

**The West Bengal**  
**Silkworm Seed, Cocoon and Silk Yarn**  
**(Regulation of Production, Supply, Distribution & Sale)**  
**Rules, 1991**



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**GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL**  
**Cottage and Small Scale Industries Department**

**NOTIFICATION**

**No. 56-Cot.(IV).—11th January 1991.—In exercise of the power conferred by sub-section (3) of section 1 of the West Bengal Silk worm Seed, Cocoon and Silk Yarn (Regulation of Production, Supply, Distribution and Sale) Act, 1988 (West Ben. Act XXV of 1988), the Governor is pleased hereby to appoint the 26th day of January, 1991, as the date on which all the provisions of the said Act, except sections 8, 10, 12 and 13, shall come into force.**

By order of the Governor

**A. GUPTA,**  
Secy. to the Govt. of West Bengal.

**GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL**  
**Cottage and Small Scale Industries Department**

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No. 57-Cot.(IV)-11th January, 1991--In exercise of the power conferred by section 24 of the West Bengal Silkworm Seed, Cocoon and Silk Yarn (Regulation of Production, Supply, Distribution and Sale) Act, 1988 (West Ben. Act XXV of 1988), the Governor is pleased hereby to make, after previous publication as required by sub-section (1) of section 24 of the said Act, the following rules :--

**RULES**

**CHAPTER I**

**Preliminary**

1. **Short title and commencement**—(1) These rules may be called the West Bengal Silkworm Seed, Cocoon and Silk Yarn (Regulation of Production, Supply, Distribution and Sale) Rules, 1991.

(2) They should come into force on the 26th day of the January, 1991.

2. **Definitions.**—In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires,—

- (a) "Act" means the West Bengal Silkworm Seed, Cocoon and Silk Yarn (Regulation of Production, Supply, Distribution and Sale) Act, 1988 ;
- (b) "Department" means the Directorate of Sericulture, Government of West Bengal ;
- (c) "Director" means the Director of Sericulture, West Bengal ;
- (d) "disease-free laying" or "disease-free seed" means silkworm eggs which are free from pebrine disease ;
- (e) "Form" means the form appended to these rules ;
- (f) "grainage" means a place or premises where disease-free silkworm seed is prepared ;
- (g) "officer" means an officer of the Directorate of Sericulture, Government of West Bengal, specially authorised by the Director to perform the functions of the officer under these rules ;
- (h) "seed preparer" means a person engaged in the preparation, distribution or disposal of silkworm eggs used for purposes of rearing silkworm ;
- (i) "seed rearer" means a person engaged in the rearing of silkworm for the production of silkworm cocoons for purposes of reproduction ;
- (j) "section" means a section of the Act ;
- (k) words and expressions not defined in these rules shall have the same meanings as assigned to them in the Act.

## CHAPTER II

**Regulation of Production, etc., of Silkworm Seed and Cocoon**

3. **Restriction on rearing silkworms.**—(1) No person shall rear silkworm from silkworm seed other than silkworm seed obtained from a government grainage or a seed preparer licensed under these rules.

(2) A person who has obtained silkworm seed from the Government grainage or a licensed seed preparer, shall preserve, for a period of one year, the receipt and the egg sheets or box issued by government grainage or the licensed seed preparer in respect of the silkworm seed supplied by such grainage or seed preparer, and shall, when so required by the authorised officer, produce them before him.

4. **Application for grant of licence.**—(1) A seed preparer, or seed rearer shall submit to the Licensing Authority an application in Form 1.

(2) An application for a licence under section 7 shall be made to the Licensing Authority in Form 2.

(3) An application for a licence to purchase silkworm cocoons for the purpose of reeling shall be made to the Licensing Authority in Form 2A.

(4) The licensing authority may grant licence in Form 5 to co-operative societies, institutions or persons for setting up reeling establishments, if such co-operative societies institutions or persons are certified by the Khadi and Village Industries Commission or if the Licensing Authority is satisfied that the co-operative society or the institution or the person, who wishes to carry on the business of reeling silkworm cocoons, either itself himself has sufficient experience of reeling silkworm cocoons or has a person having such experience in its his employ to manage the reeling establishment.

5. **Grant of Licence.**—(1) The Licensing Authority may, if it is satisfied that the applicant for a licence to be a seed preparer is suitable for the grant of licence and taking into consideration the number of seed prepares serving the area in which the applicant proposes to engage in seed preparation and the needs of the area, grant him a licence in Form 3 or refuse the grant of licence after recording reasons therefor.

(2) The Licensing Authority may, if it is satisfied that the applicant for a licence to be a seed rearer is suitable for the grant of a licence, grant him a licence in Form 4.

