


service subject to a maximum of (3) three years, in primary, secondary and tertiary tier government hospitals situated in the rural areas, remote and/or difficult areas;

Explanation I: The term "rural areas" means areas other than the areas under the jurisdiction of a Metropolitan Area, Municipal Corporation, Municipality, Cantonment Board, Notified Town Area Committee or Industrial Township Authority and/or other Urban Local Bodies of the like as may be prescribed /notified by the appropriate Government from time to time;

Explanation II: The term "Remote and/or Difficult Areas" means and includes (i) the hill areas (demarcated by the region as defined in Section 2(o) of the Gorkhaland Territorial Administration Act, 2011); (ii) the areas of the Sundarbans under the jurisdiction of the Sundarban Unnayan Parshad, (iii) the areas under the jurisdiction of the Paschimanchal Unnayan Parshad and (iv) the areas under the jurisdiction of the Uttarbanga Unnayan Parshad under the Government of West Bengal.

By order of the Governor,



Special Secretary to the Government of West Bengal
Health and Family Welfare Department

(o) "region" means the territory comprising the three hill sub-divisions of the district of Darjeeling, namely, Darjeeling, Kalimpong and Kurseong, and includes the following *mouzas* in the sub-division of Siliguri of that district:

- (i) Lohagarh Tea Garden,
- (ii) Lohagarh Forest.
- (iii) Rangmohan,
- (iv) Barachenga,
- (v) Panighata,
- (vi) Chota Adalpur,
- (vii) Paharu,
- (viii) Sukna Forest,
- (ix) Sukna Part I.
- (x) Pantapati Forest I.

Difficulty Area under GTA

The Gorkhaland Territorial Administration Act, 2011.

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- (xi) Mahanadi Forest,
- (xii) Champasari Forest,
- (xiii) Salbari Chhat Part II,
- (xiv) Sitong Forest,
- (xv) Sivoke Hill Forest,
- (xvi) Sivoke Forest,
- (xvii) Chhota Cheuga,
- (xviii) Nipania.

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Block Profile

- HAROA
- MINAKHAN
- SANDESHKHALI-I
- SANDESHKHALI-II
- HASNABAD
- HINGALGANJ
- CANNING-I
- CANNING-II
- MATHURAPUR-I
- MATHURAPUR-II
- JOYNAGAR-I
- JOYNAGAR-II
- KULTALI
- BASANTI
- GOSABA
- KAKDWIP
- SAGAR
- NAMKHANA
- PATHAR PRATIMA

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The operation area of Sundarban Affairs Department is spread over 16 Police Stations and 19 Panchayat Samities of South & North 24-Parganas district. The administrative set up of Sundarban Area.



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North Bengal Development

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A landmark decision of the present Government, which took charge on 20.05.2011, was to create an exclusive Department for the comprehensive development of the eight (previously six) northern districts of West Bengal. Accordingly, the North Bengal Development Department came into being on 08.07.2011. The second landmark decision was the creation and setting up of a Branch Secretariat at Dabgram-Fulbari, Jalpaiguri district, very near to Siliguri. This was a step to bring the administration closer to the people of North Bengal.

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The North Bengal Development Department caters, approximately, to the needs of 22% population residing in 24% of the total area of West Bengal comprising of eight (8) districts, i.e., Cooch Behar, Alipurduar, Jalpaiguri, Darjeeling, Kalimpong, Uttar Dinajpur, Dakshin Dinajpur and Malda. The thrust area for developmental works differs from district to district because of the diversities and disparities within the districts of North Bengal. For example, Cooch Behar is one of the most riverine districts of the region. Similarly, about 18% of the area of Jalpaiguri and Darjeeling districts is covered by forests and