

OFFICE OF THE ACCOUNTANT GENERAL (A&E), WEST BENGAL
TREASURY BUILDINGS, KOLKATA – 700001

Circular No. Pen. Co-ordn./65 Vol-VI/96

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Subject : Clarification on revision of Pension / Family Pension and extension of revised rates of Dearness Relief and other benefits in respect of Judicial Officers of the Government of West Bengal

Subsequent to issue of circular vide No. Pen. Co-ordn./65Vol-V/94 dated 27/09/2023 followed by Pen. Co-ordn./65 Vol.V/15 dated 29/04/2024 regarding the subject cited above, this office is in receipt of various communications from Pension Disbursing Authorities including Public Sector Banks disbursing Government pension in Kolkata Municipal Corporation Area, seeking certain clarification regarding modus operandi of revision of pension as per recommendation of Second National Judicial Pay Commission in respect of Officers of West Bengal Judicial Service / family pensioner of such category who retired / died in harness prior to 01/01/2006.

2. Therefore, with a view to facilitate Pension Disbursing Authorities for effecting such revision of pension following is stated -

(a) In case of pre-2006 pensioner having qualifying service of 33 years and above, **pension per mensem drawn before 01/01/2006**, as mentioned in certificate issued by the Judicial Department, Government of West Bengal to the Pension Disbursing Authority in accordance with their Memo No. 7014-J dated 25/10/2010, to be multiplied with factor of two. Amount thus arrived at to be considered as pay / notional last pay prior to 01/01/2006. Pension Disbursing Authority shall locate such notional last pay in column 2 of Annexure-I to this circular and find out the quantum of pay corresponding thereto from the Column No. 5 thereof. Such quantum of pay, thus arrived, if transposed to column 2 of Annexure-I of previous circular dated 27/09/2023 *ibid*, issued by this office in this regard, would reveal corresponding notional last pay as on 01/01/2016, as specified in Column 3, on which revised pension / revised family pension effective from 01/01/2016 to be calculated as

per Column 4 & 5 of the said annexure (Annexure-I of the previous circular dated 27/09/2023).

- (b) If the qualifying service is less than 33 years, such cases to be forwarded to Judicial Department, Government of West Bengal for ascertaining quantum of last pay drawn prior to 01/01/2006.
- (c) Cases, where pension of a pre-2006 retiree Judicial Officers cannot be revised by the Pension Disbursing Authority in absence of certificate issued from the Judicial Department, i.e. Pension Sanctioning Authority for implementation of GO No. 7014-J dated 25/10/2010 or due to whatsoever reason, such cases are to be referred to the Judicial Department, Government of West Bengal under intimation to the pensioners concerned.
- (d) For retired Judicial Officers of the Government of West Bengal or family pensioners of such category, drawing pension / family pension from other State, office of the concerned State Accountant General would facilitate revision of pension / family pension through Disbursing Authority of that State.
- (e) Cases, where revised pension / family pension of pensioners / family pensioners drawing pension from other State cannot be ascertained, the same may be taken up with the Judicial Department, Government of West Bengal, routed through this office.
3. Pensioners / family pensioners are also entitled to dearness relief on their additional quantum of pension / family pension.
4. For the purpose of determination of age of family pensioner, when the date of birth is not available in Pension Payment Order, anyone of the under mentioned documents shall be accepted as proof of date of birth / age for payment of additional quantum of family pension on completion of age of 75 years. In case of different dates of birth in different certificates / documents mentioned below, the date of birth first recorded and accepted in the office of the Government of West Bengal for payment of family pension shall be final –

(a) School final / Madhyamik or equivalent examination admit card / certificate.

(b) Voter I Card (EPIC)

(c) PAN Card

(d) Aadhaar Card

5. The benefit of Domestic Help Allowance will be increased by 30% of the admissible rate as per the G.O. 1029-J on completion of five years from 01/01/2016 that is, w.e.f. 01/01/2021, regardless the date of retirement of the pensioners concerned as clarified by Government of West Bengal in their Judicial Department letter No. I/548251/2024-J JD/V/2A-12/24 dated 21/08/2024.

