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Dearness Allowance – Revised Rates effective from 01.01.2022: DoE OM dated 31.03.2022

Government of India Ministry of Finance Department of Expenditure North Block, New Delhi No. 1/2/2022-E-II (B) Dated the 31st March, 2022.

Sub: Grant of Dearness Allowance to Centl Government employees – Revised Rates effective from 01.01.2022. The undersigned is directed to refer to this Min OM No. 1/4/2021-E-II (B) dt 25.10.2021 on the subject mentioned above and to say that the President is pleased to decide that the Dearness Allowance payable to Centl Govt emplys shall be enhanced from the existing rate of 31% to 34% of the Basic Pay with effect from 1.1.2022.

2. The term "Basic Pay" in the revised pay structure means the pay drawn in the prescribed Level in the Pay Matrix as per 7th CPC recommendations accepted by the Government, but does not include any other type of pay like special pay, etc.

3. The Dearness Allowance will continue to be a distinct element of remuneration and will not be treated as pay within the ambit of FR 9(21).

4. The payment on account of Dearness Allowance involving fractions of 50 paise and above may be rounded to the next higher rupee and the fractions of less than 50 paise may be ignored.

5. The payment of arrears of Dearness Allowance shall not be made before the date of disbursement of salary of March, 2022.

6. These orders shall also apply to the civilian employees paid from the Defence Services Estimates and the expenditure will be chargeable to the relevant head of the Defence Services Estimates. In respect of Armed Forces personnel and Railway employees, separate orders will be issued by the Ministry of Defence and Ministry of Railways, respectively.

7. In so far as the persons serving in the Indian Audit and Accounts Department are concerned, these orders are issued in consultation with the Comptroller and Auditor General of India, as mandated under Article 148(5) of the Constitution of India.

(Nirmala Devi) Director

FROM BPS ARCHIEVE

AS reported in the Press Information Bureau on 01.09.2000, with regards to the financial viability of BSNL, as well as the job security of the employees to be absorbed in BSNL.

SUMMARY

GOM Decides that Govt will Guarantee Pensionary Benefits to all Telecom Emplys after Corporatisation Job Security of the Employees will be Ensured even after their Absorption in the Corporate Entity Financial Viability of the Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited to be Fully Taken Care of Full Text of PIB release Ministry of Communication-01.09.2000

The Group of Ministers (GOM) constituted under the chairmanship of the Min of Communications, Shri Ram Vilas Paswan to facilitate corporatisation of the Deptt of Telecom Services (DTS) and the Deptt of Telecom Operations (DTO) has taken certain important decisions with regard to the pensionary benefits and job security of the telecom employees, and the financial viability of the proposed corporation - Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL).

In a meeting which ended late last evening the GOM has decided that Govt will guarantee pensionary benefits to all telecom employees after their transfer to and later their absorption in the corporate entity. The benefits of the pension will be the same as had been in the Govt service. In the framework that will be put in place, provisions have been made regarding transfer of the General Provident Fund, earned leave and half pay leave accounts to the corporate entity without causing any loss to the employees.

With regard to the demand of the employees Federations that the framework for determining pensionary and retirement benefits should not be based on the executive order of the Government but should form part of the statutory framework, the GOM has decided that the framework for adding the pensionary benefits would be introduced as a amendment under Article 309 of the Constitution to the CCS pension rules.

Addressing the concerns of the employee unions with regard to their job security the GOM has decided that the job security of the employees will be ensured even after their absorption in the proposed corporation. The employees concern was with regard to the danger of dismissal or removal from the service of the corporation after absorption resulting in possible forfeiture of retirement benefits or the service rendered under the Govt service. GOM has agreed to provide protection under

rules that in the event of dismissal or removal of any employee the administrative ministry would be consulted before taking a final decision.

The GOM has fully taken into account the concern of the Federations that the viability of the BSNL has to be ensured. It has decided that for discharging obligations in regard to rural telephony or any other uneconomic services, in accordance with any Govt directive for the implementation of national Telecom Policy-1999 (NTP-99), Bharat Sanchar Nigam would be duly compensated. Realizing that it would be a potent instrument in the hands of Govt for achieving its social objectives in regard to spread of telecommunication network in the country, GOM has further decided that under no circumstances Government would allow Bharat Sanchar Nigam to become non-viable as it has to be kept always in strong and healthy condition.

The Federations had been pressing for resolution of what they have perceived as anomaly in the pay scales of certain cadres. The GOM has decided to refer the cases to the arbitrator and the employees would also be offered the alternative that such anomalies could be considered after corporatisation by a Committee of the Board of the new Corporate entity.

The GOM has also decided to introduce a scheme and relevant modalities for introduction of Electronic Data Processing cadres for the Telecom Operating Assistants and Senior Telecom Operating Assistants in the Deptt. The Group has also agreed in principle to the demand for introduction of Telecom Attendants with a suitable redesignation. The long pending demand of giving parity to the Linemen /Wiremen/Telegraphmen on a par with postman has been accepted and the benefit will be made effective from 10.10.1997.

GOM has also accepted in principle to carry out cadre reviews of TES Group 'B' officers and Junior Telecom Officers (JTOs). It has also been decided to restructure the Accounts Cadre at the level of Junior Accounts Officer. The problems being faced in Grade IV were also discussed in depth and the technical issues will be sorted out shortly. The Government yesterday announced setting up of BSNL from 01.10.2000 by converting the DTS and DTO. In order to facilitate the process of corporatisation and to resolve the pending issues of the employees including pay fixation, pension and retirement benefits, the Government had also appointed a GOM chaired by Minister of Communications and comprising of Finance Minister, HRD Minister, Labour Minister, Commerce Minister and Minister of State for Personnel.

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BPS/SG/health/022/01 Dtd :3.3.022

To, The Honourable Minister of Health & Family Welfare GOI

The Honourable Minister For Defence GOI

The Honourable Minister for Railways

The Honourable MOS (PP) in PMO

Sub: Parity in Healthcare of Pensioners

Sir,

Bharat Pensioners Samaj the Federation of Pensioners with a reach to over 10lac penrs, one of the identified Penrs Welfare organ of DOP &PW and an associate NGO of International Federation on Ageing (IFA)- Canada submits following lines in connection with Parity in health care of Govt Penrs for your favourable consideration.

All lives are equal. One Country, one Constitution (of India), one Budget & One Ministry of Health & Family welfare. Still different healthcare Schemes for Govt. Pensioners under different Ministries . CGHS is the mother of all schemes but variation, deficiencies exist especially with respect to Railway Pensioners. Beating the principal of equality shrine in the sacred Constitution of India

NPOP 199, Parents & Sr Citizen maintenance Act 2007, NPHCE all speak of on priority, adequate quality healthcare of elderly.

According to Honourable Supreme Court of India Healthcare is the Fundamental right of present & past employees (Consumer Education and Research Centre & Others vs Union of India (AIR 1995 Supreme Court 922)

7th CPC recommends (Para 9.5.18(iii) of 7th CPC report): A combined entity of CGHS, ECHS-RELHS would result in a very strong network of health facilities for the Centl Govt employees/pensioners **Health is not a luxury” and “not be the sole possession of a privileged few”.** ***Bharat Pensioners Samaj pleads that, to ensure timely quality healthcare all Govt healthcare schemes for Retired employees should be merged and brought under one Umbrella i.e. MOH&FW to have one healthcare rule/Schemes without any scheme based, Ministry, department & discipline based discrimination***

This will not only reduce burden of administrative Ministries but will also save Pensioners in the evening of their lives from anxieties & discrimination especially in case of Rly Pensioners.

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Hoping for a favourable consideration.

Thanking you With regards

Yours truly,

S.C.Maheshwari, Secy Genl. B P S.

C/- To the Secy GOI M/O Personnel, PG, AR & Pensions. C/ To the Secy M/O H&FW C/ To the CRB/CEO Railway Board C/To The Secretar MOD

No BPS/SG/022/ AGM/03 Dtd 09.03.2022

To, The Surveyor General of India

Survey of India, P.B. No. 37,

Hathibarkala Estate,

Dehra Dun(Uttarakhand). 248001.

(kind attention: Dr. U.R. Mishra, DSG),

Sub: Revision of pension of pre 1996 retirees.

Unanimous Resolution No. 16 adopted at the 66th AGM(Virtual) of BPS on 30th Nov. 2021.

Ref. Your No. 01-286/2158- Lok Shikayat dated 22.2.2022.

Sir,

Thank you for your response to our letter for follow up action on the Resolution No.16, to remove the Genuine Grievances of the Community of Pensioners in India.

The purpose behind these efforts is to bring relief to the community of pensioners in the country, who gave their best to the Gov't., in their heyday.

In this particular case, you will readily appreciate that the persons aggrieved are very old penrs(now in their 80's and older) who retired before 1.1.96.

This Resolution was adopted as the affected pensioners, whose post had been upgraded on 1.1.96, brought to notice of the General Body of BPS that many of them(including Pre-96 Retired Deputy Directors, Survey of India) were suffering right from 1.1.96, as their pensions were being paid on the Routine Basis of Last Pay Drawn in the then prevailing lower pay scale for the post, which is INAPPLICABLE in their cases as it infringes the sanctified principle of 'Modified' Parity of Pensions granted under DoP&PW OM dated 17.12.1998. **First their pension on 1.1.96 needs to be revised in accordance with above quoted OM of 17.12.1998. so as to ensure that it is Not less than what they are entitled to at the minimum of the Revised scale of the post on 1.1.96(and then on 1.1.2006),**

Your routine reply that you have Revised earlier pensions as per Gov't. Orders quoted by you does not redress their pathetic Grievance as their

pension prior to 1.1.2016 itself was wrong and needed to be revised. It is pointed out that the orders quoted by you do not supersede the earlier orders, but only add to them. All relevant orders of the Gov't. have to be followed strictly. First Their existing pensions on 1.1.96 and then on 1.1.2006 have to be revised; and their entitled pension on Parity w.e.f. 1.1.2016 has to be determined with use of applicable Concordance Table (pertaining to the upgraded scale) at the correct stage, as per Extant Gov't. Orders.

Since the ultimate purpose is not merely to know why the genuine Grievances have escaped redress so far but also to take appropriate measures to remove them without any further delay, I would request you to kindly revise their pensions first from 1.1.96 and then from 1.1.2006. Thereafter, their pension may be revised w.e.f. 1.1.2016, as per the Orders quoted by you.

In view of the long time that has already elapsed in doing justice to very old/hapless pensioners/family pensioners and the nominees of life-time arrears, it is requested that IMMEDIATE action may, now, kindly be initiated to revise their pensions from 1.1.96 and disburse the Arrears at the earliest.

Bharat Pensioners Samaj would be grateful to you for this act of kindness to hapless old pensioners in the evening of their lives.

With regards, Yours faithfully,

(S.C. Maheshwari), Secy Genl, B P S.

Copy w.c.t. the Secy, DS&T, Technology Bhawan, New Mehrauli Road, Qutab Enclave, New Delhi 110016, along with a copy of the Resolution No.16. Copy to Shri GS Oberoi, President, AIAROSI, E 64, Sector 21, Jal Vayu Vihar, Noida(UP). 201301.

No.BPS/SG/Rly/Med/01 Dated - 05.03.2022

To, The Honorable Minister for Railways GoI
The CRB/CEO GOIMOR Railway Board
(For the kind attention of Sh. Ashwini Vaishnav & Sh.V K Tripathi)

Sub: 1. Refund of amount charged against flopped Smart card Schemes.

2. Suo motu conversion of RELHS cards to UMID cards

Sir.

It is observed that despite many efforts, the elderly Rly pensioners are always ignored & the timely quality treatment of various chronic diseases is **BHARAT PENSIONER**

often denied by the Railways Health department. The pensioners are taken to be an easy prey by the Railway's medical department. On the pretext of quick and good treatment, various schemes like Smart card/CTSE card are launched flinching and looting the elderly Pensioners, without giving any benefit by way of timely quality treatment even in emergencies (w/o referral).

Following are the details of Schemes which flopped due to indifference attitude of Railways health department but the amount charged from penrs for joining these Schemes is not refunded.

1. RELHS Card costing full last month salary of retiring employees/2 revised basic pensions of the retired, on the assurance of life long validity to avail Rly medical facilities throughout the country. Now it has become invalid on the launch of UMID Card. **Lakhs of beneficiaries are yet to get UMID Cards but it has been made Compulsory for availing even day-to-day medical attendance/treatment rendering RELHS card invalid resulting in huge sufferings to such beneficiaries. Those who could generate UMID card are unable to get treatment in private empanelled hospitals without referral. Even when they visit Rly hospitals/health units other than the one recorded in UMID card. They are not readily entertained. Bharat Pensioners Samaj demands continued validity of RELHS cards till SUO Motto conversion of RELHS cards to UMID cards and proper implementation of all facilities promised. in UMID card.**

2. SMART CARD scheme launched in Feb 2008 abandoned in Jan 2011 W/O intimating reasons to beneficiaries. The Amount charged need to be refunded with interest.

3. In July 2012 a similar scheme was launched but could not be implemented properly due to indifferent attitude of Rly Medical authorities..

4. CTSE smart card CASHLESS TREATMENT SCHEME IN EMERGENCY INTRODUCED In July 2016 at the cost up to Rs 30,000/- to Pensioners (according to pre retrial status). Scheme is stated to have been closed in minutes of NFIR PNM 1st & 2nd December 2021 item 7/2017). However, there is ambiguity beneficiaries are confused. CTSE Portal is still working giving an impression that the scheme is in force. CTSE card is not recognised in CTSE empanelled hospitals. Apparently Scheme

has flopped. Amount paid by pensioners to join CTSE scheme needs to be refunded with interest. 5. Last but not the least the Railway Hospitals & Health Units are under invested do not have adequate infrastructure/facilities always short of medicines & manpower etc (Vol II Para 2 of Rationalization of Government bodies proposals for Rly Ministry August 2021).The prescribed medicines are never issued in one go, thus the elderly persons have to visit the Hospital/health unit again and again.

Sir, Considering the services of present pensioners to the Railways and the Country for a long time. BPS expects positive action by refunding the amount charged for Smart card 2008 & CTSE card, **as well as Suo-moto issue of UMID cards to all RELHS card holders and to allow existing RELHS cards till UMID card is issued to all beneficiaries.**

Thanking you.

With regards

yours faithfully,

S.C.Maheshwari, Secy Genl, B P S

NO: BPS/BDPA(I)/Med/CGHS Dtd 28.02.22

To, Hon'ble Shri Narendrabhai Modi Ji,
Prime Minister of India,

Sub: Request to Review procedure for reverting to C.G.H.S. by BSNL Pensioners.

Jay Shri Krishna,

1. With all hopes of ray in you, we earnestly approach your office to acquaint you on the difficulties being faced by BSNL Pensioners due to unsympathetic and authoritative attitude of BSNL Authorities to hear and solve their grievances in true spirit. Prior to reverting to your office, we had endeavored to resolve our issue by addressing a letter No: BDPA(I)/Med/CGHS/2020 Dated 9th July, 2020 to Hon'ble MOC; vital para focusing on our demand raised therein reads:

“We therefore earnestly propose that the present procedure of migrating to CGHS from BSNLMRS may kindly be modified in consultation with the Health Ministry for acceptance of undertaking by BSNL that it will clear the dues against such expenditure within certain time limits. The undertaking should also contain equivalent CDA Pay Scale as against IDA Pay Scale. In other word, the BSNL Penrs should not be asked to pay the require amount, but the surrender their Medical
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Identity Card and should be authorized to get their CGHS Facility card against the undertaking given by the BSNL. In long run, it will result in minimizing expenditure towards medical reimbursement for BSNL Penrs.”

