Government of West Bengal
Finance Department
<u>Writers' Buildings, Kolkata-700 001</u>.

June 8, 2011.

No.FS-130/2011

The Addl. Chief Secretary/
Principal Secretary/Secretary,

.... Department,

<u>Government of West Bengal</u>.

Sub : Payment of salary of the Government employees through Bank
Account.

Sir/Madam,

1.   The West Bengal Government's e-Payment of Salary (ePS) Scheme, 2009 had been introduced in terms of Notification No.8301-F dated August 26, 2009. I am directed to inform you that the Government has decided that payment of monthly salary of all the employees of various departments/directorates/regional offices of the State Government will be made compulsory through bank accounts of the employees concerned.

2.   In this connection, I would request you to make necessary arrangement for implementation of Part A of the scheme, as mentioned in the Notification No.8301-F dated August 26, 2009, for all categories of the employees of their regular establishments. It is requested that steps may kindly be initiated so that the salary for all the employees are paid through credit to their bank accounts, either through Electronic Credit System (ECS) or by way of payment being credited through a designated bank in the employee accounts, latest for the salary month of September, 2011. A brief report of the department concerned on the steps initiated may kindly be sent by end of July, 2011.

3.   In this connection, it may also be noted that the Finance Department has already taken up the matter with the Reserve Bank of India for improvement of the scheme and necessary order in this regard will be issued in consultation with the Reserve Bank of India and other nationalized banks in due course. All the concerned banks are also being requested to extend necessary cooperation in opening salary accounts in favour of the employees with zero balance.

The matter is <u>**extremely urgent**</u>. Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

(C.M. Bachhawat)