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NOTIFICATION

The State Government has taken up a scheme named "Jalatirtha" in the year 2014-15 in the four Districts (Bankura, Birbhum, Paschim Medinipur including Jhargram & Purulia). Later on, it has been extended to include, Sunderbans areas of the North and South 24 Parganas for rain water harvesting to address salinity and hilly areas of North Bengal i.e. Darjeeling & Kalimpong Districts.

The State Government is committed towards extending Minor Irrigation Coverage by conserving & utilizing surface water for upliftment of livelihood of the people. Ground water Minor Irrigation schemes are generally not suitable in Paschim Bardhaman District. Since, topography, soil characteristics as well as hydrological & geological characters of Paschim Bardhaman District have strong resemblance with the western lateritic Districts of West Bengal and same type of structures for Minor Irrigation as well as water conservation viz. Check Dam, Surface Flow Minor Irrigation Schemes, Water Harvesting Tank as executed in Jalatirtha Programme are very much feasible in this region, it has been felt necessary to include Paschim Bardhaman District under Jalatirtha Programme.

Therefore, with a view to extend comprehensive Minor Irrigation facility conserving & utilizing surface water as well as to transform fallow land to productive, the District of Paschim Bardhaman is included under Jalatirtha Programme. This has approval of the Chief Secretary to the Government of West Bengal.

Sd/- (Prabhat Kumar Mishra, IAS)
Principal Secretary to the Government of West Bengal

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