(3) The Licensing Authority may, if it is satisfied that the person who wishes to carry on the business or is desirous, of setting up such a reeling or establishment and has the resources for the same, grant him a licence in Form 5.

(4) The Licensing Authority may grant an applicant a licence to purchase silkworm cocoons only in Form 5A where it is satisfied—

- (a) that such purchase is for the purposes of reeling ; and  
 (b) such applicant possesses a licence granted under sub-rule (3).

(5) Licence granted under this Chapter shall --

- (i) remain in force for such period not exceeding two years at a time.  
 (ii) be entered in the register in Form and 5B.

6. **Fee for grant or renewal of licence.**--A licence may be granted or renewed under this chapter on payment of the fee specified in the table below :--

**Table**

Sl. No.	Category of licence	Fees per annum
1.	Seed rearer	Two rupees
2.	Seed preparer	Fifty rupees
3.	Reeling--	
	(a) for each charka	Ten rupees
	(b) for each cottage basi n	Fifteen rupees
	(c) for each filature basi n	One hundred rupees
4.	For purchase of silkworm cocoons for reeling	Twenty-five rupees

7. **Renewal of licence.**--(1) A licence may, on application and on the Licensing Authority being satisfied that the applicant continues to satisfy the conditions of grant of the licence, be renewed by the Licensing Authority. The Licensing Authority may refuse the renewal of the licence if, after such inquiry as he deems fit and after giving an opportunity to the applicant to be heard, it is satisfied that the licensee has contravened any condition of the licence granted or renewed in respect of the preceding period.

(2) Every application for the renewal of a licence shall be in Form 1, 2 or 2-A as the case may be, and shall be made not less than two months before the date on which the licence expires and if the application is so made, the applicant shall be deemed to be duly licensed until the date of renewal of the licence by the Licensing Authority.

(3) Notwithstanding anything contained in rule 6 and in the preceding sub-rule where an application for renewal of licence is made after the time specified in sub-rule (2) but not less than thirty days before the date on which the licence expires, the licence may be renewed on payment of a fee of twenty-five per cent in excess of the fee payable for the grant of the licence. When an application is so made, the applicant shall be deemed to be duly licensed until, the date of disposal of application by the Licensing Authority.

8. **Procedure on death of licensee.**--If a licensee dies, the person carrying on the business of such licensee shall not be liable to any penalty under the

Act for exercising the powers granted to the licensee by the licensee during such time as may reasonably be required to allow him to make an application for a licence in his own name.

9. **Loss of licence.**--Where a licence granted under these rules is lost or accidentally destroyed or mutilated, a duplicate licence may be granted on payment of a fee of two rupees.

10. **Payment of fees.**--(1) Every application for grant or renewal of licence under this chapter shall be accompanied by--

- (a) a treasury challan for showing the deposit of the licence fee under the appropriate head of account ; or
- (b) a cash receipt for having paid the licence fee in the office of the Licensing Authority at the rates specified in rule 6.

11. **Qualification of seed preparer, seed rearer and reeler.**--(1) A person shall be eligible for the grant of licence to be a seed preparer if he possesses the following qualifications, namely :--

- (a) (i) if he holds a certificate granted by the Director of having undergone training in the technique of grainage for such period as may be specified by the Director or of having in his employ a person so trained to manage the preparation of the seed ;
- (ii) if he has been a seed preparer running a grainage for a period of not less than two years before the coming into force of section 3 and has undergone a refresher course for a period of two months in any government grainage or is ready to undergo and complete two months' training within a period of six months after the licence is granted ; or
- (b) in the case of Sericultural Co-operative Society approved by the Director, the person or persons employed by the Society for preparation of seed should be a person or persons trained in the technique of grainage for a period of not less than six months.

(2) A person shall be eligible for the grant of a licence to be a seed rearer if he possesses the following qualifications, namely :--

- (a) if he is in possession of a well-maintained mulberry garden, a disinfestable rearing apartment and requisite rearing appliances ; and
- (b) (i) if he is an experienced silkworm rearer knowing all the details of silkworm rearing ; or
- (ii) in the case of Sericultural Co-operative Society approved by the Director, the person or persons employed by the Society should be experienced silkworm seed rearers knowing all the details of silkworm rearing.