2. We with all possible patience kept ourselves waiting for consideration of genuine requests; but all hope went in vain. So, Sir, with all respects, confidence, belief and trust and realization that you are concerned for the citizen of the country and the government is taking all the steps to not only to revive BSNL but to make BSNL a Competitive Entity in the country; so that the private communication is not getting free hand to exploit the citizen of the country in providing them communication and other value-added services; addressing this letter to you.

3. As DoT has given clearance for switching over of BSNL Pensioners to CGHS Scheme by one time subscription payment; Settlement of our issue will pave way for fiscal upliftment of BSNL in long run and will be fiscally sound to meet with all competitors as will have more financial saving and blessings from the BSNL Pensioners. We have our say in following paragraphs.

4. In order to minimize its paper work, fiscal fluctuating liability and save manpower and taking into consideration a decision of DoT - that BSNL Pensioners being of Govt. Pension; are eligible to avail C.G.H.S. Facility on one time payment- the BSNL Corporate Office has issued orders permitting the BSNL Pensioners to switch over to C.G.H.S. as against the facility of BSNLMRS available to them by surrendering their Medical Identity Card.

5. We are fully aware that the logic behind this decision was to save BSNL from further loss as day-by-day number of BSNL Pensioners was increasing and it was rather prudent move adopting move of DoT and to allure the BSNL Pensioners to accept the Option. And in turn the Orders to this effect have already been issued and exemplary marketing is being undertaken by BSNL Offices to convince the BSNL Pensioners to switch over to CGHS from BSNLMRS.

6. For switching over to C.G.H.S. from BSNLMRS, *encumber some modus operandi* has been framed and circulated which asks the BSNL Penr to surrender his Medical Identity Card, to give “No Due

Certificate” and to get a certificate from BSNL Office and to approach concern CCA to get his IDA pay equivalent to C.D.A. Then he has to approach CGHS Office to fill up a form and know the amount of his subscription and rush to submit his form and transfer money LINE as DD are not accepted. On completion of this procedure, Pensioner is given a letter giving him his Card Number as issuance of regular card takes months to gather.

7. After completing formalities with CGHS Authorities, he has to submit his claim for reimbursement of one-time CGHS Subscription to BSNL Authorities.

8. BSNL authorities notwithstanding the fact it has all Bank Details of BSNL Pensioner and effects transfer to them for indoor/outdoor & fixed medical allowance on line; here it issues DD and post to the BSNL Pensioner which is very strange.

9. Since we were in tune with Company’s thinking, accepted with all gratitude; proposing to Hon’ble MOC that the present procedure of migrating to CGHS from BSNLMRS may kindly be modified in consultation with Health Ministry for acceptance of undertaking by BSNL that it will clear the dues against such expenditure within certain time limits. The undertaking should also contain equivalent CDA Pay Scale as against IDA Pay Scale.

10. We demand that the BSNL Pensioners should not be asked to pay the required amount and surrender their Medical Identity Card’ but should be authorized to get their CGHS Facility card against giving their option to BSNL on line and simultaneously their medical should get invalidated automatically on procuring their eCard from CGHS Authorities. In the long run, it will result in minimizing expenditure towards medical reimbursement for BSNL Pensioners.

11. On 11th February 2022, we learnt that the CMD BSNL had in a meeting with Pensioners Association, while discussing the issue, had instructed the Director HR to open to open a window immediately for payment of one-time CGHS contribution directly by BSNL to CGHS to facilitate migration to CGHS and keep it open till 31st March, 2022.

12. Sir, we are shocked and rather pain to know that a ray of hope given to Associations by CMD BSNL has not been heard by the Administrative Heads who deals with the subject and once again their

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mindset has prevailed upon to convince the superior that it will not be easy to open a window as assured and find out shortcuts in a way they like, where final option of honoring assurance will naturally depend on the BSNL Administration.

13. We enclose herewith a copy of the BSNL CO Order No: BSNLCO-ADMN/12/2/2022-ADMN dt 14.02.2022 on “Time Bound reimbursement of one time payment of CGHS subscription to eligible Optees up to 31.03.2022” citing its lt dt 02.04.2014, 29.07.2016, 08.05.2020 & 19.06.2020. its last Para reads:

“In this regard, BSNL Mgmt has decided that those Retirees/VRS Optees who have not opted CGHS facility so far, if they switch over to CGHS by 31.03.2022, reimbursement of one-time payment of their CGHS Subscription will be paid within one month of submission of their claim in BSNL.”

Based upon their experience, BSNL Pensioners are suspicious on implementation of the assurance as their Medical indoor/outdoor and Fixed Medical Reimbursement Bills are not paid since last three years whereas such bills of working employees are cleared up to date despite many assurances.

NOW, OUR HUMBLE PRAYER BEFORE YOUR AUGUST OFFICE IS:

A. Sir, with all respect to you, we earnestly pray before you to kindly consider our just and genuine request of permitting BSNL Pensioners to opt for the CGHS Scheme and to open a window asking for such option with required declarations/certificates within stipulated time frame.

B. The last pay drawn should be shown as is in revised Pension w.e.f. 01.01.2007 and as subscription is determined on pay scales of 6th CPC.

C. Then Corporate Office/Concerned CGM as your administration finds suitable, should affect the payment of one-time subscription for all such BSNL Pensrs, providing all required information directly to the CGHS Authorities for issuance of CGHS Card.

D. On completion “B” CGHS Authorities should issue the e.CGHS Card, as it is done presently for who are paying directly as even to-day there is long queue for plastic cards.

E. There is no need to surrender BSNL Medical Identity Card, as it will automatically stand cancelled on receipt of information regarding issuance of eCard to Pensioners.

F. So far as payment of one-time subscription to

concerned authorities is concerned, alike VRS-2019 scheme, BSNL Should clear the payment within stipulated time and in turn CGHS Authorities should issue eCard; this is possible as there are CGMs, Business Heads and CCA Offices to extend their timely help to complete the work in time.

Sir, we are once again praying for the above procedure, as we have seen that BSNL Penrs are made to run from pillar to post by CCA/PGM, GM to have required certificate physically as there is no arrangement anywhere to attend such requests of the BSNL Penrs and sometimes mischievous elements take advantage of situation exploiting BSNL Penrs.

Sir, we are addressing this prayer to you as we have implicit trust in your office and have all the hope that we will be able to get justice on your kind intervention to heal our health/financial issue, as majority of penrs after more than a decade after their retirement has no money with them to pay one time subscription to pay and then to wait for passing of their claim and also run from pillar to post to get avoidable certificate and details which are already available with the authorities in their Data Bank.

We have been suffering since long and will be suffering for some more time with a ray of hope that the Govt. which means governance and governance only; will consider our situation and take positive action in time.

We hope that our prayer will be viewed in right perspective. With regard, Yours Sincerely,
(DD Mistry) Secy BSNL/PSU B P S

Copy to: 1. Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw, MOC, New Delhi. 2. Hon'ble Shri Mansukh L. Mandaviya, Minister for Health & Family Welfare, New Delhi. 3. Dr. P.K. Purwar, C.M.D. BSNL, New Delhi 4. Shri K Rajaraman, Secretary, IAS, DoT, New Delhi 5. The Director HR, BSNL, New Delhi.

No. BPS/VP/RK/Med/01 Dated - 04.03.2022
The Honorable Minister for Railways, Gol
The CRB/CEO MOR Railway Board
Sub: Cheating by Railways Health Department.
Sir.

It is observed that despite many efforts. The elderly Rly penrs are always ignored & the timely quality treatment of various chronic diseases is often denied by the Rlys Health deptt. The penrs are taken to be an easy prey by the Rly's medical deptt.
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On the pretext of quick and good treatment, various schemes like Smart card/CTSE card are launched flitching and looting the elderly Penrs, without giving any benefit by way of timely quality treatment.

I am appending below the various flop schemes for your kind consideration, wherein the Penrs ended up shelling out a considerable amount. Schemes flopped but the amount charged not refunded.

1. RELHS Card introduced costing full last month salary of retiring employees on the assurance of lifelong validity to avail Rly medical facilities throughout the country, now has become invalid on the launch of UMID Card. Lakhs of beneficiaries are yet to get UMID Card but it has been made Compulsory rendering RELHS card invalid resulting in huge sufferings to such beneficiaries.

2. SMART CARD Scheme launched in Feb 2008 abandoned in Jan 2011 W/O intimating reasons to beneficiaries, but Amount Charged not refunded.

3. In July 2012 a similar Scheme was launched but Could not be implemented properly due to indifferent attitude of Rly Medical authorisation.

4. CTSE smart card for CASHLESS TREATMENT SCHEME IN EMERGENCY) INTRODUCED In July 2016 at the cost up to Rs 30,000/- according to pre retrial status.

Scheme closed (Minutes NFIR PNM 1st & 2nd December 2021 item 7/2017).

However, there is ambiguity beneficiaries have not been informed about closure but Portal which is still working. Amount paid by them is not refunded. Card not being recognized by CTSE empanelled hospitals. (may connect joint letter by ex Member Staff & and ex FC addressed to then CRB Sh. V. K. Yadav. (Copy attached)

5. Last but not the least the Railway Hospitals & Health Units are under invested do not have adequate facilities always short of medicines etc (Vol II Para 2 of Rationalization of Government bodies proposals for Rly Ministry August 2021). The prescribed medicines are never issued in one go, thus the elderly persons have to visit the Hospital/health unit again and again.

6. Several Doctors do not behave properly e.g. In the Geriatric Room No 39 in the Northern Railway Central Hospital is manned by Dr. Namita Negi, is

allergic to senior citizen patients and avoids to issuing medicines for chronic diseases as per prescription by the Specialists & misbehave with Sr citizens. Complaints against her fall on deaf ears. Sir, Considering the services of present pensioners to the Railways and Country for a long time undersigned expect positive action by refunding the amount charged for Smart card 2008, CTSE card, Suo-moto issue of UMID cards to all RELHS card holders and to allow existing RELHS card till UMID card is issued to all beneficiaries.

Thanking you Yours faithfully,

Raj Kumar Nanda, Vice President (HQ) B P S

ACTIVITIES OF ASG BPS SH. HARCHANDAN SINGH DURING 2021-22

1. a) Redressal of Grievances of Pensioners:

Submitted following Memorandums to various authorities to redress the grievances of Pensioners:

- i) Extension of Date for Reimbursement for purchase of chronic cases medicines.
- ii) Memo to CRB Reg validity of RELHS Cards till issue of UMID Card.
- iii) Memo to CRB Reg OPD Treatment in Railway & CGHS empanelled private hospitals.
- iv) Memorandum to DOP&PW Reg DLC Iris Devices,
- v) Memo to DRM UMB for UMID Camps.
- vi) Memorandum to Dir(PW) DOP&PW Reg DLC Iris Devices.
- vii) Memo to CMS UMB Reg Implementation of RB Orders Dated 16-6-2021.
- viii) Memo to CMS Reg Denial of Cashless Treatment by MAX Hospital .
- ix) Memo to GM NR Reg Budget for Medical Deptt of UMB Divn.
- x) Memo to DRM UMB Reg Treatment in Emergency RB Orders

b) DEVELOPING HEALTH AWARENESS THROUGH MEDICAL CAMPS & SEMINARS:

Medical Seminar & Camp was held during the year to develop greater awareness amongst the elderly Members for better health care.

2. MEETINGS

Virtual General Body Meetings were held during the year 2021-22 COVID Pandemic. Detailed discussions were held on the problems and grievances of the Pensioners, remedial steps to be taken for the same.

For the Personal Attention of PCDA (P) Prayagraj BPS/CSR/VP/336 dated 10.03.2022

To, The P C D A (Pension), Draupadi Ghat, Prayagraj (Allahabad) – 211014 Uttar Pradesh
Sub: Inclusion of Name of disabled Son P Sai Sravan S/o Late Lt. Col K Padmavathi (MNS) NR 14937
Ref: My Letter Dt: 04.01.2022 to your Office for the Personal Attention of Shri H P Verma Senior Accounts Officer.

Respected Sir,

Sri P Viswanath husband and Family Pensioner of Late Lt Col K Padmavathi (MNS) N R 14937 was making correspondence with PCDA(O) Pune & your office on the above subject since 2 years and supporting documents for inclusion of name of disabled son P. Sai Sravan in the PPO as next eligible member for Family Pension have been submitted to your Office vide PCDA(O) Pune Letter Dt: 10.08.2020 and my Letter Dt: 04.01.2022.

Since no response is forthcoming from your Office, on the request of Sri P Viswanath the case was taken up by our Assn Viz., Bharat Pensioner Samaj New Delhi and even after 2 months your Office is not kind enough to issue at least interim reply.

I, therefore, request you, Sir, to kindly look into the matter and expedite issue of Corrigendum PPO including therein the name of disabled son of Late Lt. Col. K Padmavathi for which act of kindness I shall ever be grateful.

With Kind Regards,

Yours Faithfully,

Sd/

(C S Rayulu) Vice President (S Zone) B P S, N D.

Inordinate delay in Family Pension to siblings. Banks not returning PPOs of deceased pensioners.

BPS writes to Secy. financial Services

NO: BPS/RP/NJP/M/03/22 DATE: 16-03-2022

To, Sri Sanjoy Malhotra, IAS, Secy, Financial Services, Deptt of Finl Services, Min of Fin, GOI Sir,

Sub:- Inordinate delay in releasing Life Time Family Pensions to the children of deceased Rly Penrs on account of Non-Return of original disburser's portion of PPO with LPC by the CPPC of Nationalized Banks.

Ref: Status report of Pension Adalat held at Katihar of N. F. Railway on 07-03-2022.

Enclosed, please find hereunder a list of children of deceased pensioners, whose eligibility to get Life Time Family Pensions, are accepted by the Competent Authority of N. F. Rly since long, but

no PPOs could be released on account of non-return of disburser's portion of PPOs by the CPPC of Nationalized Banks.

That, the Railway Administration, as reported in the Pension Adalat, sent several reminders to the Bank Authority, but all went in vain.

That, our organization also requested the CPPC to take action on the letters of N. F. Railway, but of no result. Even the Banking OMBUDSMAN also did not take any action on the issue.

That, it is also to be taken in view that, the Railway Administration is also sitting tight, on the above plea for years together dragging the issue from one Pension Adalat to the other.

That, all of our requests to issue Provisional PPO,

as interim measures, to save the poor children from destitution, have so far been ignored.

That, the above are cases of only one Division of Rly. The similar problems are being faced by the poor applicants in other area of Indian Railways also.

Under the circumstances, I, on behalf of my organ, request your honour to take immediate action so that, the CPPCs are made to comply promptly with the above demands of the Rly Authority in returning back of the said original PPOs and LPC, based on which pension was paid to the parents of the applicants.

With regards, Yours faithfully,

Sd/- (Bimalendu Chakraborty) Secy (Rly Pens)

Bharat Pensioners Samaj /NDLS

Annexure

List of Beneficiaries for Life Time Family Pension as per Status Report of Pension Adalat held at Katihar of N. F. Railway on 07-03-2022.

