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TREASURY BUILDINGS, KOLKATA-700 001.

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Subject : Revision of pension/family pension and grant of dearness relief in respect of pre-01-07-2019 Kerala Government pensioners/family pensioners with effect from 01-07-2019.

This is to state that the Government of Kerala in their G O (P) Nos. 30/2021/Fin. dated 12-02-2021 and 35/2021/Fin. dated 23-02-2021 has revised pension/family pension and related benefits in respect of their pre-01-07-2019 pensioners/family pensioners with effect from 01-07-2019.

2. These orders are applicable to all the pensioners/family pensioners who are on Kerala State Pension Scheme and governed by KSRs Part III, pensioners/family pensioners of Aided College/Aided School staff governed by Chapter III of the Pension Statute/Chapter XIV B of Kerala Education Rules, Part-Time teachers and Part-Time Contingent pensioners/family pensioners.

3. These orders are not applicable to All India Service pensioners, Retired High Court Judges, Ex-Chairman/Members governed by KPSC regulations, Retired Kerala State Judicial Officers governed by Central Judicial Scales of pay, Ex-personal staff of Ministers/Leader of Opposition/Government Chief Whip etc. and Re-employed pensioners.

4. The minimum basic pension/family pension stands enhanced to Rs.11500/- per month with effect from 01-07-2019. The maximum ceiling on pension and family pension will be 50% and 30% respectively of the highest pay (i.e. Rs.1,66,800/-) under Kerala Government.

5. Pension/family pension in respect of those who retired/expired while in service prior to 01-07-2019 shall be revised with effect from 01-07-2019 as per principles laid down herein :

i) Consolidated Pension = Existing Basic Pension (as on 30-06-2019) x 1.38 (rounded to next ten rupees). Personal allowance, if any received, shall be included in the existing basic pension.

ii) Minimum Assured Pension = 50% of minimum of the corresponding revised scale of the post from which the pensioner retired x Qualifying Service/30.

The consolidated pension or minimum assured pension arrived in either 5(i) or 5(ii), whichever is beneficial, will be revised pension. If, in any case, the revised pension, so arrived at is less than the minimum pension of Rs.11500/-, it shall be enhanced to the level of the revised minimum pension.

Personal Allowance : While fixing pension as above, if any drop occurs to any pensioner on the total amount (basic pension + DR @ 28%) he has been drawing before revision of pension, such drop shall not be recovered and shall be protected as personal allowance from time to time till the drop vanishes. DR shall be given to such personal allowance vide Government Orders read 3rd and 4th above. No protection will be allowed if the pension drawn in excess is consequent on erroneous fixation. However, the provisions will not apply to pensioners, those who were sanctioned minimum pension as per special orders of the Government, in such cases pension shall be fixed as minimum pension, i.e. Rs.11500/-.

6. Revision of Family Pension :

In the case of family pensioners, the revision as above is applicable to both normal and higher rate of family pension. If the consolidated family pension (normal rate) arrived by applying the principle of 5 (i) and (ii) above is less than 30% of the minimum of the corresponding revised scale of the post from which the pensioner retired/expired while in service, the family pension shall be stepped up to that amount.

Pro-rata Pension : As per the GO (P) No. 405/1992/Fin. dated 21-05-1992, dearness relief on pension has been granted to pro-ratapensioners on their final quittance from the absorbed service. Therefore, consolidation of pension as contemplated in para 5 (i) is only applicable to them subject to a minimum basic pension of Rs.11500/-.

Compassionate Allowance : In respect of those who are in receipt of compassionate allowance, consolidation contemplated in para 5 (i) is only applicable. If the amount so arrived is less than minimum, the pension shall be stepped up to the revised minimum, i.e. Rs.11500/-. However, the revision of pension based on the minimum of the corresponding revised scale of pay of the post from which the pensioner retired is not applicable to them.

7. Part Time Pension and Part Time Family Pension : The present system of computation of pension at 50% of the last ten months average emolument, subject to the satisfaction of the condition of earning full pension or part thereof (depending on the length of qualifying service) will continue. The normal rate of family pension will continue as 30% of last pay.