12. **Conditions to be complied with by licensed seed preparers**—Every licensed seed preparer shall comply with the following conditions, namely :—

- (a) he shall prepare disease-free laying (silkworm seed) only from the seed cocoons purchased from licensed seed rearers through an officer and the seed preparer shall preserve for a period of one year the certificate issued in Form 6 by the officer through whom the seed cocoons were purchased ;
- (b) he shall prepare disease-free silkworm seed in accordance with such methods as the Director may, from time to time, specify ;
- (c) he shall possess such equipments as may be specified by the Director from time to time for preparation of silkworm layings at the licensed grainages ;
- (d) he shall sell the disease-free laying only in the area mentioned in the licence ;
- (e) he shall maintained a record of the results of the rearings from the seed issued from his grainage. He shall inspect the rearings from the seed distributed by him when required by the silkworm rearer to whom seeds have been issued and record the results for such inspections. He shall also furnish such information in his possession about the conditions of the crops and yields at such time and to such officer as the Director may require.
- (f) he shall maintain regular accounts in Forms 7, 8 and 9 ;
- (g) he shall, if so required by the Director, or any officer authorised by the Director, produce the accounts for inspection ;
- (h) he shall submit periodical returns in Form 10 within such time as the Director may require ;
- (i) he shall give intimation in writing to the nearest officer of the probable dates of receipt of seed cocoons along with the dates of spinning of such seed cocoons by the silkworms, the probable dates of emergence of the months from such seed cocoons and the probable dates of testing of the months which have emerged from such seed cocoons and such intimation shall be given so as to reach the officer concerned at least three days before the probable dates of receipt of such seed cocoons the probable dates of testing of the months, as the case may be ;
- (j) he shall get the months examined, after they have laid eggs, by an officer authorised by the Director, and shall not, subject to the decision under rule 14, distribute any lot of eggs, other than those certified by such officer to be disease-free. He shall destroy such lots of eggs as are not certified to be disease-free in the presence of an officer not below the rank of a Sericultural Demonstrator ;

(k) he shall not change the location of the grainage except with the previous approval of the Director or other officer authorised by the Director.

**13. Conditions to be complied with by a licensed seed rearer.**—Every licensed seed rearer shall comply with the following conditions, namely :—

- (a) he shall rear pure race silkworm seed obtained from Government grainages or from any other source approved by the Director. The egg sheets and boxes of each lot of disease-free layings supplied to him should be preserved by him after brushing the worms till the crop of that particular lot is completed and the cocoons are disposed of ;
- (b) he shall not transfer worms during the course of rearing from one place to another or from one person to another without the permission of the officer ;
- (c) he shall comply with the instructions given from time to time by the officers in the rearing of the silkworms and permit them to inspect the rearings and take worms for examinations ;
- (d) he shall allow the silkworms to spin on the mountages and harvest the cocoons after the worms inside have crossed the larval stage ;
- (e) he shall allow the officers to disinfect the rearing apartment and the appliance if found necessary and afford all facilities for such disinfection ;
- (f) in the event of detection of any disease, he shall allow the officer to destroy any silkworm seed, or silkworm and disinfect any vessel, receptacle or apparatus used in its production, preparation, storage or transport to prevent the spread of silk-worm disease or to eradicate it.

**14. Further examination to determine whether eggs are diseased.**—Any seed preparer who is not satisfied with the decision of the officer referred to in clause (i) of rule 12 may make an application to the officer of the Department immediately superior to the officer who conducted the examination of the moth and thereupon the said officer or any other officer, not below the rank of an Extension Officer, shall conduct a further examination and give his decision. If the layings under preparation are declared to be disease-free after such examination, the officer concerned shall issue a certificate to that effect.

**15. Sanitary and other conveniences that should be provided for at the production and distribution centres of silkworm seed.**—Every seed production and distribution centre shall be provided with the following sanitary and other conveniences :—

- (i) the building in which production and distribution centre is located shall have at least two rooms of sufficient accommodation ;
- (ii) separate rooms shall be provided for the preservation of seed the cocoons, pairing of moths and moth examination ;



- (iii) the room provided for moth examination shall have washing facilities with running water. It shall also have proper window to allow sufficient light into the room for purposes of microscope examination ;
- (iv) waste water from the grainage should not be allowed to run to the field and such water shall be allowed to run into a soakpit constructed for the purpose and the soakpit shall be called frequently ;
- (v) proper precautions shall be taken by making arrangements to protect the pairing moths and seed cocoons from rats, squirrels and birds ;
- (vi) the rooms shall be kept clean and tidy ;
- (vii) moths shall not be thrown on the floor ;
- (viii) moths not required in the seed preparation shall be collected in a vessel and removed from the centre and buried as far from the centre possible ;
- (ix) the seed production centre and grainage appliances shall be disinfected with 2 per cent formaline solution at least once in three months. When occurrence of any disease is noticed the appliances and the centre shall be disinfected immediately.

16. **Authorisation to possess silkworm seed.**—No person, other than a rearer or a licensed seed preparer, shall be in possession of silkworm seed unless authorised in writing by the Director or other officer. The authorisation shall be in Form 1A.