S/N Dept.	Applicants name and details	PPO No. & Date of deceased Penr	Parents Bank/ CPPC particulars	Remarks of Pension Adalat
1 Engg.	Smt. Urmila Devi, widow daughter of Late Balindra Bhagat, ex.Mate/SSEP. Way/NJP	0206961881 Dt. 31-12-1996	Central Bank of India, 2nd Floor MMO Building, MG Road, Fort, Mumbai-400001	5th reminder sent to CPPC Mbai on 2.11.21 for return of original PPO
2 Tfc.	Smt. Gita Majumdar Dhar, widow daughter of Late Hari Prasad Majumdar, ex.AYM/NJP	KIR/PN/2966 Dt. 30-06-1983	-do-	Letter sent to CPPC/Bank for return of the original PPO with LPC
3 Mech.	Smt. Manabi Guha, widow daughter of Lt S R Sarkar, ex. Fitter/II/SGUJ	KIR/PN/2028 Dt. 20-07-1981	-do-	-do-
4 Med.	Miss Sangita Basfore, U/M daughter of Late Sudai Basfore, ex. S/ Cleaner under CMH/NJP	1608020680 Dt. 31-07-2002	State Bank of India, Samriddhi Bhavan, 7th Floor, Strand Road, KOL-700001	-do-
5 Mech.	Ms Kalyani Chakraborty, U/M D/o Lt Manmatha Nath Chakraborty, ex.OS/SSE/Loco/NJP	KIR/PN/5391 Dt. 30-10-1999	United Bank of India/ PNB 11, Hemanta Basu Sarani, 4th Flr, Kol-700001	-do-
6 Mech.	Smt. Banani Saha, Divorced daughter of Lt Gajendra Nath Saha, Floor, Lokhra Charali, ex.Mail/ Express Driver/NJP	0207990438 Dt. 31-05-1999	State Bank of India, Subham Greens 3rd NH-37, Guhati, Assam-781034	-do-
7 Mech.	Miss Rekha Das, U/M daughter of Late Mano Mohan Das, ex. Driver/	KIR/PN/2381 Dt. 30-01-1982 C/NJP	United Bank of India/ PNB 11, Hemanta Basu Sarani, 4th Flr, Kol-700001	-do-

Sd/ (Bimalendu Chakraborty) Secretary (Railway Pensioners) Bharat Pensioners Samaj /NDLS

Central Government Pensioners 2324. Shri Thirunavukkarasar SU: Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (DEPARTMENT OF PENSION AND NERS' WELFARE) LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2324 (Answered on 16.03.2022)

- (a) the estimated number of retired persons availing Central Government pension in the country, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has any proposal to utilize doorstep services of postal department for submission of Digital Life Certificate (DLC) through postman in order to ease the process;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the time by which the above proposal is likely to be implemented?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and pensions and Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office (Dr Jitendra Singh) (a) As per database maintained by Central Pension Accounting Office (CPAO), Contoller General of Defence Accounts Ministry of Railways, Department of Telecommunications, Department of Post, the estimated number of retired persons availing Central Government pension is at Annexure-I.

(b) to (d); With a view to make Doorstep Services for submission of Life Certificate available to all pensioners across the country and to ease the process, the Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare roped in the India Posts and Payment Bank (IPPB) under the Department of Post for Digital Life Certificate. The IPPB has started the Doorstep Service of obtaining Life Certificate in November, 2020 through its network of Postmen & Gramin Dak Sevaks.

Annexure: I

The approximate number of Central Government Pensioners as on 31.03.2021 is as follows:

S. No.	Pensioner/Family Pensioner	Number of Pensioners including Family Peners
A	Pensioners (incl Family Penrs) of all Ministries/Departments under the Accounting jurisdiction of Contoller Genl of A/c, M/O Finance. (Central Pension Accounting Office (CPAO), Deptt of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance is responsible for maintaining the penrs' data & incurring expenditure on payment of pension/family pension. Civil Mins include all the CAPFs viz. BSF, CRPF, Assam Rifles, SSB, CISF, ITBP under MHA as well.)	11,06,000 (FP 3,50,000)
B	Defence Pensioners (incl Family Penrs) (The data and accounts etc. of these pensioners are maintained by Contoller General of Defence Accounts (CGDA), Ministry of Defence.	34,10,567 (FP 9,36,192)
C	Rly Penrs incl Family Pensioner (The data and accounts etc. of these pensioners are maintained by Ministry of Railways)	15,54,585 (FP 6,59,483)
D	Telecom Penrs (incl Family Penrs) (The data and accounts etc. of these penrs are maintained by Deptt of Telecommunication)	4,67,751 (FP 1,16,000)
E	Postal Pensioners (incl Family Penrs) (The data and accounts etc. of these pensioners are maintained by Deptt of Posts)	3,23,562 (FP 99,133)
	GRAND TOTAL OF PENSIONERS (incl Family Pensioners)	68,62,465
	GRAND TOTAL OF FAMILY PENSIONERS ONLY	21,60,808

*As per the data received from the CPAO, Defence, Railways, Telecom & Posts.

Government of India Ministry of Health and Family Welfare Department of Health and Family Welfare Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1552 to be Answered on 15th March, 2022 Discrimination among Central Government Pensioners in respect of CGHS Facilities 1552 Smt. Phulo Devi Netam:

Will the Minister of Health and Family Welfare be pleased to state:-

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is creating division among the Central Government pensioners by offering discriminative options for opting CGHS facilities;

(b) if so, the reasons for creating such division among the Central Govt pensioners and depriving the long term CGHS pensioner beneficiaries; and
(c) whether Government is planning to revoke CGHS OM No. 5.14025/23/2013-MS.EHSS dated 29/09/2016 and introduce uniform CGHS options for all Central Government pensioners to bring all the pensioners at par, if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Dr. Bharati Pravin Pawar)

(a) & (b): Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) is a subscription based scheme. All central government pensioners are eligible to avail treatment benefits under the scheme on payment of requisite subscription. Those residing in CGHS covered areas may avail treatment (both OPD and IPD) facilities under the scheme on payment of requisite subscription & those residing in non-CGHS covered areas have the following options: -
(i) They can avail Fixed Medical Allowance (FMA);
(ii) They can avail benefits of CGHS (OPD and IPD) by registering themselves in the nearest CGHS city after making the required subscription; and
(iii) They also have the option to avail FMA for OPD treatment and CGHS for IPD treatments after making the required subscription as per CGHS guidelines.

(c): There is no such plan made by the Ministry.
GoI Ministry of Labour and Employment Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No: 1888 Answered on: 14.03.2022

New Pension for Employees of EPFO Bharatiben Dhirubhai Shyal Manne Srinivas Reddy Vellalath Kochukrishnan Nair. Sreekandan Y. S. Avinash Reddy Komati Reddy Venkat Reddy Rodmal Nagar

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Ravneet Singh Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to state :-

(a) whether the Government proposes to introduce pension for the employees of EPFO covered organized sectors getting more than Rs. 15000/- as basic salary;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which the said scheme is likely to be started; and
(c) the details of the features of the said scheme along with benefits the pensioners are likely to get from the said scheme;

(d) whether there has been demand for higher pension on higher contributions among the members of EPFO; and

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the other measures being taken by EPFO for the benefit of employees?

Answer

Minister of State for Labour and Employment (Shri Rameswar Teli)

(a): No, Sir.

(b) & (c): Does not arise.

(d) & (e): The issue of granting higher pension under the Employees' Pension Scheme, 1995 is sub-judice in the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.

Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) has taken various measures for the benefit of employees which, inter-alia, include online claim settlement, provision of e-nomination, settlement of pension claims on the date of retirement, and organising Pension Adalats.

Unstarred Question No: 732 Answered on: 07.02.2022 Recommendation of Koshyari Committee Regarding Pension Sujay Radhakrishna Vikhepatil, Unmesh Bhaiyasaheb Patil Heena Vijay kumar Gavit Aparupa Poddar Rajendra Dhedy Gavita Krishna Pal Singh Yadav Shrikant Eknath Shinde Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to state:-

(a) whether the Koshyari Committee has recommended for increase of minimum pension of EPS-95 Pensioners;

(b) if so, the details and the action taken so far by the Government on such recommendations;

(c) whether there is any proposal for giving dearness allowance to EPS-95 pensioners to neutralize the price index as given to Central Government pensioners;

(d) if so, whether the Government also proposes to extend 'Ayushman Bharat Yojana' to economically vulnerable EPS-95 pensioners to extend health care facilities; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the time by which these proposals are likely to be implemented?

Answer

Minister of State for Labour and Employment (Shri Rameswar Teli)

(a) & (b): Koshyari Committee had recommended, in the year 2013, to increase minimum pension to Rs. 3000 per month and also enhance Government's contribution from 1.16% to at least 8.33% of wages for the members of Employees' Pension Scheme (EPS), 1995. The Government has, for the first time, in the year 2014, provided a minimum pension of Rs. 1000 per month to the pensioners under EPS, 1995 by providing budgetary support, which was in addition to the budgetary support of 1.16% of wages provided annually towards EPS. For the year 2021-22, an amount of Rs.7364 crore has been provided for minimum pension and towards 1.16% of wages as Government contribution.

(c): The Employees' Pension Fund for EPS, 1995 is a self-financed fund. A High Empowered Monitoring Committee (HEMC) was constituted for evaluation and review of EPS, 1995 and the Committee did not recommend any linking of monthly pension with cost of living index as this may severely affect the financial health of the Employees' Pension Fund, as assessed by the Actuary appointed by the Government under paragraph 32 of the EPS, 1995. However, as recommended by the HEMC, the Government has notified its decision vide G.S.R. 132 (E) dated 20.02.2020 for restoration of normal pension after completion of fifteen years from the date of such commutation, in respect of those members who availed the benefit of commutation of pension under the erstwhile paragraph 12A of the EPS, 1995, on or before 25.09.2008.

(d) & (e): The Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PMJAY) is an entitlement based scheme and the beneficiary families are drawn from Socio Economic Caste Census database by applying specific deprivation criteria for rural areas and occupational criteria for urban areas.

However, there is no provision in the EPS, 1995 to provide medical facilities to the EPS pensioners.

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Static Dearness Allowance and Dearness Relief – What are the reasons that Dearness Allowance (DA) and Dearness Relief (DR) of Central Government employees have remained static at 3 per cent increase Government of India Ministry of Finance Department of Expenditure Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1477 To be answered on Tuesday, 15th March, 2022 Phalguna 18, 1943 (Saka) Static DA/DR 1477:

Shri Naranbhai J. Rathwa: Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India's retail inflation including food inflation is increasing for the past one year;

(b) If so, what are the reasons that Dearness Allowance (DA) and Dearness Relief (DR) of Central Government employees have remained static at 3 per cent increase;

(c) whether the inflation rate of last two quarters of 2021 have shown increase in prices of various commodities; and

(d) if so, whether Government would consider giving DA/DR in accordance with the prices and would not maintain DA/DR at static 3 per cent?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance (Shri Pankaj Chaudhary)

(a) Yes Sir, details of retail inflation rate and food inflation are given in Annexure-I ;

(b) Dearness Allowance(DA) and Dearness Relief (DR), to Central Government employees and pensioners respectively, is calculated on the basis of rate of inflation as per All India Consumer Price Index for Industrial Workers (AICPI-IW), released by Labour Bureau, M/o of Labour and Employment;

(c) The information in respect of retail inflation rate for last two quarters of 2021 is:

Quarter	Average inflation rate
July 2021 to September 2021	5.08
October 2021 to December 2021	5.01

(d) Does not arise in view of (b) above.

Annexure-I

All India year on year inflation rate based on CPI for the combined sector (Base Year 2012=100)

Year/Month	Inflation rate (CPI)	Inflation rate (CFPI)
January, 2021	4.06	1.96
February, 2021	5.03	3.87

March, 2021	5.52	4.87
April, 2021	4.23	1.96
May, 2021	6.30	5.01
June, 2021	6.26	5.15
July, 2021	5.59	3.96
August, 2021	5.30	3.11
September, 2021	4.35	0.68
October, 2021	4.48	0.85
November, 2021	4.91	1.87
December, 2021	5.66	4.05
January, 2022	6.01	5.43

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Centralised Public Grievances Redress and Monitoring System (CPGRAMS)

Rajya Sabha Q -Proposal for additional quantum of Pension

Government of India Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions (Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare) Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2520 (To be Answered on 24.03.2022) Proposal for Additional Quantum of Pension 2520 Shri Narain Dass Gupta: Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

- whether the present pensions in the lower rungs are commensurate to the current higher cost of living, if adjusted to the rate of inflation;
- whether the proposal of the Parliament Standing Committee on additional quantum of pension to central pensioners below 80 years of age is being considered;
- whether Government has prepared a roadmap to implement the recommendations of the Standing Committee; and
- whether the re-implementation of the old pension policy is being considered by Government as pension is the only means of sustenance after retirement for a large section of the society?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions and Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office (Dr. Jitendra Singh)

- Yes, Sir. In order to protect the erosion in the real value of basic pension on account of inflation, Dearness Relief is granted to the pensioners and family pensioners of Central Government. The rates of the Dearness Relief are revised periodically, at every six months, on the basis of rate of inflation

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as per All India Consumer Price Index for Industrial Workers released by Labour Bureau, Ministry of Labour and Employment.

(b) & (c): In its 110th report, the Department Related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice expressed the view that the Government should sympathetically consider the demand of Pensioners' Associations for additional quantum of pension at the rate of 5%, 10% and 15% of basic pension on attaining the age of 65 years, 70 years and 75 years, respectively to the pensioners and recommended the Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare to pursue the matter with Ministry of Finance. Accordingly, after working out the likely financial implications based on the data made available by the concerned Departments, a reference in this regard has been made to Ministry of Finance (Department of Expenditure).

(d): There is no such proposal under consideration of the Government

Lok Sabha Q Local purchase of medicine in AYUSH Wellness centres of CGHS

Government of India Ministry of Health and Family Welfare Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No:3826

Answered on: 25.03.2022 Local purchase of AYUSH medicines under CGHS S. Ramalingam Will the Minister of Health and Family Welfare be pleased to state:-

- whether the Government has put in place effective mechanism allowing local purchase of medicines, authorized local chemists and medical reimbursement facilities in AYUSH Wellness Centres of CGHS in the country;
- if so, the details thereof and if not the reasons therefor;
- the total number of CGHS beneficiaries/patients who availed the facilities under each of such initiatives/ arrangements along with total amount spent for the same during last three years, unit-wise and dispensary wise particularly in Siddha units;
- whether the Government proposes to expand and open new AYUSH Wellness Centres particularly Siddha Wellness Centres in the country; and
- if so, the details thereof and if not the reasons therefor?

Answer

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Dr. Bharati Pravin Pawar)

(a) to (e): Formulary medicines are sufficiently available in AYUSH dispensaries/ units under Centrl Govt Health Scheme (CGHS). Purchase of medicines through Authorized Local Chemists (ALCs) is made only in case of those medicines prescribed by specialists outside the formulary. Repeated tendering for the appointment of ALCs for the supply of medicines in AYUSH dispensaries/ units under CGHS has not yielded results. However, following options are available to the beneficiaries in case of non-availability of prescribed medicines in AYUSH dispensaries/ units:

(i) They may collect medicines indented through ALCs from AYUSH dispensaries/units after the supply thereof reaches the concerned dispensary/ unit.

(ii) They may purchase the prescribed medicines from open market and claim reimbursement thereof. Medical reimbursement facility under the scheme is decentralized. Payment to the serving beneficiaries is made by the concerned Min/Deptt from its own Budget Head. Payment to the pensioner beneficiaries is made by CGHS. However, bifurcation thereof into AYUSH and Allopathy is not maintained under the scheme.

Opening of 53 AYUSH units (26 Ayurvedic and 27 Homeopathic) in the country is approved by Government. Details thereof are as under: -

Ayurvedic units: Guwahati, Vishakhapatnam, Gandhinagar, Faridabad, Shimla, Jammu, Ranchi, Bhopal, Jabalpur, Indore, Shillong, Dehradun, Ghaziabad, Greater Noida, Indirapuram, Noida, Sahibabad and Chandigarh Raipur, Puducherry, Aizawl, Agartala, Panaji, Gangtok, Imphal, Itanagar.

Homeopathic units: Visakhapatnam, Gandhinagar, Faridabad, Gurugram, Shimla, Jammu, Ranchi, Bhopal, Jabalpur, Indore, Shillong, Dehradun, Ghaziabad, Greater Noida, Indirapuram, Noida, Sahibabad, Chandigarh, Bhubaneswar, Raipur, Puducherry, Aizawl, Agartala, Panaji, Gangtok, Imphal, Itanagar.