6. For Judicial Officers who retired / died-in-harness on or after 01-01-2016, revised authority for pension / family pension would be issued by the office of the Accountant General (A&E), West Bengal to all Pension Disbursing Authorities / office of the Accountants General (A&E) in other State. When a retired officer opts for additional commutation on account of revision of pension, such additional commutation will be restored after fifteen years from the date of superannuation of the Judicial Officer.

7. Information regarding payment of pension / family pension, revision of such pension, commutation and its restoration, payment of additional quantum of pension etc., as applicable for pre-2016 and post-2016 pensioners to be forwarded to the office of the Accountant General (A&E), West Bengal, as per format mentioned in Annexure-II and Annexure-III of this circular respectively in soft copies through e-mail edppen-agac-wb@nic.in, on six monthly basis for maintaining record at this end.

8. All concerned Pension Disbursing Authorities, are therefore, requested to make necessary arrangements for payment of revised pension / family pension along with dearness relief at revised rates, revised fixed medical allowance and domestic help allowance as per guidelines mentioned above, after proper adjustment.

9. All other conditions with regard to revision of pension / family pension and other ancillary benefits under Second National Judicial Pay Commission, communicated vide this office circular dated 27/09/2023 followed by circular dated 29/04/2024 remain unchanged.

Receipt of the circular may please be acknowledged.

Encl : As stated


Sr. Accounts Officer

Annexure-I

(Originally Annexure-II to Judicial Department, Government of West Bengal Memo. No. 7012-J dated 25/10/2010)

Serial No.	Pay	DP	Total Emoluments for calculation of pension	Pay	Revised pension	
					@-50%	@-30%
1	9000	4500	13500	27700	13850	8310
2	9250	4625	13875	28740	14370	8622
3	9500	4750	14250	29240	14620	8772
4	9750	4875	14625	30010	15005	9003
5	10000	5000	15000	30780	15390	9234
6	10250	5125	15375	31550	15775	9465
7	10500	5250	15750	32320	16160	9696
8	10750	5375	16125	33090	16545	9927
9	11050	5525	16575	34010	17005	10203
10	11350	5675	17025	34930	17465	10479
11	11650	5825	17475	35850	17925	10755
12	11950	5975	17925	36770	18385	11031
13	12250	6125	18375	37690	18845	11307
14	12550	6275	18825	38610	19305	11583
15	12850	6425	19275	39530	19765	11859
16	13150	6575	19725	40450	20225	12135
17	13500	6750	20250	41530	20765	12459
18	13850	6925	20775	42610	21305	12783
19	14200	7100	21300	43690	21845	13107
20	14550	7275	21825	44770	22385	13431
21	14900	7450	22350	45850	22925	13755
22	15250	7625	22875	46930	23465	14079
23	15600	7800	23400	48010	24005	14403
24	15950	7975	23925	49090	24545	14727
25	16350	8175	24525	50320	25160	15096
26	16750	8375	25125	51550	25775	15465
27	17150	8575	25725	52780	26390	15834
28	17550	8775	26325	54010	27005	16203
29	17950	8975	26925	55240	27620	16572
30	18350	9175	27525	56470	28235	16941
31	18750	9375	28125	57700	28850	17310
32	19150	9575	28725	58930	29465	17679
33	19600	9800	29400	60310	30155	18093
34	20050	10025	30075	61690	30845	18507
35	20500	10250	30750	63070	31535	18921
36	20950	10475	31425	64450	32225	19335
37	21400	10700	32100	65830	32915	19749
38	21850	10925	32775	67210	33605	20163
39	22350	11175	33525	68750	34375	20625
40	22850	11425	34275	70290	35145	21087
41	23350	11675	35025	71830	35915	21549
42	23850	11925	35775	73370	36685	22011
43	24350	12175	36525	74910	37455	22473
44	24850	12425	37275	76450	38225	22935

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