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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**

**Department of Excise**

No. 1013-Ex/O/1A-02/12

Kolkata, the 4th October, 2012.

**NOTIFICATION**

In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 78 read with section 10 and sub-section (2) of section 71 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 (Act 61 of 1985), the Governor of West Bengal is pleased hereby to make the following amendments to the West Bengal Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Rules, 1986 issued under Notification No. 1596-Ex dated-12 November 1985.

*Amendments*

In the said rules,—

1. insert the following rule after rule 8:—

8A. Without prejudice to the generality of the provisions of these rules, possession, transport, purchase, sale or import inter-state of morphine or any preparation containing morphine in respect of a Recognized Medical Institution shall be as follows:—

- (1) A 'Recognized Medical Institution' shall mean a Government Hospital or any medical institution recognized for the possession, transport, purchase, sale, import inter-state of morphine or any preparation containing morphine for the purposes of these rules.
- (2) A Government Hospital or any medical institution which intends to be recognized as a 'Recognized Medical Institution', for the purpose of this chapter, shall apply in Form MD-7 to the Drug Controller appointed by the Government, who shall conduct necessary enquiry as deemed fit and convey his decision within three months from the date of receipt of the application. A copy of such communication shall be forwarded to the Excise Commissioner, West Bengal.