Lok sabha question One Rank One Pension Scheme

Government of India Ministry of Defence Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No: 3696 Answered on: 25.03.2022

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One Rank One Pension Scheme Jaisiddeshwar Shivacharya Mahaswamiji Sougata Ray Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:-

(a) whether the Government has successfully implemented One Rank One Pension Scheme (OROP) for the soldiers;

(b) if so, the details and the present status of the implementation of the scheme;

(c) whether there has been undue delay in the implementation of the scheme and if so, the reasons therefor along with the expected time scheduled to complete the said process;

(d) whether there is any loop-holes in its implementation that is making few of the soldiers to run from pillar to post in order to get their grievances rectified; and

(e) whether there is a separate cell in the Ministry with dedicated staff to look into the matters of OROP and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

Minister of State (Shri Ajay Bhatt) in the Ministry of Defence

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): The Government has implemented One Rank One Pension (OROP) vide MoD letter no. 12(1)/2014/D(Pen/Pol)-Part-II dated 07.11.2015 and tables for fixation of pension were issued vide MoD letter no. 12(1)/2014/D(Pen/Policy)-Part-II dtd 03.02.2016.

(c): No, Sir.

(d): No, Sir.

(e): No, Sir.

Rajya Sabha question regarding reintroduction of old Pension Scheme for Central Civil employees - March 25, 2022

Government of India Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions (Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare) Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2518 (To be Answered on 24.03.2022) Restoration of Old Pension Scheme 2518 Shri Md. Nadimul Haque: Shri Deepender Singh Hooda:

Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to reintroduce the Old Pension Scheme (OPS) following the demands for same that has risen from various quarters;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government is aware that experts have

pointed out that under the National Pension System(NPS), economic downturns can affect pensions as it is market-linked;

(d) whether Government is aware that under NPS, there is no proper safety net for retired employees as under the OPS;

(e) whether Government propose to adopt any measure to address these issues; and

(f) if so, the details including timeline regarding the same?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions and Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office (Dr. Jitendra Singh)

(a) & (b): The National Pension System (NPS) was introduced for Central Government employees w.e.f. 01.01.2004 vide Ministry of Finance (Department of Economic Affairs) Notification No. 5/7/2003-ECB & PR dated 22.12.2003 for all new recruits joining the Central Government service (except armed forces) from 01.01.2004.

On introduction of the National Pension System, the Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules, 1972 were amended. Accordingly, the benefits of old pension scheme under the Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules, 1972 are not admissible to the Central Government civil servants appointed on or after 01.01.2004, under the amended rules.

There is no proposal to reintroduce old pension scheme to Central Government civil employees joined on or after 01.01.2004 under consideration of Government of India.

(c) to (f): NPS is now regulated under PFRDA Act, 2013 and regulations framed there under by PFRDA and Department of Financial Services. As per information furnished by Department of Financial Services:

The returns being market linked is a basic design feature of the National Pension System (NPS), however, pension being a long term product also enables the investments to grow with decent returns, despite short term volatility. Further, the prudential guidelines stipulated by the Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA), the skills of the professional Fund Managers chosen through a rigorous process, and choice of asset allocation across various asset

classes (Equity, Corporate Bond, Government Securities) enable the subscriber's accumulations to grow over the long term, riding over the short term volatility.

To safeguard the interest of the subscribers against any possible erosion of the pension wealth in times of an economic downturn, the exposure of equity/equity linked instruments have been limited to only 15 % in the default scheme, which is made available to the Government subscribers in a default mode. Equity exposure exceeding this limit of 15% is only available for the subscribers who choose to exercise individual investment choice while moving out of the default scheme. Further, risk averse subscribers can also choose to invest their entire contribution (100%) in Government bonds.

Rajya Sabha Question. Waiver of CGHS Card fees for retired Government employees

Government of India Ministry of Health and Family Welfare Department of Health and Family Welfare Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2202 To be Answered on 22nd March, 2022 Waiver of CGHS Card Fees for Retired Government Employees 2202 # Shri P. Bhattacharya:

Will the Minister of Health and Family Welfare be pleased to state: –

(a) whether it is a fact that Government charges a hefty lump sum amount from the Central Government employees for making CGHS card on their superannuation;

(b) if so, the amount that is being charged and the reasons for not providing CGHS card free of cost even after serving for many years in Government service;

(c) whether Government proposes to waive off the amount charged for CGHS card on the retirement of Central Government employees; and

(d) if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer
The Minister of State in the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Dr. Bharati Pravin Pawar)

(a) to (d): Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) is a subscription based scheme. Both serving Central Government servants and pensioners have to pay the prescribed subscription to avail healthcare services under the Scheme. Central Government pensioners have the option to pay subscription according to his/ her pay level

at the time of retirement either annually or in lump sum for ten years' period for issue of life time CGHS card. Current rates of annual subscription for pensioners are as under:-

Pay level	Contribution per annum (in Rupees)
1-5	3,000
6	5,400
7-11	7,800
12 and above	12,000

Government of India Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions (Department of Administrative Reforms & Public Grievances) Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2451 (To be Answered on 16.03.2022) Grievance Cell 2451. Shri Mohanbhai Kalyanji Kundariya:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether a grievance cell has been set up for redressal of complaints received from various Ministries?

(b) if so, the details of the complaints received and that are pending during the last three years and the current year?

(c) the details of the individuals and the departments against which the complaints have been received? and

(d) the details of the efforts being made for quick redressal of complaints?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions and Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office (Dr. Jitendra Singh) a) to (c): The Government has set up a grievance redressal platform namely Centralised Public Grievances Redress and Monitoring System (CPGRAMS) through which a Citizen can register his/ her grievances pertaining to any Central Ministry/Department or Departments in States / UTs. All Ministries/Departments / States /UTs have access to this system and grievances are resolved by them directly. Details of Ministries/ Departments against whom grievances have been received is given at annexure I. The details of complaints received and pending in the last three years is attached at Annexure -II.

(d): The grievances are to be attended promptly. The Government has recently reduced the time-frame of grievance redressal in CPGRAMS from 60

days to 45 days. Directions were issued to resolve COVID 19 related grievances maximum within 3 days. CPGRAMS version 7.0 which was rolled out in 2019 ensures direct transition of grievance to the concerned grievance redressal officer in the fields by skipping intermediate levels. This has helped in reduction in redressal time of a grievance. Periodic reviews are undertaken to ensure that the grievances are addressed in time. However, certain grievances which cannot be disposed within the stipulated time frame due to policy issues or litigation etc are also monitored closely. A provision to reflect age wise pendency has been created in CPGRAMS to keep a tab on pending grievances. The Government has undertaken a special campaign for reducing pendency from 2nd-31st October 2021 when about 3 lakh public grievances were disposed of. The institutional mechanism to monitor pendency created during the Special Campaign has been continued to review pendency in identified categories including public grievances on a monthly basis through a central monitoring dashboard.

Annexure I

Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2451 (To be answered on 16.03.2022)

(b) Details of complaints received during and pending in last three years (2019, 2020 & 2021):-

Year	Brought Forward	Received	Total	Disposed	Pending
2019	843697	1867758	2711455	1639852	1071603
2020	1071603	2271270	3342873	2319569	1023304
2021	1023304	2000590	3023894	2135923	887971

Annexure - II

Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2451 (To be answered on 16.03.2022)

(C) Ministry/Department wise grievances received and disposed Ministry/Department wise Report Period of Report - 01.01.2019 to 31.12.2021

Sl No.	Ministry/Department/Org	Total Receipt
1.	Centl Bd of Dir Tax (Income Tax)	131008
2.	Centl Bd of I D T & Customs	47614
3.	Deptt for Pro of Ind & Intl Trade	200
4.	Deptt of Adm Refs & Pub G-PG Div	1703
5.	Deptt of Agri & Farmers Welfare	125213
6.	Deptt of Agri Res & Education	6585
7.	Deptt of Animal Husbandry, Dairying	5802

8. Department of Atomic Energy	5390	57. Ministry of Culture	8613
9. Department of Bio Technology	1762	58. Min of Develpt of N E Region	1095
10. Deptt of Chels and Petrochemicals	2221	59. Min of Drinking Water & Sanitation	7184
11. Department of Commerce	16823	60. Ministry of Earth Sciences	1520
12. Department of Consumer Affairs	38619	61. Min of Elecs & Inform Technology	30081
13. Department of Defence	43095	62. Min of Envir, Forest & Climate Change	16010
14. Department of Defence Finance	47594	63. Ministry of External Affairs	56558
15. Department of Defence Production	8105	64. Min of Food Processing Industries	2161
16. Deptt of Def Res & Development	3889	65. Ministry of Home Affairs	116561
17. Deptt of Eco Affairs ACC Division	13888	66. Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs	62585
18. Deptt of Empower of Pers with Disabl	8875	67. Min of Information & Broadcasting	26767
19. Department of Ex Servicemen Welfare	24564	68. Ministry of Labour and Employment	203147
20. Department of Expenditure	17118	69. Min of M Small & Medi Enterprises	10518
21. Department of Fertilizers	2780	70. Ministry of Mines	5234
22. Deptt of Fin Ser (Banking Division)	458743	71. Ministry of Minority Affairs	6130
23. Deptt of Fin Ser (Insurance Division)	66392	72. Ministry of New & Renewable Energy	2583
24. Deptt of Fin Ser (Pension Reforms)	8503	73. Ministry of Panchayati Raj	8159
25. Department of Fisheries	859	74. Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs	6689
26. Deptt of Food & Public Distribution	13935	75. Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas	58561
27. Deptt of Health & Family Welfare	92496	76. Ministry of Power	12192
28. Department of Health Research	9240	77. Ministry of Railways (Railway Bd)	151797
29. Department of Heavy Industry	4099	78. Min of Road Transport & Highways	52610
30. Department of Higher Education	71450	79. Ministry of Shipping	6261
31. Deptt of Investt & Public Asset Mgt	2462	80. Min of Skill Devel & Entrepreneurship	6900
32. Department of Justice	29472	81. Min of Stats & Progm Implementation	1904
33. Department of Land Resources	2669	82. Ministry of Steel	4854
34. Department of Legal Affairs	13719	83. Ministry of Textiles	4373
35. Department of Military Affairs	14535	84. Ministry of Tourism	6216
36. Department of Official Language	1147	85. Ministry of Tribal Affairs	4080
37. Deptt of Personnel & Training	80518	86. Min of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuv	8704
38. Department of Pharmaceutical	6036	87. Min of Women & Child Development	22970
39. Department of Posts	159814	88. NITI Aayog	7693
40. Department of Public Enterprises	2185	89. O/o the Comp & Auditor Genl of India	30809
41. Department of Revenue	60234	90. Unique Idention Authority of India	27714
42. Department of Rural Development	18367		
43. Deptt of School Education & Literacy	72501		
44. Deptt of Science & Technology	6057		
45. Deptt of Scientific & Indl Research	3789		
46. Deptt of Social Jus & Empowerment	19898		
47. Department of Space	2213		
48. Department of Sports	3873		
49. Department of Telecommunications	207992		
50. Department of Youth Affairs	3058		
51. Legislative Department	4699		
52. Ministry of Coal	13504		
53. Ministry of Ayush	13670		
54. Ministry of Civil Aviation	43389		
55. Ministry of Cooperation	2781		
56. Ministry of Corporate Affairs	51784		

Government of India Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No -1725 Answered on - 16/03/2022

Schemes for the Welfare of Senior Citizens 1725. Smt. Shanta Chhetri Will the Minister of Social Justice and Empowerment be pleased to state:-

- (a) the various schemes for the welfare of sr citizens; (b) whether Govt is aware that a huge section of the elderly is deprived of love, care, medical, housing, etc and that the need for senior citizens old age home schemes and a life of dignity for the elderly is a growing need as more and more children are not taking care of their aging parents; and (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

Min of State for Social Justice and Empowerment
(Sushri Pratima Bhoumik)

(a) to (c) The Government of India is implementing various schemes and programmes to provide healthy, happy empowered, dignified and self-reliant life to senior citizens, along with strong social and inter-generational bonding.

Government is aware about the need of love, care, medical, housing, etc. of the senior citizens. For this purpose, various schemes/ programmes are being implemented by the Government for the welfare of senior citizens. The details of these Schemes/ Programmes are at **Annexure-I.**

ANNEXURE

[Reply to Parts (a) to (c) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1725 for 16.03.2022 regarding 'Schemes for the welfare of senior citizens' raised by Hon'ble M.P., Smt. Shanta Chhetri]

Details of Schemes and Programmes being implemented by Government of India in Care of Senior Citizens Sector:

Department of Social Justice and Empowerment:
Atal Vayo Abhyudaya Yojana (AVYAY):

AV YAY brings together articulation of each of the current schemes, future plans, strategies and targets and maps it with schemes/programmes, accountabilities, financials and clear outcomes.

This Plan takes care of the top four needs of the senior citizens viz financial security, food, health care and human interaction /life of dignity. It also includes the facets of safety/protection and general wellbeing of the elderly beginning from awareness generation and sensitization of the society.

2. AV YAY is an umbrella scheme, effective since 1.04.2021, has following schemes under it, namely:

• **Scheme of Integrated Programme for Senior Citizens (IPSrC):** Setting up of Homes to improve the quality of life of the Senior Citizens, especially indigent senior citizens by providing basic amenities like shelter, food, medical care and entertainment opportunities and by encouraging productive and active ageing.

State Action Plan for Senior Citizens (SAPSrC): The Government of India perceives a major and critical role of all State Governments in partnering and implementing this Action Plan for welfare of senior citizens. Each State/UT is expected to plan and strategize taking into account their local

considerations and frame their own State Action Plans for the welfare of their senior citizens.

Rashtriya Vayoshri Yojana' (RVY): A scheme for providing physical Aids and Assisted living devices to Senior Citizens.

Livelihood and Skilling Initiatives for Senior Citizens - Senior Able Citizens for Re-Employment in Dignity (SACRED); Action Groups Aimed at Social Reconstruction (AGRASR Groups):Elderly Self Help groups

Promoting silver economy

Channelizing CSR funds for Elderly care Scheme for Awareness Generation and Capacity Building for welfare of Senior Citizens - Training, Awareness, Sensitization, Setting up of National Helpline for Senior Citizens.

3. Under the Scheme of Integrated Programme for Senior Citizens (IPSrC), grants upto 100% of project cost are given for running and maintenance the following projects:-

(i) Senior Citizens' Homes for 25 destitute Senior Citizens to provide food, care and shelter.

(ii) Senior Citizens' Homes for 50 Elderly Women including those under Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojana (SAGY) to provide food, care and shelter.

(iii) Continuous Care Homes and Homes for senior citizens afflicted with Alzheimer's disease/Dementia for a minimum of 20 Senior Citizens who are seriously ill requiring continuous nursing care and respite or those who are afflicted with Alzheimer's disease/ Dementia.

(iv) Mobile Medicare Units to provide medical care to the Senior Citizens living in rural, isolated and backward areas.

(v) Physiotherapy Clinics for Senior Citizens for a minimum of 50 Senior Citizens per month.

(vi) Regional Resource and Training Centres (RRTCs) monitor and provide technical support, advocacy, networking, training and capacity building for effective delivery of service by the Centres for Senior Citizens, funded by the Ministry.

