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PART I—Orders and Notifications by the Governor of West Bengal, the High Court, Government Treasury, etc.

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
LABOUR DEPARTMENT
L.W. BRANCH

No. Labr./255/(LC-LW)
LW/5M-112/16

Kolkata, the 3rd April, 2017

AMENDMENT

The Government of India enacted the Unorganised Workers' Social Security Act, 2008 on 30.12.2008. In terms of Sub-Section (1) of Section 6 of the said Act, the Government of West Bengal in the Labour Department constituted the West Bengal State Social Security Board vide Notification No. 1025-IR dated 06.11.2009.

2. The Board recommended for adoption of a scheme for the social security of the transport workers of the State and accordingly, the scheme under the name of **West Bengal Transport Workers' Social Security Scheme, 2010** was introduced under Labour Department, IR Branch Resolution No. 907-IR/Eil/1-A-4/110 dated 13th August 2010 read with IR Branch Notification No. 183-IR/Eil/1-A-01/10 dated 16th February 2015.

3. The said Scheme provides various social security benefits to the Transport workers like Pension, Family pension, Benefits due to normal death and accidental death, Hospitalisation benefit, Cashless Medical benefit as per the model of RSBY, benefits due to surgical operation, Maternity benefit and Financial Assistance for education of children of beneficiaries etc.

4. The matter regarding converging of social security benefits excepting the Pension, Cashless Medical benefit and Surgical Operation available to the Transport workers into a single and consolidated social security scheme was under active consideration of the Government for sometime past.

5. Now, after careful consideration of the matter and in exercise of power conferred under clause 24 of the West Bengal Transport Workers Social Security Scheme, 2010, the Governor is hereby pleased to revise the social security benefits available to the Transport workers to the extent as mentioned below:

| Sl. No. | Name of the benefit | Eligibility | Amount (in Rs.) |
|---------|---------------------|--|--|
| 1. | Pension | On attaining the age of 60 years and the beneficiary has remained under the scheme for a continuous period of not less than five years | @1500/- only p.m. with an increase of Rs 10/- only for each completed year of enrolment as a beneficiary in excess of five years |

| Sl. No. | Name of the benefit | Eligibility | Amount (in Rs.) |
|---------|---------------------|---|--|
| 2. | Family pension | | @50% of the amount last drawn by the beneficiary |
| 3. | Medical Benefit | Cashless medical benefits in case of auto and taxi drivers only | Maximum Rs. 30,000/- only, based on Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana (RSBY) Model |
| | | In case of surgical operation | Maximum Rs. 1,00,000/- only for self and Rs. 1,50,000/- only for family members including self per annum |

6. All other provisions of the existing scheme except relating to benefits under Para-5 are repealed.

7. This revised scheme will be effective from 1st April 2017.

8. This notification is issued with concurrence of the Finance Department vide their U.O No. Group L/2016-2017 dated 21.03.2017.

By order of the Governor,

GOPAL KRISHNA

Additional Chief Secretary to the Government of West Bengal.