NOTE SHEET

File No.3005/25/5/2017

The West Bengal Human Rights Commission took cognizance on a news item of Ei Samay entitled "মেয়াদ ফুরোলেই মোড়ক বদল". This news item originated from a press briefing by Shri Vishal Garg, IPS, Addl. Commissioner of Police, Kolkata who giving details of action taken by Drug Controller and Police about a racket of selling expired drugs. He also stated police action taken by registering cases and investigating the same. The news item further quoted from Police sources details of the place and modus–operandi of the racketeers. It is very unfortunate that the news reporter did not state the action of drug and police administration in unearthing such a racket on their own initiative and on the contrary giving an impression that the administration sleeping over the entire episode by giving an indifferent headline to the news item. Such sensational reporting should be condemned.

Reports received from Drugs Control and police authorities clearly indicate that a number of cases have been started which have been charge sheeted and now sub judice. The Directorate of Drugs Control vide his letter No.DDC-SECY/4-2017/11/WBHRC-ANSW dt.13th April, 2017 has given point wise action taken and preventive measures to stop this menace.

I am of the confirmed view that the Drugs Control authorities and the police have taken very appropriate and strong measures at their own initiative to detect and prevent such offences which should be appreciated. In view of above matter be filed.

Sd/-

(N. Mukherjee) Member 20/7/2021

The order be uploaded by the Ld. Registrar.

Sd/-

(Justice Girish Chandra Gupta) Chairman 26/7/2021