4. Under the Scheme, assistance is sanctioned to the following agencies subject to the terms and conditions laid down by this Ministry:-

Priority to be given to the State Governments / UT Administrations for supporting the projects under the Scheme of IPSrC through Registered Societies/ Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) / Local bodies, in the vicinity of Hospitals, as far as possible;

Non-Governmental /Voluntary Organizations; Institutions or Organizations set up by Government as autonomous/ subordinate bodies; Government Recognized Educational Institutions, Charitable Hospitals/ Nursing Homes, and recognized youth organizations such as Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS)

5. Under State Action Plan for Sr Citizens (SAPSrC), the GoI perceives a major and critical role of all State Govts in partnering and implementing the Action Plan for welfare of sr citizens. Appreciating the critical and significant role of States/UTs, each State/UT is expected to plan and strategize taking into account their local considerations and frame their own State Action Plans for the welfare of their senior citizens. This State Action Plan may comprise a long-term strategy for five years as well as Annual Action Plans and this Department shall release funds to the States/UTs for formulation and implementation of their State Action Plans.

6. Livelihood and Skilling Initiatives for Senior Citizens- A new scheme with following two components:- (i) Senior Able Citizens for Re-Employment in Dignity (SACRED)- Many senior citizens have experience, time and energy which can be used by the business enterprises looking for stable employees with experience. The Human resources cells of many private enterprises seek experienced but stable persons in certain positions. The portal allows bringing these people together by virtual matching of preferences. The portal has been launched by the Vice Prz of India on International Day on Older Persons (IDOP), 2021 i.e. on 01/10/2021.

(ii) Action Groups Aimed at Social Reconstruction (AGRASR Groups): Elderly Self Help groups - The Sr Citizens are encouraged to form Self-Help Groups (SHGs), which will provide them with a platform to share the time constructively with each other. To attain financial assistance under the scheme SHGs will function as 'Action Groups Aimed at Social Reconstruction (AGRASR Groups)'. Assistance under this Scheme to any SHG will be independent of assistance under any other scheme of the Ministry and an SHG can choose to avail assistance under any one or more Scheme(s).

7. Promoting Silver Economy - This is also a new scheme launched with an objective to encourage the entrepreneurs for to think about the problems of the elderly and come out with innovative

solutions The Government aims to achieve the objective by providing upto Rs. 1 crore as financial assistance through equity participation, through an open invitation on a portal namely Seniorcare Ageing Growth Engine (SAGE).

8. Channelizing CSR funds for Elderly care- This is also a new scheme with an objective to channelize the CSR funds in an appropriate manner for elderly care projects. Under Schedule VII of Section 135 of the Companies Act, setting up old age homes, day care centres and such facilities for Senior Citizens is an approved item for CSR funding.

9. Scheme for Awareness Generation and Capacity Building for welfare of Senior Citizens- Components like the National Helpline for Senior Citizens, Research, awareness, sensitization etc. for the welfare of senior citizens, spreading awareness and sensitizing the youth and other sections of the society towards the issues related to the elderly. The National Helpline - Elderline with toll free number 14567 has been dedicated to the country by the Vice President of India on International Day on Older Persons (IDOP), 2021 i.e. on 01/10/2021.

10. Rashtriya Vayoshri Yojana (RVY): Scheme for providing Physical Aids and Assisted-Living Devices for Senior Citizens The Scheme of Rashtriya Vayoshri Yojana (RVY) has been formulated by Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment with an objective to provide aids and assisted living devices viz. walking sticks, elbow crutches, walkers/crutches, tripods/quadpods, hearing aids, wheelchairs, artificial dentures and spectacles, free of cost to senior citizens belonging to BPL category who suffer from age related disabilities/infirmities such as low vision, hearing impairment, loss of teeth and loco-motor disabilities. The Scheme has been revised w.e.f. F.Y. 2020-21. Under the revised Scheme, the criteria of selection of beneficiaries have been extended to include not only those senior citizens belonging to BPL category but also senior citizens with monthly income not more than Rs. 15000/- and who suffer from age related disabilities/infirmities as mentioned above.

Under the revised Scheme of RVY, the number of devices hitherto provided has been increased. At present, following are the items that have been included for distribution: (a) Generic Items: (1) Walking sticks (2) Elbow crutches (3) Walkers/ Crutches, (4) Tripods/Quadpods (5) Hearing Aids (6) Artificial Dentures, and (7) Spectacles.

(b) Special Items: (1) Wheelchairs, (2) Wheel Chairs with Commode, (3) Chair/Stool with Commode, (4) Silicon Foam Cushion, (5) Knee Brace, (6) Spinal Support, (7) Cervical Collar, (8) Lumbosacral Belt (LS), (9) Walker/Roalator with Brakes, (10) Walking Stick with Seat, (11) Foot Care Kit:- (i) Flexi Gel Socks, (ii) Socks Cushion Sandal, (iii) Silicon Insole (Complete Foot/Ankle) and (iv) Insole with Pressure Point Relief.

Schemes, Programmes, Concession and Benefits provided by other Ministries/Department in Care of Senior Citizens:

(i) Ministry of Rural Development:

National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP):

Under National Social Assistance Program (NSAP) scheme, the elderly, widows, and disabled persons belonging to Below Poverty Line (BPL) and fulfilling eligibility criteria prescribed in the NSAP guidelines, are provided financial assistance ranging from Rs.200/- to Rs.500/- p.m. and in the case of death of the breadwinner, a lumpsum assistance of Rs.20,000/- is given to the bereaved family. The schemes under NSAP for elderly and divyans are detailed below:

a. **Indira Gandhi National Old Age Pension Scheme (IGNOAPS):** A monthly pension of Rs.200/- is given to elderly aged 60-79 years belonging to BPL category. The pension increases to Rs.500/- per month upon attaining the age of 80 years. The total beneficiaries under the scheme are 221 lakh.

b. **Indira Gandhi National Disability Pension Scheme (IGNDPS):** A monthly pension of Rs.300/- is given to BPL persons aged 18-79 years with severe and multiple disabilities (80% disability level). The pension increases to Rs.500/- per month upon attaining the age of 80 years. The total beneficiaries under the scheme are 10.58 lakh.

2. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare:

“National Programme for the Health Care of Elderly” (NPHCE) launched during 2010-11 is State oriented program with the basic thrust to provide comprehensive and dedicated health care facilities to the elderly persons above 60 year of age at various level of primary, secondary and tertiary health care.

I. Primary & Secondary Geriatric Care Services:

The program commenced with 100 districts in the 11th plan period In the 12th plan period 421 districts and in 2019-2020, 114 districts were additionally sanctioned to provide dedicated geriatric OPD, IPD,

Physiotherapy and lab services. Presently all 713 Health districts have been sanctioned for geriatric primary & secondary care services of OPD, 10 bedded Geriatric Ward, Physiotherapy and laboratory services.

II. Tertiary level activities of NPHCE : Renamed as ‘Rashtriya Varisth Jan Swasthya Yojana’ in 2016-17. As on date, 19 Regional Geriatric Centres (RGCs) in selected Medical Colleges of 18 States, are sanctioned for tertiary care service delivery under NPHCE in the form of specialized OPD’s, 30 bedded wards in RGC including earmarking beds in various specialties like urology, orthopaedics, ophthalmology etc, manpower development & research activities. Presently OPD services are being provided through 18 RGCs, inpatient services in 16 RGC’s, Physiotherapy in 14 centers & laboratory services in 13 centers.

Two Natl Centre for Ageing (NCA) has also been developed as centre of Excellence for Geriatric Care services. 200 bedded NCA at Madras Medical College, Chennai has been developed & operational for Covid ward & another NCA at AIIMS, New Delhi is in advance state of Construction. OPD services are expected to initiate by Oct 2021. A 250 Bedded Geriatric Care & Rehabilitation Cent is sanctioned at PGI Chandigarh.

Progress in Operationalization of the Programme activities 2020-21

(As per Progress Report- April to December, 2(>20)

No	Institu- tions	Sancti- oned	OPD	Operational Indoor wards	Physio therapy services	Labo ratory services
1	RGCs	19	18	16	14	13
2	District hospitals	718	584	507	445	539
3	CHCs	4869	3111	-	1131	2408
4	PHCs	18407	10180	-	-	-
5	SCs provid ing home based care & supportive appliances	90719			14201	

Daily Geriatric OPD services are being provided in 584 DH, 3111 CHCs and 10180 PHCs along with special OPDs in 18 RGCs. Inpatient services are being provided in 507 DH, along with 16 RGCs. Physiotherapy services are being provided in 445 DH, 1131 CHCs along with 14 RGCs. Laboratory services are being provided in 539 DHs, 2408 CHCs, along with 13 RGCs.

• Geriatric care service provision in 2019-20

(As per Annual Progress Report- April 2019- March 2020)

S. Serv N.	RGCs	Distt.	CHCs Hospi tals	PHCs	SCs	Total
1 OPD care services	133545	7567744	7016670	9032922	2843211	2,65,94,092
2 Indoor admissions	9992	688966	269286			9,68,244
3 Physiotherapy care	34637	754186	744964			15,33,787
4 Lab Tests	230749	4215883	2348922	2275600		90,71,154
5 No of Elderly Screened & given Health card		599908	719021	526754	273850	21,19,533
6 No of Elderly Provided Home care services		11157	92657	68674	68783	2,41,271
7 No of Elderly provided supportive devices		4820	18006	7256	17502	47,584
8 Cases referred		32017	59202	65057	64119	2,20,395
9 Cases died in hospitals		17026	2156	384		19,566

Overall 265 lakhs elderly have been provided OPD, 9.68 lakhs Indoor admissions, 15.33 lakhs Rehabilitation and 90.71 lakhs Lab. services respectively by all the operational District Hospitals and below.

V. Training Modules: Three sets of Training modules for Medical Officers, Nurses and Community based workers to deliver Comprehensive Geriatric care has been developed. State level Training of Trainers of Medical Officers for Comprehensive Geriatric Care has been conducted at Chhattisgarh, Meghalaya, Haryana, Punjab Tamil Nadu & Maharashtra generating approx 236 States level Master Trainers and 85 National Master Trainers: 27 for Medical Officer Module, 26 for Staff Nurses Module and 32 for module developed to train Community based workers.

VI. NPHCE Website: - An interactive and dynamic website cum MIS of the NPHCE program has been initiated through Center for Health Informatics (CHI) to provide comprehensive information along with data regarding Geriatric facilities and services available through-out the country.

VII. IEC: Audio/Video spots on different topics of elder care, print material-folder, posters etc. have

been developed. The regional language version of IEC material is being developed.

3. MINISTRY OF FINANCE:

Atal Pension Yojana (APY): The Atal Pension Yojana (APY) is a Government of India Scheme which was launched on 9th May, 2015, with the objective of creating a universal social security system for all Indians, especially the poor, the under-privileged and the workers in the unorganized sector. The scheme becomes operational w.e.f. 1st June, 2015, and is being administered by the Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA). It is open to all citizens of India between 18-40 years of age having bank account in a bank or post-office.

There are five pension plan slabs available under the scheme namely, Rs. 1000, Rs. 2000, Rs. 3000, Rs. 4000, and Rs. 5000 guaranteed by Government of India to the subscriber at the age of 60 years. On death of subscriber, the same pension to spouse is guaranteed by the Government of India. Further, APY is a pan India scheme open to all citizens of the country and not catering to any specific group.

4. MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS: Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Department of Urban Development has issued the Model Building Bye Laws, 2016 (MBBL) prescribing standards for creation of elder friendly barrier free environment with reference to buildings, toilets etc. Urban Local Bodies shall implement the Policy by adopting the Model Building Bye Laws, 2016. Further, under Urban Bus Specification-II issued in 2013, the emphasis on buses financed by the Department of Urban Development is on procurement of **low floor buses** with proper ramps for easy access of the passengers and **proper space for wheelchair** to be placed in the bus for the benefit of disabled persons and senior citizens. All metro rail projects implemented/under implementation in the country are having disabled and elder friendly infrastructure such as **proper ramps/lifts to the stations**. There is a provision for reservation of seats in metro rail coaches for differently-abled persons and senior citizens. Further, Housing for All Mission/Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana Guidelines have been circulated to State/UTs to meet the demand of housing in their States/UTs, which interalia incorporates that 'while making the allotment, families with senior citizens should be given **priority for allotment on ground floor or lower floors**'.

Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs is implementing the Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM) with the aim to reduce poverty and vulnerability of urban poor households on sustainable basis. The Mission, inter-alia, aims at providing permanent shelter equipped with essential services to the urban homeless in a phased manner under the component of Shelters for Urban Homeless, irrespective of age.

Procedure for implementation of change of option by a Pensioner/Family Pensioner from FMA to CGHS (OPD) facility and vice-versa: DoP&PW OM dated 23.03.2022

No. 4/05/2019-P&PW(D)-110003 23.03.2022

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub: Procedure for implementation of change of option by a Pensioner/Family Pensioner from FMA to CGHS (OPD) facility and vice-versa-reg

The undersigned is directed to say that the Central Government Civil Pensioners/Family Pensioners residing in areas not covered under Central Government Health Scheme administered by the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare and corresponding health schemes administered by other Ministries/Departments for their retired employees for meeting expenditure on their day-to-day medical expenses that do not require hospitalization, are entitled to receive a monthly Fixed Medical Allowance (FMA). The amount of FMA was revised from time to time and was last revised to Rs.1000/- p.m. w.e.f. 01.07.2017 vide this Department's OM No. 4/34/2017- P&PW(D) dated 19.07.2017.

2. Only those Pensioners/Family Pensioners who are residing in an area not covered by CGHS, and specifically opt for not availing of OPD facilities in the nearest CGHS dispensary, are entitled medical allowance. An option is required to be exercised by a retiree at the time of retirement for availing OPD medical facility or FMA. Only one change in option in the life-time of a Pensioner/ Family Pensioner is allowed.

3. The Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice, in its 110th report on "Pensioner's Grievances-Impact of Pension Adalats and Centralized Pensioners Grievance Redress and Monitoring System (CPENGRAMS)" has made following recommendation : (3.22) The Committee

takes note of the difficulties faced by pensioners in surrendering their Fixed Medical Allowance (FMA) and getting FMA Surrender Certificate to avail CGHS indoor & outdoor (OPD) facilities, and, accordingly, recommends DoPPW and CGA that the procedural loopholes coming in this way should be plugged and ensure that all such pensioners should get FMA Surrender Certificates in a hassle free manner through online mode under intimation to the bank concerned and a timeline should be fixed in this regard.

4. If a Pensioner/Family Pensioner who is residing in a non-CGHS area and is in receipt of FMA, intends to avail the OPD facility under CGHS, etc. he has to forego FMA to become eligible for OPD facility under CGHS. However, in the absence of any guidelines for discontinuance of FMA by the Bank and issue of CGHS card for OPD facility, Pensioners/Family Pensioners are often facing difficulty in exercising revised options in this regard. The matter has been examined in consultation with Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and Central Pension Accounting Office and the following procedure is laid down in this regard:-

(i) If a Pensioner/ Family Pensioner residing in non-CGHS area shifts his/her residence to a CGHS covered area, he/she no longer remains eligible for FMA irrespective whether he/she avails the CGHS facility or not. It will, therefore, be the responsibility of the Pensioner/Family Pensioner that on shifting from a non-CGHS area to a CGHS covered area and while requesting for change of address from a non-CGHS area to a CGHS covered area, he/she will apply to the Bank in Form 2 for discontinuation of his/her FMA. The pension disbursing banks will also make a provision in their system so that whenever a Pensioner/Family Pensioner gives an intimation regarding change of residence from a non-CGHS area to a CGHS covered area, the FMA being paid to the Pensioner/Family Pensioner would automatically be stopped, irrespective whether or not the Pensioner/ Family Pensioner has requested in Form-2 for stoppage of his/her FMA.

On receipt of an application in Form-2 from the Pensioner/Family Pensioner, who has shifted from a non-CGHS area to a CGHS covered area, the Bank will issue a certificate in Form-3 regarding discontinuation of FMA to the Pensioner/Family Pensioner within three working days from the date

of receipt of the application for the said certificate. Thereafter, it will be open to the Pensioner /Family Pensioner to apply to the CGHS authorities for issue of a CGHS card for both OPD and IPD facility, by payment of requisite CGHS contributions.

