

# PWD Code Vol-1(10th April, 1961)

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## PREFACE

THE Bengal Public Works Department Code, First Edition, was published as early as in 1925. With the passing of years and the attainment of the country's independence in 1947 and the partition of Bengal, the Bengal Public Works Department Code was outdated and required thorough, revision. The work of its revision was accordingly taken up with the appointment of a Special Officer in September, 1952.

2. In preparing this new Code of the Public Works Department, Government of West Bengal, the arrangements in the old Bengal Public Works Department Code, 1st Edition, have been closely adhered to. The new Code has, however, been made as comprehensive as possible embodying in it all the relevant rules of the Bengal Public Works Department Code which are still in force, as also the various orders, rules and procedure relating to administration, execution and management of works of the department as issued by Government from time to time. An opportunity has also been taken to incorporate in the new compilation a chapter describing fully the powers which the various officers of the Public Works Directorate as well as some local officers of other departments of this Government now exercise in the different spheres of activity of the Public Works Department. The rules regarding contracts have also been elaborately dealt with in the Code for the guidance of officers of the Directorate. The new Code has been divided into two volumes -Volume 1 contains the text and Volume 2, the appendices and forms.

3. For facility of reference, a concordance has been inserted as an annexure to Volume 1 showing the source of each rule in the new Code. The Accountant-General, West Bengal, and the Heads of Departments under the Public, Works Department are requested to bring to the notice of the Public Works Department any suggestions for corrections or addition\* that may be considered necessary.

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