

OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT GENERAL (A&E)  
WEST BENGAL  
TREASURY BUILDINGS, KOLKATA-700 001.

Circular No. Pen. Co-ordn./Punjab/Vol.- VII/DR-Un-rev/37

Date : 01-06-2026

**Subject : (i) Grant of Dearness Relief with effect from 01-11-2016 to the Punjab Government pensioners/family pensioners who are drawing un-revised pension/family pension as per 4<sup>th</sup> Punjab Pay Commission; and**  
**(ii) Payment of arrears of pension/family pension with effect from 01-01-2016 to 30-06-2021 to the Punjab Government pensioners/family pensioners who are drawing un-revised pension/family pension as per 4<sup>th</sup> Punjab Pay Commission.**

In continuation to this office circular No. Pen. Co-ordn./Punjab/Vol.- VI/DR-rev.&un-rev./148 dated 16-11-2017, this is to state that the Government of Punjab in their circular letter No. FD-FP-10DA/1/2024-1FP1 (3FPPC)/21 dated 10-03-2026 has sanctioned dearness relief to their pensioners/family pensioners/extra ordinary pensioners who are drawing un-revised pay scales as per 4<sup>th</sup> Punjab Pay Commission, at the rate and from the date as under :

Date of effect	Rate of dearness relief per month	Remarks
01-11-2016	245% of basic pension/family pension	including Dearness Pension/Dearness Family Pension
01-02-2019	268% of basic pension/family pension	
01-11-2019	274% of basic pension/family pension	
01-03-2020	284% of basic pension/family pension	
01-07-2021	312% of basic pension/family pension	
01-11-2021	356% of basic pension/family pension	
01-10-2022	368% of basic pension/family pension	
01-12-2023	396% of basic pension/family pension	
01-11-2024	412% of basic pension/family pension	

4. Payment of dearness relief involving a fraction of a rupee shall be rounded off to the next higher rupee if the same is 50 paise or above. Conversely, it will be rounded off to the lower side if the same is less than 50 paise.

5. Other provisions governing grant of dearness relief to pensioners/family pensioners such as regulation of dearness relief during employment/re-employment and regulation of dearness relief where more than one pension is drawn etc. will remain unchanged.

6. The arrears arising from the subsequent release of dearness relief installments after 01-11-2016 shall be disbursed strictly in accordance with the schedule/time prescribed in Notification No. 03/01/2021-1FP1/12 dated 18-02-2025, circulated under this office No. Pen. Co-ordn./Punjab/Vol.- VII/Arrear/21 dated 19-05-2025, has decided to pay the arrears of the revised pension/family pension with effect from 01-01-2016 to 30-06-2021 to their pensioners/family pensioners, as under :

- Immediately to the pensioners/family pensioners having 85 years of age and above as well as in case of deceased family pensioners, to their legal heirs.
- In 12 (twelve) equal monthly installments during the financial year 2025-26 (April 2025 to March 2026) to the pensioners having 75 years but below 85 years of age and also in case of deceased pensioners, to the family pensioner/legal heirs.
- In 42 (forty two) monthly installments to the pensioners below the age of 75 years, as mentioned below –

Sl. No.	Year to which the arrears relates	No. of equal monthly installments	Period for payment
1.	2016 and 2017	15	Installment will start from the month of April 2025
2.	2018 and 2019	18	Installment will start from the month of July 2026
3.	2020 and 2021 (upto 30-06-2021)	9	Installment will start from the month of January 2028

The arrears pertaining to installments falling due after 01-07-2021 shall be released immediately.

7. Having been authorized by the Accountant General (A&E), Punjab in their authority No. Pen-12/Imp.Order/25-26/45214-45248 dated 02-04-2026, it is requested to make necessary arrangement for payment of dearness relief to the concerned Punjab Government pensioners/family pensioners/extra ordinary pensioners drawing pension/family pension as per 4<sup>th</sup> Punjab Pay Commission, i.e. on their un-revised basic pension/family pension and Dearness Pension/Dearness Family Pension at the rate and from the date mentioned above. It is also requested to make necessary arrangement for payment of arrears of the revised pension/family pension to the concerned Punjab Government pensioners/family pensioners as per instructions laid down above after adjustment of the amount already paid.

8. The charges on this accounts are debitable to the head "8793-I.S.S.A/cs.; Government of Punjab etc."

*Receipt of the circular may please be acknowledged.*

  
2/6/26  
Sr. Accounts Officer

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