In case the Pensioner/Family Pensioner applies for issue of a CGHS card, the same will be issued to him/her by the CGHS authorities as per their laid down procedure, if the Pensioner/Family Pensioner otherwise fulfils the eligibility conditions for issue of CGHS Card. The CGHS authorities will, however, issue a provisional CGHS card to the Pensioner/Family Pensioner within four working days from the date of completion of all formalities and deposit of contributions by the Pensioner/Family Pensioner and such provisional Card will remain valid till issue of a final CGHS Card.

(ii) If a Penr/Family Penr, residing in a non-CGHS area and availing FMA in lieu of OPD facility, intends to avail CGHS facility for both OPD and IPD, he/she may apply to the concerned branch of the pension disbursing bank in Form-2 for discontinuation of FMA, to enable him/her to apply to the CGHS authorities for the CGHS facility. The Penr/Family Penr will also give an undertaking in Form-2 to the Bank that the option being exercised by him/her to avail medical facility under CGHS or other similar Health Scheme of their respective Min/ Deptt, is a one- time option and that he/she has not availed the facility of change of option from CGHS to FMA in the past. The pension disbursing bank shall, thereafter, stop the payment of FMA in respect of such Penr/Family Penr and issue a certificate in Form-3 to him/her regarding discontinuance of FMA, within three working days from the date of receipt of application.

Thereafter, the Pensioner/Family Pensioner may apply to the concerned CGHS authorities for issue of CGHS card for both OPD as well as IPD facility after paying requisite CGHS contribution, if not already paid. The CGHS authorities will, issue the CGHS Card (including OPD facility) to him/her as per their procedure, if the Pensioner/Family Pensioner otherwise fulfils the eligibility conditions for issue of CG !I S Card. The CGHS authorities will, however, issue a provisional CGHS card to the Pensioner/Family Pensioner within four working days from the date of completion of all formalities and deposit of contributions by the Pensioner/

Family Pensioner and such provisional Card will remain valid till issue of a final CGHS Card.

(iii) After discontinuing the FMA, the bank will make necessary changes in both halves of PPO in regard to discontinuance of FMA. The CPPC of the concerned bank, shall send an intimation to the Central Pension Accounting Office (CPAO) in the proforma at Form-4 for updating the record. CPAO will thereafter forward the intimation to the concerned Pay & Account Office (PAO) after updating the data in the PARAS (i.e. CPAO's database). On receipt of intimation from CPAO, PAO will inform the change in status to the concerned Head of Office for record.

5. If a Pensioner/Family Pensioner, who is availing CGHS/medical facility for both IPD and OPD, intends to avail FMA while residing in a non-CGHS area or on shifting of residence from a CGHS area to a non-CGHS area, he/she may apply to the CGHS authorities for surrender of OPD facility under CGHS. On receipt of an application to this effect, the CGHS authorities will make necessary endorsement on the CGHS card and issue a certificate within four working days from the date of receipt of application, that the Pensioner/Family Pensioner is not availing OPD facility and is availing only IPD facility under CGHS. Thereafter, the Pensioner/Family Pensioner will submit an application to the Head of Office along with copy of the surrender certificate for issue of a revised pension payment authority for payment of FMA. The case for issue of the revised pension payment authority will then be processed in the usual manner through PAO and CPAO and sent to the Pension Disbursing Bank for payment of FMA along with monthly pension. The revised Pension Payment Authority will be issued within two months from the date of submission of application by the Pensioner/Family pensioner in this regard. The payment of FMA in such cases will, however, be made from the date of issue of the surrender certificate by the CGHS authorities.

Encl: FMA Forms
(Charanjit Taneja)

Under Secretary to the Government of India
FMA Form 2

To
The Manager,
.....Bank.....

Sub: Application for discontinuation of Fixed Medical Allowance

Sir/Madam,

I am presently drawing pension/family pension, with FMA, from your Bank and my particulars are as given below:

1. Name :.....
2. Pension Sanctioning Authority :.....
3. PPO Number :.....
4. Bank Account Number :.....
5. Contact Number :.....
6. Present Address :.....

2. I hereby request you to discontinue my FMA due to the following reason::

(a) I have changed residence from a Non-CGHS area to a CGHS covered area

(b) I am residing in a non-CGHS area but intend to avail CGHS facility for both IPO and OPD

* (strike out which is not applicable)

3. It is also requested that a certificate regarding discontinuation of FMA may be issued to me for taking further action in the matter.

(UNDERTAKING)

I hereby declare that the option being exercised by me to avail medical facility under CGHS or other similar Health Scheme of their respective Ministry/Department, is a one-time change in option and that I have not availed the facility of change of option from FMA to CGHS in the past.

Date:

(Signature of the Pensioner/Family Pensioner)

Name of the Pensioner/Family Pensioner

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Received request from Shri/Ms

... a Pensioner/Family Pensioner (PPO No.

.....) for discontinuation of Fixed Medical Allowance as part of his/her pension.

Date :

Seal of the Bank

Name Designation & Signature of the representative of the Bank

FMA Form 3

Certificate from Bank regarding Stoppage of Fixed Medical Allowance of Pensioner / Family Pensioner

This is to certify that on receipt of request from the following Pensioner/ Family Pensioner, payment of Fixed Medical Allowance (FMA) as part of his/her pension/family pension has been discontinued by the bank:

Details of Pensioner/ Family Pensioner

1. Name :.....
2. Pension Sanctioning Authority :.....
3. PPO Number :.....
4. Bank Account Number :.....
5. Contact Number :.....
6. Present Address :.....
7. Date from which FMA has been discontinued :.....

8. Reason given by Pensioner/Family Pensioner for discontinuation of FMA:

(a) Change of residence from a non-CGHS area to a CGHS covered area

(b) Residing in Non CGHS area but intends to avail OPD facility under CGHS

*(strike out which is not applicable)

The Pensioner/Family Pensioner has given an undertaking to the Bank that the option being exercised by him/her to avail medical facility under CGHS or other similar Health Scheme of their respective Ministry/Department, is a one-time option and that he has not availed the facility of change of option from CGHS to FMA in the past.

Encl: Copy of application and undertaking from Pensioner/ Family Pensioner.

(FMA Form-4)

[Intimation to be given by CPPC of the concerned bank to the Central Pension Accounting Office regarding stoppage of Fixed Medical Allowance (FMA)]

To

Central Pension Accounting Office

Bhikaji Cama Place, Trikot-II

New Delhi-1 10066

Sir/Madam,

It is intimated that on receipt of a request in this respect, Fixed Medical Allowance to the Pensioner/ Family Pensioner, whose details are given below, has been discontinued:

Name of the Pensioner/Family Pensioner

PPO Number

Date of Retirement

Pay and Accounts Office

Date of discontinuation of FMA

Encl: Copy of application received from Pensioner/ Family Pensioner regarding stoppage of FMA

Signature of Officer issuing Certificate along with stamp of bank

Name of Officer issuing the certificate....

Name and address of Bank.

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अध्याय 2

साधारण शर्तें

5. पेंशन या कुटुंब पेंशन के दावों का विनियमन—

(1) पेंशन या कुटुंब पेंशन संबंधी कोई भी दावा उस समय, जब सरकारी कर्मचारी, यथास्थिति, सेवानिवृत्त होता है या सेवानिवृत्त कर दिया जाता है या सेवामुक्त का दिया जाता है या उसे सेवा से पदत्याग करने की अनुज्ञा दी जाती है या मर जाता है, प्रवृत्त इन नियमों के उपबंधों द्वारा विनियमित किया जाएगा।

(2) जिस दिन सरकारी कर्मचारी, यथास्थिति, सेवानिवृत्त होता है या सेवानिवृत्त कर दिया जाता है या सेवामुक्त का दिया जाता है या उसे सेवा से पदत्याग करने की अनुज्ञा दी जाती है उसका कार्य का अंतिम पूर्ण दिन माना जाएगा और मृत्यु की तारीख भी कार्य का दिन मानी जाएगी:

परंतु ऐसे सरकारी कर्मचारी की दशा में, जो अपनी सेवानिवृत्ति या मृत्यु से ठीक पूर्व कर्तव्य से अवकाश पर या अन्यथा अनुपस्थिति था अथवा निलंबन का हिस्सा होगा।

6. पेंशनों की संख्या की परिसीमाएं—

(1) कोई भी सरकारी कर्मचारी एक ही सेवा या पद में एक ही समय में या एक ही लगातार सेवा करके दो पेंशन अर्जित नहीं करेगा।

(2) नियम 19 या नियम 20 में यथाउपबंधित के सिवाय, ऐसा सरकारी कर्मचारी, जो अधिवर्षिता पेंशन या सेवानिवृत्ति पेंशन या अनिवार्य सेवानिवृत्ति पेंशन पर सेवानिवृत्ति हो चुका है या जो सेवा से पदच्युत किए जाने या हटा दिए जाने पर अनुकंपा भता प्राप्त कर रहा हो और जिसे तत्पश्चात पुनर्नियोजित किया जाता है, अपने पुनर्नियोजन की अवधि के लिए अलग पेंशन या उपदान का हकदार नहीं होगा:

परंतु ऐसा सरकारी कर्मचारी जो पूर्व में किसी स्वायत्त निकाय या सार्वजनिक क्षेत्र के उपक्रम में नियुक्त किया गया था और तत्पश्चात उस निकाय या उपक्रम अनुमति के साथ, 31 दिसंबर, 2003 को या उससे पूर्व सरकारी सेवा में नियुक्त किया गया था, तो उस निकाय या उपक्रम में की गई सेवा के लिए स्वायत्त निकाय या सार्वजनिक क्षेत्र के उपक्रम से प्राप्त पेंशन और उपदान, यदि कोई हो, के अतिरिक्त सरकार में की गई सेवा के लिए पेंशन और उपदान प्राप्त करने का पात्र होगा।

परंतु यह और कि स्वायत्त निकाय या सार्वजनिक क्षेत्र के उपक्रम में की गई सेवा और सरकार के अधीन की गई संपूर्ण सेवा की बाबत उपदान की कुल रकम उस रकम से अधिक नहीं होगी जो स्वायत्त निकाय या सार्वजनिक क्षेत्र के उपक्रम और सरकार में सरकारी कर्मचारी द्वारा की गई संपूर्ण सेवा और सरकार से सेवानिवृत्ति पर मिली परिलब्धियों पर विचार करते हुए अनुज्ञेय होती।

स्पष्टीकरण 1: किसी सरकारी कर्मचारी को सरकार में उचित अनुमति के साथ नियुक्त किया गया माना जाएगा यदि उसने स्वायत्त निकाय या सार्वजनिक क्षेत्र के उपक्रम की पूर्व अनुमति के साथ सरकार सरकार में सेवा या पद के लिए आवेदन किया था स्वायत्त निकाय या सार्वजनिक क्षेत्र के उपक्रम का आदेश स्पष्ट रूप से उपदर्शित करता है कि कर्मचारी यथास्थिति, स्वायत्त निकाय या सार्वजनिक क्षेत्र के उपक्रम, की उचित अनुमति के साथ सरकार में पद पर कार्यभार ग्रहण करने के लिए त्यागपत्र दे रहा है।

स्पष्टीकरण 2: स्वायत्त निकाय या सार्वजनिक क्षेत्र के उपक्रम में की गई सेवा के लिए पेंशन, यदि कोई हो, संबंधित स्वायत्त निकाय या सार्वजनिक क्षेत्र के उपक्रम द्वारा ही संदत की जाएगी और सरकार के अधीन किसी सेवा में कार्यभार ग्रहण करने के पूर्व उक्त स्वायत्त निकाय या सार्वजनिक क्षेत्र के उपक्रम में

सरकारी कर्मचारी द्वारा की गई सेवा की पेंशन के लिए सरकार का कोई दायित्व नहीं होगा।

7. पेंशन या कुटुंब पेंशन भविष्य में आचरण के अच्छे बने रहने के अधीन होगी—(1) (क) इन नियमों के अधीन पेंशन की प्रत्येक मंजूरी और उसे जारी रखने की एक विवक्षित शर्त यह होगी कि भविष्य में आचरण अच्छा बना रहे।

(ख) यदि पेंशनभोगी किसी गंभीर अपराध के लिए सिद्धदोष ठहराया गया है या किसी गंभीर अवचार का दोषी पाया गया है तो नियुक्ति प्राधिकारी पेंशन या उसके किसी भाग को, लिखित आदेश द्वारा, स्थायी रूप से अथवा विनिर्दिष्ट अवधि के लिए रोक सकेगा या प्रत्याहृत कर सकेगा:

परंतु यह और कि जहां पेंशन का कोई भाग रोक लिया जाता या प्रत्याहृत कर लिया जाता है वहां ऐसी पेंशन की रकम नियम 44 के अधीन न्यूनतम पेंशन की रकम से और कम नहीं की जाएगी।

(2) जहां कोई पेंशनभोगी न्यायालय द्वारा किसी गंभीर अपराध के लिए सिद्धदोष ठहराया गया है वहां उपनियम (1) के अधीन कारवाई न्यायालय के ऐसी सिद्धदोषी से संबंधित निर्णय के प्रकाश में की जाएगी।

(3) यदि किसी ऐसे मामले में, जो उपनियम (2) के अंतर्गत न आता हो, उपनियम (1) में निर्दिष्ट प्राधिकारी यह समझता है कि पेंशनभोगी गंभीर अवचार का प्रथम दृष्टया दोषी है वह प्राधिकारी उपनियम(1) के अधीन कोई आदेश पारित करने से पूर्व,—

(क) पेंशनभोगी पर एक सूचना तामील करेगा जिसमें उसके विरुद्ध की जाने वाली प्रस्तावित कारवाई और उस आधार का उल्लेख होगा जिस पर उस कारवाई के किए जाने की स्थापना है और जिसमें उससे यह अपेक्षा की जाएगी कि वह सूचना की प्राप्ति के पंद्रह दिन के भीतर, अथवा पंद्रह दिन से अनधिक उतनी बढ़ाई गई अवधि के भीतर जितनी उक्त प्राधिकारी द्वारा अनुज्ञात की जाए, ऐसा अभ्यावेदन प्रस्तुत करे जो वह प्रस्ताव के विरुद्ध करना चाहे, और

(ख) उपखंड (क) के अधीन पेंशनभोगी द्वारा दिए गए अभ्यावेदन पर, यदि कोई हो, विचार करेगा।

(4) (क) उप-नियम (3) के उपबधों पर प्रतिकूल प्रभाव डाले बिना, ऐसा सरकारी कर्मचारी जो सूचना का अधिकार अधिनियम, 2005 (2005 का 22) की दूसरी अनुसूची में सम्मिलित ऐसे आसूचना या सुरक्षा से संबंधित संगठन में कार्य कर चुका है, सेवानिवृत्ति के पश्चात विभागाध्यक्ष की बिना पूर्व अनुमति के निम्नलिखित से संबंधित अथवा निम्न किसी भी सामग्री का प्रकाशन नहीं करेगा,—

(i) संगठन का अधिकार क्षेत्र जिसमें किसी भी कार्मिक और उस संगठन में कार्य करने के कारण प्राप्त हुई विशेषज्ञता या जानकारी सम्मिलित है; और

(ii) संवेदनशील सूचना, जिसके प्रकटीकरण से भारत की संप्रभुता और अखंडता, राज्य की सुरक्षा, रणनीतिक, वैज्ञानिक या आर्थिक हितों अथवा किसी विदेशी राष्ट्र के साथ संबंध पर प्रतिकूल प्रभाव पड़े, या जिससे किसी अपराध का उदीपन हो।