The minimum basic pension will be enhanced to Rs.5750/- per month (i.e. 50% of Rs.11500/-, the minimum of the lowest scale of pay) and maximum pension will be Rs.11485/- (i.e. 50% of Rs.22970/-, the maximum of the highest scale of pay). The maximum family pension (normal rate) will be Rs.6891/- (i.e. 30% of Rs.22970/-, i.e. maximum of the highest scale of pay) and the minimum family pension will be Rs.3450/- (i.e. 30% of Rs.11500/-, the minimum of the lowest scale of pay). If, in any case, the revised family pension (para 12.2) so arrived at is less than the minimum family pension of Rs.3450/-, it shall be enhanced to the level of the revised minimum family pension.

8. Ex-gratia Pension : Ex-gratia pensioners are eligible for revised pension and family pension with effect from 01-07-2019 at the rates specified in para 17 of the GO, based on their length of qualifying service. They are also entitled to dearness relief on pension

Dearness Relief : The rate of dearness relief on revised pension/family pension will be as under :

Date of effect	Rate of dearness relief
01-07-2019	Nil
01-01-2020	4% of basic pension/family pension
01-07-2020	7% of basic pension/family pension

Medical Allowance : (i) Medical Allowance to pensioners and family pensioners shall be enhanced to Rs.500/- per month with effect from 01-04-2021 and be continued till the implementation of a Medical Insurance scheme for pensioners and family pensioners.

(ii) If a pensioner draws more than one pension or both pension and family pension, only one Medical Allowance is payable.

(iii) Medical Allowance to Part time pensioners and family pensioners shall be enhanced to Rs.300/- per month with effect from 01-04-2021 and be continued till the implementation of a Medical Insurance scheme for pensioners and family pensioners.

Ex-gratia pensioners, re-employed pensioners and employed family pensioners are not eligible for Medical Allowance.

Special Care Allowance : 'Special Care Allowance' @ Rs.1000/- per month shall be granted to the service pensioners/family pensioners/part time pensioners/part time family pensioners/ex-gratia pensioners/ex-gratia family pensioners on completion of 80 years of age with effect from 01-04-2021. No dearness relief is admissible for Special Care Allowance.

9. Ex-gratia pensioners who retired prior to 01-07-2019 are eligible for revised pension with effect from 01-07-2019 at the rates mentioned below based on their length of qualifying service :

Completed year of qualifying service	Consolidated amount per month		Ex-gratia family pension	Revised rate
	Existing	Revised		
9 years	7650	10600	2295	3200
8 years	6800	9400	2040	2850
7 years	5950	8250	1785	2500
6 years	5100	7050	1530	2150
5 years	4250	5900	1275	1800
4 years	3400	4700	1020	1450
3 years & below	2250	3550	765	1100

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10. Revision of pension/family pension of all pre-01-07-2019 pensioners/family pensioners shall be done by the pension disbursing authorities concerned on receipt of application from the pensioners/family pensioners including provisional pension holders in triplicate in Appendix I (copy enclosed). After revision, the pension disbursing authorities shall prepare a statement in Appendix II (copy enclosed) in triplicate and send one copy of the same to the pensioner and one copy to the Pr. Accountant General (A&E), Kerala routed through this office.

11. The revised pension/family pension will be granted in cash with effect from 01-04-2021.

12. Having been authorized by the Principal Accountant General (A&E), Kerala in their letter No. PM/2/9-7/20-21/69 dated 12-04-2021, it is requested to make necessary arrangement for revision of pension/family pension in respect of Kerala Government pensioners/family pensioners of aforesaid categories as per instructions laid down above and after proper adjustment.

13. This order shall not be applicable to post-01-07-2019 pensioners/family pensioners of the Government of Kerala. In their cases separate individual authorities will be issued from this office on receipt of the same from the Accountant General (A&E), Kerala.

14. The charges on this account should be debitible to the head "8793-I.S.S. A/cs.; Government of Kerala etc."

15. The relevant G O may be downloaded from the Government of Kerala website www.finance.kerala.gov.in.

Receipt of the circular may please be acknowledged.

Encl : Appendix I and II

[Signature]
Sr. Accounts Officer

Copy to :

