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Sub. : Service condition of Health Officers appointed in different Urban Local Bodies in West Bengal.

Placed below is the copy of communication bearing no. nil dt. 19.08.2005 from the West Bengal Municipal Health Officers' Association to the Project Director, CMU, KUSP which has been endorsed to the undersigned for examination.

Apropos GO No. 34(3)/C-9/M2A-62/93 dt. 6th October, 1993, sixty (60) temporary posts of Health Officers had been made permanent where no scale of pay was attached. In 1994, 60 Health Officers had been appointed on contractual basis by Government of West Bengal against the above mentioned permanent posts with a consolidated pay of Rs. 4,000/- p.m. each, subsequently enhanced to Rs. 5,000/- p.m. and Rs. 8,000/- p.m. with effect from 01.04.1998 and 01.06.2004 respectively.

The Health Officers of the ULBs are responsible for execution of all public health measures; prevention and control of communicable diseases and health hazards; registrar of Birth and Death; planning, implementation, monitoring & supervision of the different community based health programmes like CUDP III, IPP-VIII, European Commission supported project, KUSP; implementation of all National Health Programmes like TB, Leprosy, Filaria, HIV AIDS, Malaria etc.; preparation and submission of various reports and returns to different Depts. and so on. They are also to maintain close liaison with different Government and Non-Government Organisation for proper implementation of health care services.

Out of 126 ULBs in West Bengal, 63 ULBs are already been covered with community based primary health care services. The remaining 63 ULBs do not have any set-up for delivery of primary health care services till date. Of late Government of West Bengal is considering to introduce community based primary health care services more or less similar to IPP-VIII in those uncovered 63 ULBs.

It will be seen that with the march of time, horizon of work of the Health Officers is increasing day by day. It may be mentioned here that entry level scale of pay of any doctor in WB Health Service / Kolkata & Howrah Municipal Corporation is Rs. 8,000/--275/- - 13,500/- p.m. According to 74th Amendment of the constitution, the obligatory function of the ULB is to cater service delivery in the sphere of public health & sanitation. To get optimal output with regard to Urban Primary Health Care including implementation of National Health Programmes, a permanent health structure at ULB level and taking care of human resources are considered very essential.

Under the circumstances stated above, the representation of the Municipal Health Officers dt. 19.08.2005 may be considered sympathetically and favourably.

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Secretary M.A. Deft

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