(ख) ऐसे सरकारी कर्मचारी जो सूचना का अधिकार अधिनियम, 2005 (2005 का 22) की दूसरी अनुसूची में सम्मिलित किसी भी आसूचना या सुरक्षा से संबंधित संगठन में कार्य कर चुके हों, वे उपर्युक्त प्रतिबंध के विषय में फॉर्मेट 1 में वचनपत्र देंगे और ऐसे वचन का पालन करने में सेवानिवृत्त सरकारी कर्मचारियों की विफलता को इस नियम के अधीन गंभीर अवचार माना जाएगा।

(ग) खंड (ख) में निर्दिष्ट किसी संगठन से, प्रतिनियुक्ति पूरी होने पर या अन्यथा सरकारी कर्मचारी को बाहर स्थानांतरित किए जाने की दशा में, स्थानांतरण के समय सरकारी कर्मचारी से अपेक्षित वचनपत्र, दो प्रतियों

में प्राप्त किया जाएगा और वचनपत्र की एक प्रति सरकारी कर्मचारी की सेवा पुस्तिका में रखी जाएगी और इस आशय की प्रविष्टि सेवा पुस्तिका में की जाएगी और वचनपत्र की दूसरी प्रति रिकार्ड के लिए उपर्युक्त संगठन में रखी जाएगी।

(5) संगठन के प्रमुख के पास यह निर्णय करने का प्राधिकार होगा कि प्रकाशन के लिए प्रस्तावित सामग्री संवेदनशील या असंवेदनशील है, और क्या वह संगठन के अधिकार क्षेत्र में आती है।

(6) जहां कि उप-नियम (1) के अधीन कोई आदेश को पारित करने के लिए सक्षम प्राधिकारी राष्ट्रपति, संघ लोक सेवा आयोग के साथ परामर्श किया जाएगा।

(7) राष्ट्रपति से भिन्न किसी प्राधिकारी द्वारा उप-नियम (1) के अधीन पारित किसी आदेश को पारित करने से पूर्व संघ लोक सेवा आयोग से परामर्श करके, अपील पर ऐसे आदेश पारित करेगा जैसे वह ठीक समझे। स्पष्टीकरण :- इस नियम के प्रयोजनार्थ,-

(क) पेंशन पद के अंतर्गत कुटुंब पेंशन भी है और पेंशनभोगी पद के अंतर्गत कुटुंब पेंशनभोगी भी है।

(क) गंभीर अपराध पद के अंतर्गत ऐसा अपराध आता है, जिसमें शासकीय गुप्त बात अधिनियम, 1923 (1923 का 19) के अधीन कोई अपराध अन्तर्गत हो।

(ग) गंभीर अवचार पद के अंतर्गत कोई गुप्त शासकीय संकेत को या संकेत शब्द या किसी रेखांक, प्रतिमान, मॉडल, लेख, नोट, दस्तावेज या सूचना को, जैसा कि शासकीय गुप्त बात अधिनियम 1923 (1923 का 19) की धारा 5 में वर्णित है (जो कि सरकार के अधीन किसी पद को धारण करते समय प्राप्त हुई थी) संसूचित अथवा प्रकट करना आता है जिससे कि जनसाधारण के हितों पर अथवा राष्ट्र की सुरक्षा पर प्रतिकूल प्रभाव पड़े।

(घ) प्रकाशन पद के अंतर्गत प्रेस या इलेक्ट्रॉनिक मीडिया को संसूचित करना या प्रकाशन करना या किसी पुस्तक, पत्र, पुस्तिका, पोस्टर या अन्य दस्तावेज का किसी भी रूप में प्रकाशन करना आता है।

(ड.) सूचना पद के अंतर्गत किसी भी रूप में कोई भी सामग्री आती है जिसमें सेवा के दौरान सरकारी कर्मचारी द्वारा धारित या उसकी पहुंच में रखे गए, रिकार्ड, दस्तावेज, ज्ञापन, ई-मेल, राय, परामर्श, प्रेस, विज्ञप्ति, परिपत्र, आदेश, लॉगबुक, अनुबंध, रिपोर्ट, कागजात, नमूने, मॉडल और किसी भी इलेक्ट्रॉनिक रूप में डेटा सामग्री सम्मिलित है।

8. पेंशन रोकने और प्रत्याहत करने का अधिकार- (1) राष्ट्रपति किसी पेंशन या उपदान को, अथवा दोनों को, पूर्णतः या अंशतः रोकने, अथवा पेंशन पूर्णतः या अंशतः, स्थायी रूप से या किसी विनिर्दिष्ट अवधि के लिए प्रत्याहत करने तथा सरकार को कारित किसी धन संबंधी हानि को पूर्णतः या अंशतः पेंशन या उपदान में से वसूल करने का आदेश देने का अधिकार उस दशा में अपने पास आरक्षित रखते हैं जब किसी विभागीय या न्यायिक कार्यवाहियों में पेंशनभोगी के बारे में यह पाया जाए कि वह अपने सेवाकाल में, जिसके अन्तर्गत सेवानिवृत्ति के पश्चात पुनर्नियोजन करने पर की गई सेवा भी है, गंभीर अवचार या उपेक्षा का दोषी रहा है:

परंतु कोई भी अंतिम आदेश पारित किए जाने से पूर्व संघ लोक सेवा आयोग से परामर्श किया जाएगा:

परंतु यह और कि जहां पेंशन का कोई भाग रोक लिया जाए या प्रत्याहत किया जाए, वहां ऐसी पेंशन की रकम नियम 44 के अधीन न्यूनतम पेंशन की रकम से नीचे कम नहीं की जाएगी।

(2) (क) यदि उपनियम (1) में निर्दिष्ट विभागीय कार्यवाहियाँ, उस समय, जब सरकारी कर्मचारी सेवा में

रहा हो चाहे उसकी सेवानिवृत्ति से पूर्व या उसके पुनर्नियोजन के दौरान, संस्थित की गई हो तो उन कार्यवाहियों के बारे में सरकारी कर्मचारी के अंतिम रूप से सेवानिवृत्त हो जाने के पश्चात, यह समझा जाएगा कि वे इस नियम के अधीन की कार्यवाहियाँ हैं, और वे उस प्राधिकारी द्वारा वे प्रारंभ की गई थीं, उसी रीति से जारी रखी जायेंगी और उन्हें अन्तिम रूप दिया जाएगा, मानो वह सरकारी कर्मचारी सेवा में बना रहा हो: परंतु ऐसे सभी मामलों में जहां कि विभागीय कार्यवाहियां राष्ट्रपति के अधीनस्थ किसी प्राधिकारी द्वारा संस्थित की जाएं, वहां वह प्राधिकारी अपने निष्कर्षों को अभिलिखित करते हुए एक रिपोर्ट राष्ट्रपति को देगा और राष्ट्रपति उपनियम (1) के अनुसार इस मामले में अंतिम निर्णय लेगा।

(ख) उपनियम (1) खंड (क) में वर्णित किसी बात के होते हुए भी, यदि विभागीय कार्यवाहियां तब संस्थित की गई जब सरकारी कर्मचारी केंद्रीय सिविल सेवा (वर्गीकरण नियंत्रण और अपील) नियमावली, 1965 के नियम 16 के अधीन सेवा में था और सेवानिवृत्ति के पश्चात भी रहा, तो पेंशनभोगी की पेंशन और उपदान पर कोई प्रभाव नहीं पड़ेगा।

(ग) यदि विभागीय कार्यवाहियां उस समय, जब सरकारी कर्मचारी सेवा में था चाहे उसकी सेवानिवृत्ति से पूर्व या उसके पुनः नियोजन के दौरान, संस्थित न की गई हो, तो वे,—

(i) फॉर्मेट 2 में राष्ट्रपति की मंजूरी के बिना संस्थित नहीं की जाएगी;

(ii) ऐसी किसी घटना की बाबत नहीं होगी, जो उक्त संस्थित से पूर्व चार वर्ष से अधिक पहले घटी हो; और

(iii) ऐसे प्राधिकारी द्वारा ऐसे स्थान में जिनके बारे में राष्ट्रपति निर्देश दे और ऐसी प्रक्रिया के अनुसार संचालित की जायेंगी, जो ऐसी विभागीय कार्यवाहियों को लागू होती हों जिसमें सरकारी कर्मचारी के संबंध में सेवा से पदच्युति का आदेश उसकी सेवा के दौरान दिया जा सकता हो:

परंतु इस उपनियम के अधीन विभागीय कार्यवाहियां संस्थित करने की प्रयोजन से, फॉर्मेट 3 में संबंधित पेंशन-भोगी को आदेशों का ज्ञापन देना जाएगा।

(घ) जहां केंद्रीय सिविल सेवा (वर्गीकरण नियंत्रण और अपील) नियमावली, 1965 के अनुसार कार्यवाहियों के दौरान पेंशनभोगी को हेतुक दर्शित करने का अवसर देते हुए पूर्ण रूप से जांच शुरू की जाती है, तो उपनियम (1) के अधीन कारवाई करने से पूर्व और हेतुक दर्शित का अवसर देना आवश्यक नहीं होगा।

(3) ऐसे सरकारी कर्मचारी की दशा में, जो अधिवर्षिता की आयु प्राप्त करने पर या अन्यथा सेवानिवृत्त हुआ हो और जिसके विरुद्ध कोई विभागीय या न्यायिक कार्यवाहियां संस्थित की गई हों या जहां केंद्रीय सिविल सेवा (वर्गीकरण नियंत्रण और अपील) नियमावली, 1965 के नियम 14 के अधीन जारी रखी गई हों, उप-नियम (4) में यथा उपबंधित अंतिम पेंशन संस्वीकृत की जाएगी।

(4) (क) उपनियम (3) में निर्दिष्ट सरकारी कर्मचारी की बाबत, लेखा अधिकारी उस अधिकतम पेंशन के बराबर अंतिम पेंशन प्राधिकृत करेगा जो सरकारी कर्मचारी की सेवानिवृत्ति की तारीख तक, या यदि वह सेवानिवृत्ति की तारीख को निलंबित रहा था, तो उसके निलंबित की जाने की तारीख से ठीक पूर्व तक, उसकी अर्हक सेवा के आधार पर उसे अनुज्ञेय होती।

(ख) लेखा अधिकारी उस अवधि के लिए अंतिम पेंशन प्राधिकृत करेगा जो सेवानिवृत्ति की तारीख से प्रारंभ होकर और उस तारीख तक है, जिसमें वो तारीख भी सम्मिलित है जिसको विभागीय या न्यायिक कार्यवाहियों की समाप्ति के पश्चात सक्षम प्राधिकारी द्वारा अंतिम आदेश पारित किए जाते हैं।

(ग) सरकारी कर्मचारी को तब तक कोई भी उपदान नहीं दिया जाएगा जब तक कि विभागीय या न्यायिक कार्यवाहियां समाप्त नहीं हो जाती और उन पर अंतिम आदेश नहीं दे दिया जाता।

(घ) इस उपनियम के उपबंध वहां लागू नहीं होंगे, जहां किसी सरकारी कर्मचारी के विरुद्ध अवचार के आरोपों की जांच की जा रही हो अथवा जहां किसी सरकारी कर्मचारी के विरुद्ध विभागीय या न्यायिक कार्यवाहियां करने पर विचार किया जा रहा है, किन्तु सरकारी कर्मचारी की सेवानिवृत्ति की तारीख तक उप-नियम (9) के खंड (क) के अनुसार वस्तुतः संस्थित नहीं की गई या संस्थित किया गया नहीं समझा गया है। ऐसे मामलों में, नियम 62 के अनुसार सरकारी कर्मचारी को उसकी सेवानिवृत्ति पर पेंशन और उपदान का संदाय प्राधिकृत किया जाएगा।

परंतु सरकारी कर्मचारी की सेवानिवृत्ति के पश्चात संस्थित की गई कोई भी विभागीय कार्यवाहियां उप-नियम (2) के अधीन होगी।

(5) उप-नियम (4) के अधीन अंतिम पेंशन का संदाय ऐसी कार्यवाहियों की समाप्ति पर सरकारी कर्मचारी को संस्वीकृत अंतिम सेवानिवृत्ति हितलाभों के सापेक्ष समायोजित किन्तु जहां अंतिम रूप में संस्वीकृत पेंशन अंतिम पेंशन से कम है या जहां पेंशन कम हो गई है या स्थायी रूप से या किसी विनिर्दिष्ट अवधि के लिए विधारित कर ली जाती है वहां कोई वसूली नहीं की जाएगी।

(6) जहां कि राष्ट्रपति यह विनिश्चय करें कि पेंशन न तो रोकी ही जाए और न ही प्रत्याहृत की जाए, किन्तु धन संबंधी हानि की पेंशन में से वसूली के आदेश दें, वहां वह वसूली सरकारी कर्मचारी की सेवानिवृत्ति की तारीख को अनुज्ञेय पेंशन की एक तिहाई से अधिक की दर पर सामान्यतया नहीं की जाएगी।

(7) राष्ट्रपति किसी भी समय स्वप्रेरणा से या अन्यथा किसी जांच के अभिलेखों को मांग सकते हैं और संघ लोक सेवा आयोग से परामर्श करके इन नियमों के अधीन किए गए किसी भी आदेश की पुनरीक्षा कर सकते हैं और आदेश की पुष्टि उपांतरण या अपास्त कर सकते हैं, या मामले को किसी प्राधिकारी को यह निर्देश देते हुए विप्रेषित कर सकते हैं कि वह आगे ऐसी जांच करे जो वह मामले की परिस्थितियों में उपयुक्त समझे या ऐसे अन्य आदेश पारित कर सकते हैं जैसे वह ठीक समझे:

परंतु विधारित या प्रत्याहरित की जाने वाली पेंशन या उपदान की रकम में वृद्धि करने वाला कोई आदेश राष्ट्रपति द्वारा तब तक नहीं दिया जाएगा, जब तक कि संबंधित सरकारी कर्मचारी को प्रस्तावित आदेश के विरुद्ध अभ्यावेदन करने का उचित अवसर नहीं दिया जाता है और जब तक संघ लोक सेवा आयोग से परामर्श न किया गया हो।

(8) ऐसी परिशमनकारी अथवा विशेष परिस्थितियां जो पुनर्विलोकन के लिए समुचित आधार हैं या कोई नई सामग्री या साक्ष्य जिसे पुनरीक्षाधीन आदेश के पारित किए जाने के समय प्रस्तुत नहीं किया जा सका था या जो उपलब्ध नहीं थे और जो मामले के स्वरूप में परिवर्तन करने का प्रभाव रखती है, के नोटिस में आने या लाए जाने पर, राष्ट्रपति किसी भी समय, स्वप्रेरणा से या अन्यथा, इन नियमों के अधीन पारित किसी आदेश का पुनर्विलोकन कर सकते हैं।

परंतु विधारित या प्रत्याहरित की जाने वाली पेंशन या उपदान की रकम में वृद्धि करने वाला कोई आदेश राष्ट्रपति द्वारा तब तक नहीं दिया जाएगा, जब तक कि संबंधित सरकारी कर्मचारी को प्रस्तावित आदेश के विरुद्ध अभ्यावेदन करने का उचित अवसर नहीं दिया जाता है और जब तक संघ लोक सेवा आयोग से परामर्श न किया गया हो।

स्पष्टीकरण – इस नियम के प्रयोजन के लिए,—

(1) (क) विभागीय कार्यवाहियां उस तारीख को, जिसको आरोपों का विवरण सरकारी कर्मचारी या पेंशनभोगी को जारी किया गया है, अथवा यदि सरकारी कर्मचारी किसी पूर्वतर तारीख से निलंबित कर दिया गया है तो ऐसी तारीख को संस्थित हुई समझी जाएंगी; तथा

