

WEST BENGAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
PURTA BHAVAN, SALT LAKE, KOLKATA-91

File No. 794/WBHRC/COM/2014-15

Smt. Anjali Hazra & Others, Petitioners.

On 27.11.2014 the Commission taking cognizance of a petition of complaint filed by Trained Dai's of Murshidabad alleging non-payment of remuneration directed that the matter be referred to Chief Medical Officer of Health, Murshidabad for necessary action. A report was also called for by the Commission.

By a letter dated 23.11.2015, the Chief Medical Officer of Health, Murshidabad reported to the Commission that " it is brought to your kind notice that the fund for the above purpose and period has not been received by this office though the same fund for the period April 2013 to June 2013 vide Memo No.,12(sanction) HF/P/P&B/FW/35-01/2010 dated 25.04.2013 and for the period from January 2014 to March 2014 vide Memo No. 650(sanction) HF/P/P&B/FW?35-01/2010 Dated 17.02.2014 have been received by this office and so allotted(Copy enclosed).

In this connection, it may for your kind honour that the demand of fund for the above cited subject placed before Joint Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal, Swasthya Bhavan, Kolkata-91(Copy enclosed). The fund so demanded may be sub-allotted immediately to all the Health Institution under the control of office of the undersigned on receiving the same".

The matter was discussed in the Full Commission and the Commission was pleased to direct as follows:-

" It appears that Jt. Secy, FW Branch, Health Deptt has not allotted the funds for period July to Dec. 2013 despite correspondence with him byCMOH, Murshidabad. Matter be brought to notice of 'Pr. Secy, Health & FW by name (Shri R S Shukla, IAS) to immediately allot requisite funds to clear dues for the said period as the trained Dais are lifeline for health care in WB's rural area. Also it is suggested that the honorarium be increased from Rs. 450/- p.m. to Rs. 1000/- p.m. as the current remuneration is very low. Copies of all correspondence including petition be enclosed to Pr. Secy, Health & FW".

Sd/-
Registrar
West Bengal Human Rights Commission