

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
Department of Urban Development & Municipal Affairs
"Nagarayan",
DF-8, Sector-I, Salt Lake, Kolkata : 700 064

No. 870 / MA/O/C-4/1M-31/2015(Pt-V)

Dated, Kolkata the 25th.August, 2022

ORDER

WHEREAS the need of providing various services in Municipal areas through the Online mode in view of the Ease of Doing Business (EoDB) project has been under active consideration of the State Government for some time past;

AND WHEREAS, as per the decision taken by the State Government at a high level meeting on 16th.July 2021 , chaired by Chief Secretary, Govt of West Bengal , use of **Online Single Window System for the issuance of Construction Permits through Common Application Form (CAF)** (hereinafter referred to as **SWS-OBPAS**)(created as per the provisions of the WB Municipal Building Rules,2007) , has been made mandatory in the areas of Siliguri Municipal Corporation, Asansol Municipal Corporation, Durgapur Municipal Corporation, Chandernagore Municipal Corporation , Bidhannagar Municipal Corporation, Nabadiganta Industrial Township Authority, Golden City Industrial Township Authority , Sector-VI Industrial Township Authority and in the areas of all the Municipalities and Notified Area Authorities of Category **A, B & C** with effect from **16th.August,2021**, in terms of the Notification no. **976/MA/O/C-4/1M-31/2015(Pt-IV) dated 2nd.August,2021** of this Department , and later on it was made mandatory to the Municipalities and Notified Area Authorities of category **D&E w.e.f. 16th.November , 2021** , in terms of this Department's Notification no. **1395/MA/O/C-4/1M-31/2015 (Pt-IV) dated 1st.November,2021**, for receiving online application and issuing online permission of building plans and other services as mentioned below with effect from that date;

AND WHEREAS, the Online Building Plan Approval System (**e-Grihanaksha**) (<https://obpsudma.wb.gov.in>) duly created and developed by this Department with the technical assistance of Webel Technology Ltd, has already been made LIVE w.e.f **16th.August,2021**;

AND WHEREAS, this Online System (SWS-OBPAS) has been integrated with different NOC Issuing Authorities through CAF namely WB Fire &Emergency Services Department, Power Department, National Monuments Authority, Airports Authority of India and Competent Authorities (ULC) ;

AND WHEREAS, this Department had also decided that the Building Plan approval system of **Howrah Municipal Corporation** (as per KMC Building Rules, 2009) will have to be customised and integrated with the **Online Single Window Building Plan Approval System (e-Grihanaksha)** and in execution of that necessary procedure of customisation and integration of the Building Plan approval system of new construction of buildings for Howrah Municipal Corporation in **SWS-OBPAS** , has already been completed, successfully;

NOW, in supersession of all the previous orders issued in this respect , it is hereby ordered that the **Howrah Municipal Corporation** shall receive online application of the building plan for new construction of buildings having classification as Residential , Educational, Institutional , Assembly , Commercial/Business, Mercantile(Retail), Industrial , Storage , Hazardous , Building with mixed occupancies , IT/ITES, Mass housing projects, Co-operative housing, Mercantile(wholesale) and Mega commercial project, through CAF and shall issue permissions / approvals for the new construction of buildings of the above mentioned classification , in the online mode **mandatorily** through the web portal of **SWS-OBPAS w.e.f 1st.September, 2022** , without any physical touchpoints for document verification , payment of fees etc and **shall not** receive any offline application for building plan of new construction and **shall not** process that application or issue permission / approval in the offline mode after the scheduled date, for the new construction of buildings of the above mentioned classification, excepting the following cases:-

- 1) Where the gifting the required portion of land to the Corporation by the registered document or relinquishing the required portion of the land by the applicant is not practicable , in terms of Rule 59(2) (3rd. Proviso) of the Kolkata Municipal Corporation Building Rules,2009;
- 2) Where the re-construction of the old and insecure building occupied by the tenants is proposed in terms of Rule 142, ibid;
- 3) Where the construction of a building with interior open space or courtyard is proposed in terms of Rule 67(5), ibid;

HOWEVER, the offline applications of building plan and other related services for the new constructions **received before the scheduled date** shall be processed and disposed in the usual manner;

THIS ORDER is being issued for interest of public and top most priority should be attached to this and all necessary actions including adequate publicity and awareness creation among stakeholders shall be arranged from the end of Howrah Municipal Corporation.

By order of the Governor,

Sd/-
Special Secretary
to the Govt. of West Bengal

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Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:

1. Chairperson of the Board of Administrators, Howrah Municipal Corporation
2. Commissioner, Howrah Municipal Corporation
3. District Magistrate, Howrah
4. Smt Sujata Ghosh, Special Commissioner, UD&MA Department
5. Additional Secretary, Statutory Wings (Municipal Affairs Branch) of UD&MA Department
6. Director, State Urban Development Agency
7. Secretary, Municipal Engineering Directorate
8. Chief Engineer, Municipal Engineering Directorate
9. Chief Executive Officer, Howrah Improvement Trust
10. Chief Executive Officer, Webel Technology Ltd
11. Sri Sunit Bhattacharya, General Manager (e-Governance), WTL
12. Supdt.Engineer, MED , Planning Circle (South)
13. State EoDB Cell , MSME&T Department
14. PS to the Hon'ble Minister-in-charge , UD & MA Department
15. Section Officer, IT&e-Gov Cell of this Department with the request to upload this order in the official website immediately.
16. PS to Principal Secretary, UD & MA Department


Special Secretary