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**GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL**  
**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**  
**ESTAB. (DTE.) BRANCH**  
**WRITERS' BUILDINGS, KOLKATA -700 001**

No. 583-Estab (Dte.)/AG/O/12A-01/2023 (Pt.-I)

Dated, Kolkata the 07<sup>th</sup> March, 2024

**NOTIFICATION**

In exercise of the power conferred by the proviso to Article 309 of the Constitution of India and in partial modification of Notification No. 9997-Estab (Dte.) dated 30.10.1980 of the Department of Agriculture, Government of West Bengal, so far as it relates to recruitment to the post of "Director of Agriculture", the Governor is pleased hereby to make the following rules regulating recruitment to the post of "DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE", the apex post of Directorate of Agriculture, Government of West Bengal:—

- Name of the Post:** – DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE.
- Mode of Recruitment:**— By promotion from the posts of combined cadre of Additional Directors of Agriculture namely (i) Additional Director of Agriculture (General), Government of West Bengal, (ii) Additional Director of Agriculture (Special), Government of West Bengal, (iii) Additional Director of Agriculture (Commercial Crops), (iv) Additional Director of Agriculture (North Bengal Region), (v) Project Coordinator & Ex-Officio Additional Director of Agriculture, West Bengal and (vi) Additional Director of Agriculture (Research), Government of West Bengal.
- Method of recruitment:** By selection from amongst the Additional Directors of Agriculture in the ratio of 1:5 and on the basis of Seniority-cum-Merit and with the recommendation of the Departmental Promotion Committee:  
Provided that a **Departmental Promotion Committee** shall be constituted for such selection comprising Head of the Department of Agriculture and two other senior most Officers of the same Department not below the rank of Special Secretary.
- Eligibility:**—
  - Seniority will be counted on the basis of date of joining in the services under Agriculture Department, Government of West Bengal.

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- ii) Must secure a minimum average appraisal score 8.01 out of 10 of the previous five (05) years in service and absolutely cleared from vigilance point of view including up-to-date submission of declaration of assets.
  - iii) At least six (06) months of residual service.

This has approval of the Cabinet vide Cabinet Sectt. U/O No. CAB (D)-946 dated 06.03.2024 and with concurrence of Finance Department vide U.O. No. Group-P2/2023-2024/0804 U.O. Date 29/11/2023 and Public Service Commission, West Bengal Vide Memo No. 91 PSC (S&R)/IR-34/68 dated 3.11.2023.

By order of the Governor,

ONKAR SINGH MEENA  
*Principal Secretary to the Government of West Bengal*

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No. 587-Estab (Dte.)/AG/O/12A-01/2023 (Pt.-I)

Dated, Kolkata the 07<sup>th</sup> March, 2024

**NOTIFICATION**

In reference to the modified rules pertaining to the recruitment to the post of Director of Agriculture issued vide Notification No. 583-Estab (Dte.)/AG/O/12A-01/2023 (Pt.-I) dated 07.03.2024; the Governor is hereby pleased to allow Pay Level-24 as per ROPA-2019 for the post of Director of Agriculture which was allowed for the post of erstwhile Director of Agriculture & Ex-Officio Secretary.

2. In terms of Personnel and Administrative Reforms Department's views and concurrence, this is further stated that after appointment to the post of Director of Agriculture in accordance to above stated modified rules; the Department of Agriculture will submit proposal to the Personnel and Administrative Reforms Department for conferment of Ex-Officio Secretary status to the post of Director of Agriculture.
3. The posts of the combined cadre of Additional Directors of Agriculture as referred in the modified Recruitment Rules to the post of Director of Agriculture are guided by the rules notified by this Department's Notification No. 2469-Estab.(Dte)/10R-2/2001 dated 17th July, 2003 and subsequent amendment therein.

This has approval of the Cabinet vide Cabinet Sectt. U/O No. CAB (D)-946 dated 06.03.2024 and with concurrence of Finance Department vide U.O. No. Group-P2/2023-2024/0804/U.O. Date 29/11/2023 and Public Service Commission, West Bengal Vide Memo No. 91 PSC (S&R)/1R-34/68 dated 3.11.2023.

All concerned are informed accordingly.

By order of the Governor,

ONKAR SINGH MEENA

*Principal Secretary to the Government of West Bengal*