### CHAPTER III

#### Regulation of sale and purchase of silk yarn

17. **Officer to authorise for possession of silk yarn, etc.**—(1) For the purpose of section 6—

- (a) The prescribed officer shall include the Director of Sericulture, Joint Director of Sericulture, Deputy Director of Sericulture, Assistant Director of Sericulture, Manager, State Failure, and Superintendent of Sericulture in the State of West Bengal ;

(b) the prescribed quantity of silk yarn shall be one kilogram.

18. **Application for the grant of licence as a trader in silk yarn.**—(1) Every application for the grant of a licence to purchase silk yarn shall be made to the Licensing Authority in Form 11 and shall be accompanied by a fee of rupees one hundred.

(2) On receipt of such application the Licensing Authority shall enter the same in the register in Form 12.

(3) The Licensing Authority, after making such enquiries as it may consider necessary and subject to the conditions specified in rule 13 may, if it finds no grounds to refuse the licence, grant a licence in Form 13.

(4) A licence granted under sub-rule (3) shall—

(a) be entered in the register in Form 14 ;

(b) remain in force up to the 31st March of the succeeding year.

19. **Renewal of licence.**—(1) Every application for renewal of licence shall be in Form 15 accompanied by a fee of rupees fifty, and shall be made not less than two months before the date on which the licence expires and if the application is so made, the applicant shall be deemed to be duly licensed until the date of renewal of the licence by the Licensing Authority.

(2) If the application for renewal of a licence is not received within the time specified in sub-rule (1) the licence shall be renewed only on payment of twenty five per cent in excess of the fee payable for the grant of licence.

(3) If the Licensing Authority is satisfied that the applicant continues to satisfy the conditions for the grant of licence, the licence may be renewed. If the Licensing Authority, after such enquiry as it deems fit and after giving an opportunity to the applicant to be heard, is satisfied that the licensee has contravened any condition of the licence granted or renewed in respect of the preceding year, it may refuse the renewal of the licence.

20. **Conditions for granting a licence.**—(1) No licence shall be granted or renewed to a person to operate as a licensed trader unless the Licensing Authority is satisfied after such enquiry as it deems fit that the person—

(a) is a major ; and

(b) (i) is a trader in silk yarn ; or

(ii) is a twister in silk yarn ; or

(iii) is a weaver in silk yarn.

(2) The Licensing Authority may revoke the licence granted or renewed to operate as licensed trader if, after such enquiry, it is satisfied that such licensed trader—

(a) has been convicted for an offence punishable under section 15 and such conviction has not been subsequently set aside ;

(b) has not complied with the conditions of licence laid down in these rules ;

(c) has not transacted any business during the period of his licence ;

Provided that the revocation of the licence under this sub-clause shall not be a bar for grant of a fresh licence ;

(d) is not a bonafide—

- (i) trader in silk yarn ; or,
- (ii) twister in silk yarn ; or
- (iii) weaver in silk yarn.

21. **Maintenance of accounts etc.**—Every licensed trader shall maintain true and correct accounts relating to the purchase of silk yarn, daily stocks and its disposal in Form 16.

22. **Storage of silk yarn.**—(1) No licensed trader shall store silk yarn in any godown or building or any other place, which is not so registered in the office of the Licensing Authority.

(2) A godown or building or any other place where silk yarn is stored shall be kept open for the inspection by the Licensing Authority or any other officer authorised by it in this behalf.

## CHAPTER IV

### Miscellaneous

23. **Constitution of development and price stabilisation fund authority.**—

(1) authority consisting of—

- (a) the Director of Sericulture—Chairman,
- (b) the Deputy Secretary to the Government of West Bengal, Cottage and Small Scale Industries Department—Member,
- (c) a representative of the State Khadi and Village Industry Commission—Member,
- (d) a representative of the State Khadi and Village Industries Board—Member,
- (e) a representative of Central Silk Board—Member,
- (f) two persons interested in sericulture nominated by the State Government—Members, and
- (g) the Joint Director of Sericulture Headquarters—Member-Secretary,

which shall administer the fund constituted under section 23.

(2) The money credited to the Fund constituted under section 23 may be spent for the following purposes also, namely :—

- (a) the construction of buildings required to locate the cocoon market ;
- (b) to provide necessary facilities in the cocoon market ;
- (c) to provide for testing and grading of silk worm cocoons and silk yarn ;
- (d) for any other purpose with the prior approval of the Director.

24. **Appeal.**—(1) Any person aggrieved by an order of the Licensing Authority may, within thirty days from the date of communication of the order, appeal to—

(i) the Director, in the case of an order passed by an authority subordinate to the Director ; and

(ii) the State Government, in the case of an order passed by the Director.

(2) An appeal under sub-section (3) of section 18 may be filed within thirty days from the date of communication of the order.

(3) An appeal under sub-rule (1) or sub-rule (2) shall be in the form of a memorandum setting forth concisely the grounds of objection to the order and shall be accompanied by a copy of the order appealed against.

