank you,

Yours sincerely,



(Srutinath Praharaj)

General Secretary,

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