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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

**Home & Hill Affairs Department
Police Establishment Branch
Nabanna, 325, Sarat Chatterjee Road,
Mandirtala, Shibpur, Howrah-711102**

No. 2400-PL/PB/14M-56/16(Pt.-1)

Date: 27.09.2024

NOTIFICATION

Whereas the West Bengal Police Directorate submitted a proposal to merge the existing Directorate of Economic Offences under the Home & Hill Affairs Department, West Bengal with the West Bengal Police Directorate for formation of a separate **Economic Offences Wing** under West Bengal Police Directorate for dealing with economic offences more professionally and effectively;

Now, therefore, after careful consideration of the matter, the Governor has been pleased to accord approval for formation of a separate **Economic Offences Wing** under West Bengal Police Directorate and to direct that the existing Directorate of Economic Offences, West Bengal will be merged with the West Bengal Police Directorate and a separate and new investigating unit to be named as **Economic Offences Wing, West Bengal** will be created under the administrative control of West Bengal Police Directorate.

The **Economic Offences Wing, West Bengal** shall be headed by a Director designated as the Director of Economic Offences, West Bengal in the rank of Director General & Inspector General of Police, West Bengal/Additional Director General & Inspector General of Police, West Bengal and to be appointed by the State Government.

The Director of Economic Offences, West Bengal is declared as the Competent Authority under section 8(1) of the West Bengal Protection of Interest of Depositors in Financial Establishments (WBPIDFE) Act, 2013. The Director of Economic Offences, West Bengal shall exercise all the powers and perform all the duties as may be required by or under the aforesaid Act and shall have jurisdiction over the entire State of West Bengal. The **Economic Offences Wing, West Bengal** will enquire and investigate all offences under the purview of economic offences under various statutes, in addition to the offences under WBPIDFE Act, 2013.

The Governor has been pleased to direct that the office, infrastructure and manpower under the existing Directorate of Economic Offences, West Bengal will be merged with the **Economic Offences Wing, West Bengal** under West Bengal Police Directorate.

This notification shall come into force with effect from the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

By order of the Governor,

NANDINI CHAKRAVORTY
Home Secretary to the Government of West Bengal