(4) The appellate authority shall, after giving an opportunity to the appellant to be heard and after such enquiry as it may consider necessary, pass such orders on the appeal as it deems fit.

*Explanation.*—For the purpose of sub-rule (1), an order shall be deemed to have been communicated on the date on which, in the ordinary course, the registered post would reach the applicant after the date posting.

25. **Composition of offences.**—The following officers of the Sericulture Directorate shall be empowered under sub-section (1) of section 19 of to compound the offences issued under this Act :—

(1) the Director of Sericulture and the Joint Director of Sericulture, in respect of any offences punishable under the Act,

(2) the Deputy Director and the Assistant Director of Sericulture, in respect of offences arising out of contravention of the provisions of sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 9.

26. **Procedure regarding seizure etc.**—Any officer not below the rank of Sericulture Demonstrator acting under clause (d) of sub-section (1) of section 14 shall follow the following procedure, when any silkworm, silkworm seed, silkworm cocoon or silk yarn including any vessel, receptacle, apparatus, package or covering in which such silkworm, silkworm seed, silk worm cocoons or silk yarn is contained, is seized :—

(i) a seizure list shall be drawn by the officer in the presence of two or more respectable witnesses ;

(ii) the material seized shall be properly secured and identified by a label affixed on it after the witnesses and the officer seizing the incriminating materials have put their signature on the label and thereafter the materials shall be sent at once to the nearest institution of the Department for safe custody and a report of the action taken shall be made to the officer superior to such officer ;

- (iii) if such officer is empowered under sub-section (2) of section 20 he may lodge a complaint in the competent court ;
- (iv) in the case of materials which are, in the opinion of the officer, subject to speedy and natural decay, the officer who seizes such materials shall intimate his opinion to the officer to whom such materials are sent and the said officer may destroy such materials in the presence of two witnesses. A report in this regard shall be sent by him to his superior officer ;
- (v) in the case of silkworm seed and silkworm cocoon which, in the opinion of the officer are subject to speedy and natural decay and if he has no time to obtain orders of the court for disposal, the officer who seizes such things shall sell them by public auction and the sale proceeds shall be remitted to the Government Treasury.

27. **Power of Director.**—The Director may exercise any power conferred on any officer under these rules.

#### FORM 1

(See rule 4)

#### The West Bengal Silkworm Seed, Cocoon and Silkyarn (Regulation of Production, Supply, Distribution and Sale) Rules 1991

Application for a Licence for—

- I. preparing disease-free Silkworm Seed ;
  - II. rearing of Silkworms required for seed purposes ;
  - III. conducting chawki rearings ;
  - IV. rearing of Silkworms other than for seed purposes.
1. Name of the applicant ..
  2. Father's name ..
  3. Address ..
  4. Qualifications of the applicant as specified in the rule 11 ..
  5. (i) Name of the village ..
  - (ii) Address (description of the premises) ..
  - (iii) The area proposed to be served ..

6. Description of seed operations or rearings for seed purposes carried on for which licence is sought
- (a) Seed Production
    - (i) Corss-breed race for commercial purposes
    - (ii) Multivoltine race for commercial purposes
  - (b) Silkworm rearing for seed purposes
7. Capacity for--
- (a) seed cocoons to be handled in the grainage at the time of both Bivoltine and Multivoltine race
  - (b) silkworm rearings for seed purposes
8. Is the application for renewal or for issue of fresh licence (if for renewal, mention previous licence number and date of expiry)

.....  
Place :

Date :

Signature of the Applicant  
.....

### FORM 2

[See rule 4(2)]

#### The West Bengal Silkworm Seed, Cocoon and Silk Yarn (Regulation of Production, Supply, Distribution and Sale) Rules, 1991

Application for Licence for reeling Silk from Silkworm. Cocoons

1. Name of the applicant .....
2. Father's name .....
3. Address .....

4. Description of premises in which reeling is proposed to be carried on ..
5. Appliances employed for reeling ..
6. Number of charkas/basins installed ..
7. How long has the applicant been engaged in reeling ..
8. Particulars regarding the volume of business done during the three years prior to the date of application ..
9. If the applicant is a silkworm rearer himself, the approximate weight of cocoons he produces in a year ..

.....  
Place :

Date :

Signature of the Applicant  
.....

### FORM 2A

[See rule 4(3)]

**The West Bengal Silkworm Seed, Cocoon and Silk Yarn (Regulation of Production, Supply, Distribution and Sale) Rules, 1991**  
Application for a Licence for purchase of Silkworm Cocoons for reeling silk

1. Name of the applicant ..
2. Father's name ..
3. Address ..
4. Village and description of premises in which reeling is carried on by the reeler ..
5. Number of charkas/basins installed ..
6. Licence No. with the date for the reeling establishment ..
7. Particulars regarding the quantity in weight of cocoons reeled by the applicant annually ..