(ख) न्यायिक कार्यवाहियां—

(i) द्वांशिक कार्यवाहियों की दशा में, उस तारीख को संस्थित हुई समझी जाएंगी जिसको किसी पुलिस अधिकारी की शिकायत या रिपोर्ट, जिसका कि मजिस्ट्रेट संज्ञान करता है, की गई; और

(ii) सिविल कार्यवाहियों की दशा में, उस तारीख को संस्थित हुई समझी जाएंगी वादपत्र न्यायालय में पेश किया जाता है।

(2) इस नियम में, अवचार अभिव्यक्ति से पेंशनभोगी द्वारा सेवा की अवधि के दौरान, जिसमें सेवानिवृति के पश्चात पुनर्नियोजन के दौरान की सेवा भी है, किया गया या नहीं किया ऐसा कार्य अभिप्रेत है, और जो केंद्रीय सिविल सेवा (आचरण) नियमावली, 1964 के किन्हीं उपबंधों का उल्लंघन था, जिसके लिए सेवा की अवधि के दौरान केंद्रीय सिविल सेवा (वर्गीकरण नियंत्रण और अपील) नियमावली, 1965 के अधीन कारवाई की जा सकती है।

(3) उपनियम (1) के अधीन कारवाई की जा सकती है, यदि पेंशनभोगी निम्न के लिए दोषी पाया जाता है,—

(i) सेवा के दौरान कोई भी भ्रष्ट आचरण;

(ii) शासकीय कर्तव्य के निष्पादन की बाबत या अन्यथा कोई अवचार; तथा

(iii) किसी प्रकार का अवचार जिसके परिणामस्वरूप सरकार को आर्थिक नुकसान हो या अन्यथा।

(4) सिविल कार्यवाहियां अभिव्यक्ति से ऐसी कार्यवाहियां अभिप्रेत होगी जो केवल सरकार द्वारा दायर सिविल वाद की बाबत हों।

9. सेवानिवृति के पश्चात वाणिज्यिक नियोजन—(1) यदि कोई पेंशनभोगी, जो अपनी सेवानिवृति के ठीक पूर्व केंद्रीय सेवा समूह का सदस्य था, अपनी सेवानिवृति की तारीख से एक वर्ष के अवसान से पूर्व कोई वाणिज्यिक नियोजन स्वीकार करना चाहता है, तो वह ऐसी स्वीकृति के लिए, प्ररूप -1 में एक आवेदन प्रस्तुत करके, सरकार की पूर्व संस्वीकृति प्राप्त करेगा:

परंतु ऐसे सरकारी कर्मचारी को, जिसे सेवानिवृति पूर्व छुट्टी के दौरान किसी विशेष प्रकार का वाणिज्यिक नियोजन ग्रहण करने के लिए सरकार द्वारा अनुज्ञात किया गया था, सेवानिवृति के पश्चात ऐसे नियोजन में बने रहने के लिए बाद में कोई अनुज्ञा प्राप्त करने की आवश्यकता नहीं होगी।

परंतु यह और कि कोई सरकारी कर्मचारी प्रशासनिक मंत्रालय या विभाग की पूर्व अनुज्ञा के बिना सेवा के दौरान वाणिज्यिक नियोजन के लिए बातचीत नहीं करेगा और ऐसी अनुज्ञा तब तक नहीं दी जाएगी जब तक कि ऐसा करने के विशेष कारण न हों।

(2) उपनियम (3) के उपबंधों के अधीन रहते हुए, सरकार पेंशनभोगी द्वारा उपनियम (1) के अधीन आवेदन किए जाने पर लिखित आदेश द्वारा,—

(क) ऐसी शर्तों के अधीन, यदि कोई हो, जैसी कि वह आवश्यक समझे, ऐसे पेंशनभोगी को, आवेदन में विनिर्दिष्ट वाणिज्यिक नियोजन ग्रहण करने के लिए आवश्यक अनुज्ञा प्रदान कर सकेगी; या

(ख) ऐसे पेंशनभोगी को आवेदन में विनिर्दिष्ट वाणिज्यिक नियोजन ग्रहण करने के लिए अनुज्ञा देने से ऐसे कारणों से इन्कार कर सकती है जो आदेश में लेखबद्ध किए जाएंगे।

(3) पेंशनभोगी को कोई वाणिज्यिक नियोजन ग्रहण करने के लिए उप-नियम (2) के अधीन अनुज्ञा प्रदान करने या इन्कार करने में, सरकार निम्नलिखित बातों को ध्यान में रखेगी, अर्थात:-

(क) क्या सेवानिवृत्ति के पश्चात प्रस्तावित वाणिज्यिक नियोजन के लिए संवर्ग नियंत्रण प्राधिकारी से और उस कार्यालय से जहां से अधिकारी सेवानिवृत्त हुआ था, कोई अनापत्ति प्रमाणपत्र प्राप्त किया गया है;

(ख) क्या अधिकारी अपनी सेवा के अंतिम तीन वर्षों में ऐसी संवेदनशील या रणनीतिक सूचना का संसर्गी था जो उस संगठन, जिसमें उसने कार्यग्रहण करने का प्रस्ताव दिया है, के हितों या कार्य के क्षेत्रों में वह प्रैक्टिस करने या परामर्श करने का प्रस्ताव करता है; से प्रत्यक्ष रूप से संबंधित है;

(ग) क्या पिछले तीन वर्षों से उस कार्यालय की नीतियों जिसमें वह कार्यरत था, और उस संगठन जिसमें उसके कार्यग्रहण करने का प्रस्ताव है; के हितों या उस संगठन द्वारा किए गए कार्य के बीच हितों का टकराव हुआ है;

स्पष्टीकरण:- इस खंड के प्रयोजनों के लिए, हितों का टकराव में सरकार या इसके उपक्रमों के साथ सामान्य आर्थिक प्रतिस्पर्धा सम्मिलित नहीं होगी।

(घ) क्या वह संगठन जिसके अधीन उसका नियोजन प्रस्थापित है, किसी भी तरह से भारत के विदेशी संबंधों, राष्ट्रीय सुरक्षा और आंतरिक समन्वय के साथ कभी प्रतिकूल प्रभाव पड़ा हो, और क्या संगठन खुफिया जानकारी प्राप्त करने के लिए कोई गतिविधि कर रहा है;

(ङ) क्या अधिकारी का सेवा रिकार्ड, विशेषकर सत्यनिष्ठा और गैर-सरकारी संगठनों के साथ व्यवहार की बाबत निष्कलक है;

(च) क्या प्रस्तावित परिलब्धियां और आर्थिक लाभ, वर्तमान में उद्योग में प्रचलित परिलब्धियों और आर्थिक लाभों से कहीं अधिक है;

स्पष्टीकरण:- इस उपखंड के प्रयोजनों के लिए, कहीं अधिक शब्दों को ऐसे लाभ में वृद्धि के रूप में नहीं माना जाएगा जो पूर्णतः उद्योग या अर्थव्यवस्था में उछाल के परिणामस्वरूप हो सकता है।

(छ) कोई अन्य सुसंगत तथ्य जो प्रशासनिक मंत्रालय की जानकारी में हो सकते हैं, किन्तु इस नियम में उन मानदंडों को सम्मिलित नहीं किया गया है या ऐसे मामले जिन पर कार्मिक और प्रशिक्षण विभाग द्वारा समय-समय पर विशिष्ट निर्देश जारी किए जा सकेंगे।

(4) वाणिज्यिक नियोजन की अनुज्ञा स्वीकार करने के लिए पेंशनभोगियों के आवेदनों पर भारत सरकार (कार्य संचालन) नियम, 1961 और समय-समय पर सरकार द्वारा जारी अनुदेशों के अनुसार विचार किया जाएगा।

(5) यह सुनिश्चित करने के लिए कि मामले से संबंधित सभी पहलुओं पर उचित ध्यान दिया गया है, प्रशासनिक मंत्रालय या विभाग, द्वारा प्ररूप 2 में जॉच-सूची बनाकर रखी जाएगी।

(6) जहां उपनियम (3) के खंड (ख) से खंड (छ) में उल्लिखित तथ्यों में से किसी भी आधार पर पेंशनभोगी को निरहित नहीं ठहराया जाता है, तो सरकार,-

(i) किसी कंपनी के निदेशक -पद या परामर्श या वृत्तिक क्षेत्रों में प्रैक्टिस के लिए उदारतापूर्वक अनुज्ञा प्रदान कर सकती है;

(ii) वैज्ञानिक, साक्षरता, सांस्कृतिक, सामाजिक और कलात्मक गतिविधियों में सेवानिवृत्ति के पश्चात नियोजन को सक्रिय रूप से प्रोत्साहित कर सकती है;

(iii) गैर-सरकारी क्षेत्र में जिम्मेदारी के पदों के लिए अनुज्ञा देने में उदार हो सकती है; तथा

(iv) अवैतनिक और वेतन वाले नियोजन और स्वनियोजन के बीच अंतर न करें।

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Palakkad: A General body meeting of the members of Railway Pensioners Association, was held on 17 Feb 2022 under the chairman ship of the President of the Association. The following new body was elected for next three years Upto Feb 2025.

1. President: Shri B. Dhakshinamurthy 2. Secretary Shri B Rajaratnam, 3. Treasurer Shri P Thrimurthulu 4. Working President: Shri D A R Reddy along with their team consisting 9 members.

Bojja Dakshinamurthy, President

रेलवे पेंशनर्स समाज सहारनपुर: 26.03.2022 सहारनपुर रेलवे पेंशनर्स समाज की संस्था कार्यालय पर आयोजित मासिक बैठक में संस्थापक आर सी शर्मा ने जानकारी दी कि संस्था का आगामी वार्षिक सम्मेलन 23 अप्रैल 2022 को आयोजित किया जायेगा। एन एस चौहान ने सम्मेलन कार्यक्रम की विस्तृत जानकारी दी। तैयारियों पर चर्चा की गई तथा सदस्यों से अधिकतम संख्या में सम्मिलित होकर सम्मेलन को सफल बनाने का आह्वान किया गया। अध्यक्ष आर के धींगड़ा तथा संचालन महामंत्री मूल चंद रांगड़ा ने किया। विशिष्ट उपस्थिति एवं वक्तागण—हरीश कुमार, देवेन्द्र कुमार, के एल शर्मा, एच सी राम, श्रीकृष्ण आर्य, जे एन शर्मा, अमरनाथ त्यागी, पुरषोत्तम लाल, बलजीत जायसवाल, अजीत सिंह, बलदेव राज, वेद प्रकाश, अनुपम गाबा, मंजीत कौर, जे पी शर्मा, आदि।

रेलवे पेंशनर्स एसोसिएशन झांसी: रेलवे पेंशनर्स एसोसिएशन झांसी में रंग पंचमी के अवसर पर होली मिलन समारोह का आयोजन किया गया। जिसमें के एन श्रीवास्तव जी की अध्यक्षता में कवियों ने होली से संबंधित कविता व्यंग एवं रचना सुनाकर प्रस्तुति दी। इस अवसर पर आर के सहरिया रामबाबू त्रिपाठी। सुभाष

श्रीवास्तव जी। अंचल अर्जरिया। खड़क जीत सिंह। सरजू प्रसाद। अशोक ठकराल, बाबूलाल, आर के शर्मा जी। इत्यादि उपस्थित रहे कार्यक्रम का संचालन। एस के अग्निहोत्री जी ने किया एवं आभार। महामंत्री प्रदीप श्रीवास्तव द्वारा किया गया।

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Payment of family pension, death gratuity and other dues—Clarification on applicability of orders retrospectively and NPS R.B.E. No. 32/2022

GOI-MOR (RLY BOARD)No. D-43/43/2020-F(E)III New Delhi, dated:17.03.2022.

The General Managers/Principal Financial Advisors, All Zonal Railways/Production Units etc.,

(As per mailing list)

Sub:- Payment of family pension, death gratuity and other dues to the family on death of a Railway servant during service – regarding.

Please refer to the Board's letter of even number dated 04.06.2021 circulating DOP&PW's O.M. No. 1/11/2021-P&PW/(E) dated 03.06.2021 vide which order was issued providing for instructions regarding payment of family pension, death gratuity and other dues to the family on death of a Railway Servant during service.

2. One of the Zonal Railways had sought clarification regarding the applicability of the Board's instructions dated 04.06.2021 on the past cases.

3. The issue has been examined in consultation with Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare (DOP&PW) and it is clarified that Board's instructions of even number dated 04.06.2021 are also applicable in respect of employees who expired before the date of issue of the said order irrespective of deceased employee covered under Old Pension scheme or under NPS.

This also disposes of North Eastern Railway's letter No./2019 dated 25.02.2022.

(Sanjay Prashar) Deputy Director, Finance (Estt.)III, Railway Board.

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A0810	DOT BSNL P Assn	Gujarat	07/23
A4212	P Offrs Pens Assn	Vijaywada	03/23
M6937	A/cs Genl Officers	Hyderabad	09/23
M8637	G Penrs Wel Orgn	Muzaffar Ngr	06/23
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A4042	Vijay Pal Singh	Faridabad	03/23
M8647	GT Kumshikar	Dharwad	03/23
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A4328	D Madan Pandit	Maharashtra	03/23
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M8999	PDK Swamy	Gurugram	03/23
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A2753	MS Bansode	Mumbai	03/23
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A4209	Jaspal Singh Viridi	Hoshiarpur	04/23

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M8469	Satinder Kumar	Noida	03/24
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M7777	Ram Bilas Singh	Bihar	10/24
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A0853	VK Goverdhan	Hyderabad	03/25
A0520	Bibek Bandhu Paul	Kolkata	03/25
A0652	JD Mangla	Ghaziabad	04/25
L9150	Gurdip S Khinda	Gurugram	03/25
A3967	S Dhanraj Babu	Banagaluru	03/25
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M8677	D Venkatesan	Chennai	04/25
M8635	DP Jain	Muzzaffar Ngr	05/25

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A0398	K P Prashar	Haryana	NA	M7740	Bikas K Chakrabarti	W Bangal	8961257742, 033-25856162
M8637	Govt Pen Wel Orgn	U P	9412494987	A1023	Venu Gopal	Orrisa	9556713112
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A0766	B K Maheshwari	Delhi	9953105889	A4214	Vijay Kapoor	Delhi	9582078240
A3306	R N Kapur	Delhi	9868010565	A1708	R P Welfare Assn	M H	9420781659
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A3487	Balkar Singh	Punjab	9855324267	A4403	A Kannana	Tamilnadu	9840608537
A0759	D K Malhotra	Punjab	9888767583	A3297	Coffee Bord Pen.	Karnataka	9448375138
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M8440	H N Patil	Mhtra	9422224284	A3492	H K Vohra	Delhi	9891344250
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M4778	P S Sastry	Telangana	9866375670	A0006	Prem Chand	Haryana	9416296300
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L9010	G N Bhat	Karnataka	NA	A2837	Ranvir Singh Rajput	U P	9457001696
L9022	B RajaSekhar	Karnataka	NA	A9005	Prakash C Bhushan	Rajasthan	NA
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L9013	K Umapathi	Karnataka	NA	A3285	D Vijay Kumar	Telangana	9849833936
L9011	M P Yashoda	Karnataka	NA	A0271	V. SUNKAPPA	A P	9441668770
L9015	R Raghu	Karnataka	NA	A0031	Segu Kotilingam	A P	9848596505
L9017	Radha Bai	Karnataka	NA	A4241	BalaKrishna G	Karnataka	903544293
L9018	M Natarajan	Karnataka	NA	L9600	V Venkataraman	Tamilnadu	NA
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A4100	R Sathyanaryanan	Karnataka	NA	A1457	Retd. C G Employee	U P	9720298369
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