1. Accountant General (A&E), Kerala, M G Road, P B No. 5607, Thiruvananthapuram – 695 001.
2. General Manager/Manager of all concerned Link Branches of Public Sector Banks in Kolkata.
(Under Special Seal)
3. All Treasury Officers in West Bengal.
4. Director of Treasuries and Accounts, Government of West Bengal, Mitra Building, 3rd floor, 8, Lyons Range, Kolkata-700 001.
5. OSD & Ex-officio Joint Secretary, Finance (e-governance group) Department, Government of West Bengal, Nabanna, 12th floor, Room No. 1205, 325 Sarat Chandra Chatterjee Road, PO – Shibpur, Howrah – 711 102.
6. Chief Accountant, Reserve Bank of India, Deptt. of Government & Bank Accounts, Byculla Office Building, 4th floor, Opp. Mumbai Central Railway Station, Byculla, Mumbai-400 008.
7. Director General of Audit (Central), Kolkata, G.I. Press Building, 8, Kiran Sankar Roy Road, Kolkata-700 001.
8. BO-in-charge : PPA PP Pen-VI Pen-IV PPParty & PFC of this office.
9. AAO-in-charge : PPA PP Pen-VI Pen-IV PPParty & PFC of this office.
10. BO & AAO-in-charge of PenIDP with the request to send a scanned copy of the circular to DTA, West Bengal at dtawestbengal@gmail.com and ifms-wb@gov.in. He is also requested to upload the circular in this office website in employees' login.
11. BO & AAO-in-charge of Admn. Hindi Cell with the request to translate the circular in Hindi.
12. BO & AAO-in-charge of AM, Legal Cell & TParty (uploaded in this office website in employees' login).

APPENDIX I

(Use both sides of same paper. Submit in triplicate. Write PPO number in Box)

PPO No.

APPLICATION FOR REVISION OF PENSION/FAMILY PENSION (Refer G.O.(P) No.30/2021/Fin, dated 12/02/2021)

1. Name of the Pensioner/Family Pensioner (Capital Letters)	
2. Nature of Pension	Service Pension/Family Pension/Part Time Pension/Part Time Family Pension/Ex-gratia Pension/Ex-gratia Family Pension(Strike off which ever is not applicable)
3. Postal Address with PIN	
4. Mobile Phone Number	
5. Date of Birth of Pensioner/Family Pensioner	
6. Aadhar No. of Pensioner/Family Pensioner	
7. PAN of Pensioner/Family Pensioner	
8. Office/Institution from which retired	
9. Date of Retirement/death while in service	
10. Date of Superannuation (for teaching staff)	
11. Date of death of pensioner (in case of death after retirement)	
12. Name of Treasury/Bank branch from which pension is being received	
13. Designation at time of retirement (give Time Bound Higher Grade-TBHG-if applicable & available)	
14. Last pay drawn	
15. Scale of pay at time of retirement	

16. Corresponding revised scale.	
17. No. of years of Qualifying Service	
18. Address of Pension Sanctioning Authority	
19. Date of Joining service.	
20. Date(s) of restoration of commuted portion.	
21. Date of commencement of pension	
22. Date of commencement of family pension	
23. Other Information that the pensioner may like to give:	

Certified that the information furnished above are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I also agree to recover any amount found to be excess from my arrears of pension, arrears of dearness relief and future dearness relief of pension.

Place :

Signature & Name of
Pensioner/Family Pensioner

Date :

INSTRUCTIONS TO PENSIONER/FAMILY PENSIONER

1. Pension Payment Order(PPO)No. which is most crucial, must be written in Box No. at the top.
2. Blue or black ink will be used by the Treasury and the Accountant General.
3. Please use forms printed/copied on a single sheet i.e page 2 should be on the reverse of page 1.
Avoid multiple sheets.
4. The application form has to be submitted to the Treasury in triplicate.
5. Attach the copy of PPO, last pension revision statement if available.

APPENDIX II
FOR USE IN TREASURY

PPO No.

1. Name of the Pensioner/Family Pensioner (Capital Letters)	
2. Nature of Pension	Service Pension/Family Pension/Part Time Pension/Part Time Family Pension/Ex-gratia Pension/Ex-gratia Family Pension (Strike off which ever is not applicable)
3. Postal Address with PIN	
4. Mobile Phone Number	

1. Information available from Pension Documents (Write "NA", if information is not available in Pension Documents)

(a) Designation at time of retirement including TBHG, if applicable & available.	
(b) Scale of pay at the time of retirement	
(c) Last drawn Basic Pay	
(d) No of years of Qualifying Service	

2. Pre-revised pension as on 30/06/2019

(a) Pension	
(b) Family Pension at higher rate	
(c) Family Pension at lower rate.	

3. Revised Pension as on 01/07/2019.

(a) Pension	
(b) Family Pension at higher rate	
(c) Family Pension at lower rate.	
(d) Arrears paid	
(e) Other relevant information, if any	

Place:

Date:

(Seal)

Signature of Treasury Officer/Branch Manger
Designation & Name of Office
Phone number with STD Code
Postal Address