- 8. If the applicant is a silkworm rearer, the approximate weight of cocoons he produces annually ..
- 9. The quantity in weight of cocoons the applicant purchases per annum ..
- 10. Area in which the applicant desires to purchase cocoons ..
- 11. Names and address of agents proposed by the applicant for operating in the cocoon market or markets to be allotted ..

.....  
Place :

Date :

Signature of the Applicant  
.....

**FORM 3**

[See rule 5(1)]

**The West Bengal Silkworm Seed, Cocoon and Silk Yarn (Regulation of Production, Supply, Distribution and Sale) Rules, 1991**

**LICENCE**

**(Not transferable)**

Granted to Shri .....,  
son of Shri ....., of .....,  
for the purpose of preparing disease-free silkworm seed, cross-breed or pure/ or both  
at the village of ..... and to serve .....  
(here area may be inserted).

Licence valid from (date) ..... to ..... (date).

Signature and designation of  
the Licensing Officer.



**Conditions to be complied with by licenced seed preparer**

Every licensed seed preparer shall comply with the following conditions namely :—

- (a) he shall prepare disease-free layings (Silkworms seed) only from the seed cocoons purchased from licensed seed rearers through an officer and the seed preparer shall preserve the certificate issued in Form 6 by the officer through whom the seed cocoons were purchased ;
- (b) he shall prepare disease-free silkworm seed in accordance with such methods as the Director may from time to time specify ;
- (c) he shall possess such equipments as may be specified by the Director from time to time for preparation of silkworm layings at the licensed grainages ;
- (d) he shall the disease-free layings only in the area mentioned in the licence ;  
 he shall maintain a record of the results of the rearings from the seed issued from his grainage, inspect the rearings from the seed distributed by him when required by the silkworm rearer to whom seeds have been issued and record the results of such inspections and shall also furnish such information in his possession about the conditions of the crops and yield at such time and to such officer as the Director may require ;
- (f) he shall maintain regular accounts in Forms 7, 8, and 9 ;
- (g) he shall, if so required by the Director or any officer authorised by the Director, produce the accounts for inspection ;
- (h) he shall submit periodical returns in Form 10 within such time as the Director may require ;
- (i) he shall give intimation in writing to the nearest officer of the probable dates of receipt of seed cocoons along with the dates of spinning of such seed cocoons by the silkworms the probable dates of emergence of the moths from such seed cocoons and the probable dates of testing of the moths which have emerged from such seed cocoons and such intimation shall be given so as to reach the officer concerned at least three days before the probable dates of receipt of such seed cocoons, the probable dates of emergence of moths and the probable dates of testing of the moths, as the case may be ;
- (j) he shall get the moths examined, after they have laid eggs, by an officer authorised by the Director, and shall not, subject to the decision under rule 14, distribute any lot of eggs, other than these certified by such officer to be disease-free and shall destroy such lots of eggs as are not certified to be disease-free in the presence of an officer not below the rank of a sericultural Demonstrator ;
- (k) he shall not change the location of the grainage except with the previous approval of the Director or other officer authorised by the Director.

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If a licensee dies, the person carrying on the business of such licensee shall not be liable to any penalty under the Act for exercising the powers granted to the licensee by the licence during such time as may reasonably be required to allow him to make an application for a licence in his own name.

### Loss of licence

Where a licence granted under these rules is lost or accidentally destroyed or mutilated, a duplicate licence may be granted on payment of a fee of two rupees.

### Payment of fees

Every application for grant or renewal of licence under chapter II of this Act shall be accompanied by,—

- (a) a treasury challan showing deposit of the licence fee under the appropriate head of account : or
- (b) a cash receipt for having paid the licence fee in the office of the Licensing Authority at the rates specified in rule 6.

### FORM 4

[See rule 5(2)]

### The West Bengal Silkworm Seed, Cocoon and Silk Yarn (Regulation of Production, Supply, Distribution and Sale) Rules, 1991

### LICENCE

(Not transferable)

Granted to Shri. ....  
 son of Shri. ....  
 of. ....  
 for the purpose of undertaking silkworm verings for the purpose of seed.

Licence valid from (date) ..... (to) ..... (date).

Signature and Designation of  
 the Licensing Officer.

