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NOTIFICATION

No. 616-L.—22nd April, 2008.—The following Act of the West Bengal Legislature, having been assented to by the Governor, is hereby published for general information:—

## West Bengal Act X of 2008

### THE WEST BENGAL TOWN AND COUNTRY (PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT) (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2008.

[Passed by the West Bengal Legislature.]

[Assent of the Governor was first published in the *Kolkata Gazette, Extraordinary*,  
of the 23rd April, 2008.]

*An Act to amend the West Bengal Town and Country (Planning and Development) Act, 1979.*

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the West Bengal Town and Country (Planning and Development) Act, 1979, for the purposes and in the manner hereinafter appearing;

West Ben. Act XIII of 1979.

It is hereby enacted in the Fifty-ninth Year of the Republic of India, by the Legislature of West Bengal, as follows:—

Short title and commencement.

1. (1) This Act may be called the West Bengal Town and Country (Planning and Development) (Amendment) Act, 2008.

(2) It shall come into force on such date as the State Government may, by notification in the *Official Gazette*, appoint.

*The West Bengal Town and Country (Planning and Development) (Amendment) Act, 2008.*

*(Sections 2-4.)*

Amendment of  
section 2 of West  
Beng. Act XIII of  
1979.

2. In section 2 of the West Bengal Town and Country (Planning and Development) Act, 1979 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), after clause (24), the following clause shall be inserted:—

‘(25) “township” means a clearly delineated planned development project within a planning area having requisite basic urban-infrastructure facilities and amenities and conforming to development parameters as may be prescribed:

Provided that such township may be,—

- (i) residential township for predominantly residential purpose;
- (ii) special category of township like Institutional, Industrial or such others township as the State Government may notify;
- (iii) integrated township.’.

Amendment of  
section 19.

3. In sub-section (1) of section 19 of the principal Act,—

(1) for clause (a), the following clauses shall be substituted:—

“(a) the Chief Minister of the State of West Bengal or any person nominated by him shall be the Chairman:

Provided that when there is no Council of Minister functioning in the State of West Bengal, the State Government shall nominate such person, as it may think fit, to be the Chairman of the Kolkata Metropolitan Development Authority;

(aa) one of the members of the Kolkata Metropolitan Development Authority, nominated by the Chief Minister of the State of West Bengal, shall be the Vice-Chairman;”;

(2) in clause (d),—

(a) for the words “not more than five persons”, the words “not more than eight persons” shall be substituted;

(b) in sub-clause (ii), for the words “Howrah Municipal Corporation, and”, the words “Howrah Municipal Corporation,” shall be substituted;

(c) for sub-clause (iii), the following sub-clauses shall be substituted:—

“(iii) three shall be Councillors of any Municipality within the Kolkata Metropolitan Area,

(iv) two shall be the members of any *Panchayat Samiti* or *Zilla Parishad* within the Kolkata Metropolitan Area.”.

Amendment of  
section 46.

4. In section 46 of the principal Act, in sub-section (1), for the words “carry out any development on any land”, the words “carry out any development or township project on any land” shall be substituted.

By order of the Governor,

ANINDYA BHATTACHARYYA,  
Secy.-in-charge to the Govt. of West Bengal,  
Law Department.