

**Government of West Bengal**  
**Home & Hill Affairs Department**  
**Arms Cell, 5th Floor, Room No. 504, Nabanna,**  
**Howrah-711102**

No. 13/Addl./PM/2020

Dated: 8<sup>th</sup> April 2020

**ORDER**

**Subject: Automatic extension of licences/permissions that are due for expiry**

The Covid-19 pandemic has caused unprecedented disruption of life in the past weeks. Presently, there is a lockdown and severe restrictions in place that has made it difficult for citizens to properly interact with the government for their various requirements. Consequently, as a measure of relief, it has been decided that an automatic extension shall be given to all licences/permits/orders issued under Arms Act 1959 and Arms Rules 2016, or orders therein. Hence, any licence/permit/order that was due for renewal after 24<sup>th</sup> March 2020 under the Arms Act and Rules shall continue to have effect until 31<sup>st</sup> May 2020.



Additional Secretary  
to the Govt. of West Bengal