### Conditions to be complied with by a licensed seed rearer

Every licensed seed rearer shall comply with the following conditions, namely :—

- (a) he shall rear pure race silkworm seed obtained from Government grainages or by any other source approved by the Director, and the egg

sheets and boxes of each lot of disease-free layings supplied to him should be preserved by him after brushing the worms till the crop of that particular lot is completed and the cocoons are disposed of ;

- (b) he shall not transfer worms during the course of rearing from one place to another or from one person to another without the permission of the officer ;
- (c) he shall comply with the instructions given from time to time by the officers in the rearing of the silkworms and permit them to inspect the rearings and take worms for examinations ;
- (d) he shall allow the silkworm to spin on the mountages and harvest the cocoons after the worms inside have crossed the larval stage ;
- (e) he shall allow the officers to disinfect the rearing apartment and the appliance if found necessary, and afford all facilities for such disinfection ;
- (f) in the event of detection of any disease, he shall allow the officer to destroy any silkworm seed or silkworm and disinfect any vessel, receptacle or apparatus used in its production, preparation, storage or transport to prevent the spread of silkworm disease or to eradicate it.

#### **Procedure on death of licensee**

If a licensee dies, the person carrying on the business of such licensee shall not be liable to any penalty under the Act for exercising the powers granted to the licensee by the licensee during such time as may reasonably be required to allow him to make an application for a licence in his own name.

#### **Loss of licence**

Where a licence granted under these rules is lost or accidentally destroyed or mutilated, a duplicate licence may be granted on payment of a fee of two rupees.

**FORM 5**

[See rule 4(4)]

**The West Bengal Silkworm Seed, Cocoon and Silk Yarn  
(Regulation of Production, Supply, Distribution and Sale) Rules, 1991**

**Licence for Reeling****(Not transferable)**

Granted to Shri .....

son of Shri .....

address .....

description of premises .....

number of charkas/failure/basins/cottage basins permitted to be worked .....

.....

Licence valid from (date) ..... to (date) .

Signature and Designation of  
the Licensing Authority.

**CONDITIONS OF THE LICENCE****Procedure on death of licensee**

If a licensee dies, the person carrying on the business of such licensee shall not be liable to any penalty under the Act for exercising the powers granted to the licensee by the licence during such time as may reasonably be required to allow him to make an application for a licence in his own name.

**Loss of licence**

Where a licence granted under these rules is lost or accidentally destroyed or mutilated, a duplicate licence may be granted on payment of a fee of two rupees.

**Payment of fees**

(1) Every application for grant or renewal of licence under chapter II of the Act shall be accompanied by, —

- (a) a treasury challan showing deposit of the licence fee under the appropriate head of account ; or
- (b) a cash receipt for having paid the licence fee in the office of the Licensing Authority at the rates specified in rule 6.

(2) If an application for the grant or renewal of a licence is rejected, the fee paid shall be refunded to the applicant.

## FORM 5A

[See rule 5(4)]

**The West Bengal Silkworm Seed, Cocoon and Silk Yarn  
(Regulation of Production, Supply, Distribution and Sale) Rules, 1991**

**Licence for purchase of Silkworm, Cocoons**

**for Reeling**

**(Not transferable)**

Granted to Shri .....  
 son of Shri .....  
 address .....  
 Licensee, is permitted to purchase silkworm cocoons for reeling at the cocoon  
 market in cross-breed .....  
 seed zone .....  
 in the manner prescribed under the rules. In his absence the following agents  
 proposed by him in his application are permitted to operate in the above  
 market :—

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Licence valid from (date) ..... to (date) .....

Place :  
 Date :

Signature and designation of  
 the Licensing Authority.

**Conditions of the Licence**

Every person or institution licensed for purchase of silkworm cocoons for reeling shall comply with the following conditions, namely :—

- (i) he or the agent authorised by him and approved by the Licensing Authority shall operate only in the cocoon market or markets allotted to him in the licence ;
- (ii) he shall not remove cocoons acquired by him to any area outside the cocoon market ;
- (iii) the person licensed for purchase of silk worm cocoons for reeling or in his absence, his authorised agent approved by the Licensing Authority shall only bid in the market or markets allotted to the licensee ;
- (iv) the person licensed for purchase of silkworm cocoons for reeling or his authorised agent approved by the Licensing Authority shall abide by the

conditions laid down for transaction involving sale or purchase of cocoons in the cocoon market ;

- (v) he shall not acquire cocoons otherwise than by purchase in the cocoon market allotted to him ;
- (vi) he shall maintain true and correct accounts relating to the purchase of cocoons in the cocoon market and its disposal ;
- (vii) he shall, if so required by an officer, produce the accounts for inspection.

#### Procedure on death of licensee

If a licensee dies, the person carrying on the business of such licensee shall not be liable to any penalty under the Act for exercising the powers granted to the licensee by the licence during such time as may reasonably be required to allow him to make an application for a licence in his own name.

#### Duplicate licence

Where a licence is lost or accidentally destroyed or mutilated, a duplicate licence may be granted on payment of a fee of two rupees.

