



West Bengal College Librarians' Association

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Appeal

Friends, you are well aware that the West Bengal College Librarians' Association had fought for long time for the status, service conditions, and leave encashment benefits of the college librarians of West Bengal. With the help of justice from the Court of Law, the Association has achieved teaching status from Government of West Bengal. Even on the basis of that judgement, college librarians got the teaching status in West Bengal Universities and Colleges (Administration and Regulation) Act, 2017 (West Bengal Act VII of 2017), which came into force on 01.04.2017. Still many college librarians are not getting teaching status from their respective colleges. Like other fields or profession, some organizations are trying to break the solidarity among college librarians and trying to make them weak. They are focusing on short term gain for the college librarians, which may create a difficult situation for the college librarians in future. Our Association always thinks for the long-term benefit of college librarians of West Bengal. On behalf of the Association, we request the college librarians who have joined in recent years to take active participation after registering themselves as a member of our Association. We may remind them that this is the only Association, not other Association or Organization protect their interest and fight for their cause. The strength of an Association depends mostly upon active participation of the members and sound economic conditions. The resources of the Association have been drained out through legal expenses and regular expenditures like publication, official expenses, rent etc. Thus we are not in a position to perform other activities properly (like Seminar, Workshop etc.). We request to all members of our Association to contribute liberally.

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