

Facebook account made mandatory for MGNREGA cells

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JALPAIGURI, AUG 14 /— / The central government has sought the help of a popular social networking site to draw the attention of the public and maintain transparency in its 100 days' work programmes. A letter sent by the Ministry of Rural Development explains it is mandatory for all Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Gurantee Act cells in the districts of Bengal to open a Facebook account. Sources from Jalpaiguri district MGNREGA cell said the ministry sent a letter on April 26 to the state Panchayat and rural development department stating it is mandatory for all MGNREGA cells to open Facebook accounts and stay connected to the ministry's account on the site in order to receive timely updates.

The directive states

concerned cells have to provide each and every detail of the 100 days' work programmes and upload all relevant photos on the site in order to maintain transparency. Jalpaiguri district MGNREGA officer Samiran Mandal informed the state panchayat and rural development department has circulated the directive to all the cells. He said, "This initiative taken by the state government will increase interaction between people and MGNREGA cells and will certainly help in maintaining coherence."

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