

**GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
FINANCE DEPARTMENT
AUDIT BRANCH**

No. 3132-F

Calcutta, the 20th March, 1996

MEMORANDUM

The undersigned is directed to invite a reference to Finance Department's Memo. No. 4406-F, dated 21. 4. 1992 under which purchase of books for the Government Offices has been totally banned. Now a question has been raised from the different corners as to whether the said ban order in respect of purchase of books has hit the Purchase of books by the Government Libraries.

After careful consideration of all the aspects of the policy reflected in the aforesaid order, it is hereby clarified that the said order does not ban the purchase of books and periodicals by the regularly constituted the Government Libraries including Libraries attached to the Government Schools and Colleges with a regular set up of Librarian and Library Assistants etc. subject to the condition that necessary allotment of fund for purchase of books and periodicals has been made by the concerned competent authority in accordance with the norms for such purchases.

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