#### Payment of fees

(1) Every application of grant or renewal of licence under chapter II of the Act shall be accompanied by--

- (a) a treasury challan showing the deposit of the licence fee under the appropriate head of account, or
- (b) a cash receipt for having paid the licence fee in the office of the Licensing Authority at the rates specified in rule 6.

#### FORM 5B

[See rule 5(ii)]

#### Register of Licensee

Sl. No.	Name and address of the person to whom a licence is granted	Category of licence granted to him and its number	If the licence is for reeling, state the number of charkas/cottage basins/filature basins	Date of issue	Date of expiry	Signature of the Licensing Authority
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

**FORM 6**

[See rule 12(a)]

**The West Bengal Silkworm Seed, Cocoon and Silk Yarn (Regulation of Production, Supply, Distribution and Sale) Rules, 1991****Certificate for purchase of Seed Cocoons**

Shri .....  
 Licensed Seed Prepare .....  
 of ..... has purchased .....  
 race seed cocoons spun on .....  
 from ..... of .....  
 circle and he is permitted to transport the above Seed Cocoons from .....  
 ..... to .....  
 This permit expires on .....

Date .....

Signature and designation of  
the officer,**FORM 7**

[See rule 12(f)]

**Preparation Register**

Preparation Lot No.	Quantity of cocoons preserved		Date of Moth Emergence	No. of Pairs cross breed kept	No. of moths examined	Date of examination	
	seed Cocoon Register Lot No.	Multivol- tine/Race					Bivoltine
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Results of Examination			No. of D.F. Ls obtained		Remarks		
P	F1.	Dead	Total				
9	10	11	12	13	14		





**FORM NO. 10**

[See rule 12(h)]

**Report of work done by the seed preparer during the month of .....**

Lot No.	No. of layings prepared during the month	No. of layings disposed during the month	Remarks
1	2	3	4

**FORM 10A**

[See rule 16]

**Authorisation issued by the Director of Sericulture for possession of Silkworm Seed**

I, Shri ....., Director/Deputy Director/Assistant Director/Superintendent of Sericulture, Government of West Bengal, hereby authorise Shri ..... Designation ..... Jurisdiction ..... to be in possession of Silkworm Seeds in connection with his official business.

Sale of Office

Signature and designation.

Station :

Date :

**FORM 11**

[See rule 18(1)]

**Application for a licence to purchase Silk Yarn and to register godown or building or any other place for storing Silk Yarn**

1. Name of the applicant :
2. Father's name :
3. Address :

4. Place and description of premises in which he is carrying on his business in silk yarn.
5. Name and address of his representative to operate on his behalf in his business.
6. No. and date of the challan or receipt for having paid the licence fee.
7. Description of the godown, building or place where he proposes to store silk yarn.
8. Exact location of the godown/building or places and other particulars.

Place :

Signature of the applicant.

Date :

**FORM 12**

[See rule 18(2)]

**Register of Application**

Sl. No.	Name and address of the applicant	Date of Receipt	Whether he is trader in silk yarn or twister or weaver	signature of the receiving officer with date	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6

**FORM 13**

[See rule 18(3)]

**Licence for Purchase of Silk Yarn**

Licence is granted to Shri .....  
 son of Shri .....  
 address .....  
 to purchase silk yarn at the silk exchange .....

In his absence, his representative Shri .....  
 ..... son of Shri .....  
 address .....  
 authorised by him, is permitted to operate on his behalf.

This licence shall be valid only up to the 31st day fo March, 19

Place :

Signature and designation  
of the licensing Authority.

Date :

**FORM 14**

[See rule 18(4)]

**Register of Licencee**

Sl. No.	Name and address of the person to whom a licence is granted	Licence No.	Whether he is trader in silk yarn or twister or weaver	Date of issue	Date of expiry	Signature of the Licensing Authority
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

**FORM 15**

(See rule 19)

**Application for renewal of licence to purchase silk yarn**

1. Name and address of the licenced Trader. :
2. Place of business :
3. Whether he is a trader in silk yarn or twister or weaver: :
4. The No. of and date of expiry of the licence sought to be renewed. :
5. Number and date of challan or receipt for having paid the renewal fee. :

Place :

Signature of the licenced trader.

Date :

**FORM 16**

[See rule 21]

**Register showing the purchases, daily stock and disposal of Silk Yarn**

Name and address of the licensed trader and licence number .....

Date	Quantity of Silk yarn purchased	Quantity of silk yarn	Rate per kilogram	No. of date of the receipt for having paid the value of silk yarn	Whether it is sold or used for twisting or weaving	Disposal. If sold, the person to whom it is sold	Quantity of stock at the end of the
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

*By order of the Governor,*

[ASOK GUPTA.]

*Secy. to the Govt. of West Bengal.*