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OFFICE OF THE ACCOUNTANT GENERAL (A&E), WEST BENGAL

TREASURY BUILDINGS, KOLKATA: 700 001

Circular No. Pen.Co-ordn./55 Vol.VII/ 142 Vol.III/65 Vol.V/66 Vol-IV/205 Date: 14/03/2024

Subject:-

Grant of revised rate of Dearness Relief @ 50% to Central Government Pensioners / Family Pensioners etc. effective from 01/01/2024

In continuation to this office circular No. Pen. Co-ordn./55 Vol.VII/142 Vol.III/65 Vol.IV/ 66 Vol.III/122 dated 16/11/2023, it is stated that Government of India, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions, Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare under their O.M. No 42/02/2024-P&PW(D) dated 13/03/2024 have sanctioned Dearness Relief at the rate of 50% with effect from 01/01/2024 in supersession of the rate mentioned in O.M. No Civilian Central dated 27/10/2023 to (i) 42/04/2023-P&PW(D) pensioners/family pensioners including absorbee pensioners in PSU/Autonomous Bodies (ii) The Armed Forces Pensioners, Civilian Pensioners paid out of the Defence Service Estimates, (iii) All India Service Pensioners / family pensioners (iv) Railway Pensioners / family pensioners (v) Pensioners who are in receipt of provisional pension (vi) The Burma Civilian Pensioners / Family Pensioners and (vii) Pensioners/families of displaced Government pensioners from Pakistan.

- This circular will not be applicable to
 - (a) CPF beneficiaries, their widows and eligible children who are in receipt of exgratia payment in terms of Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare OM No. 45/52/97-P&PW(E) dated 16/12/1997 and revised subsequently vide OM No. 1/10/2012-P&PW(E) dated 27/06/2013.
 - (b) Burma Military pensioners / family pensioners.
- The retired officers of West Bengal Judicial Service and family pensioners of such category would not come within the ambit of this circular and a separate circular letter in respect of such category of pensioners / family pensioners will be issued separately on enhancement of such applicable rate.

- In the case of retired Judges of the High Court, separate circular will be issued on receipt of necessary order from the Ministry of Law and Justice (Department of Justice).
- Amount of Dearness Relief involving a fraction of a rupee shall be rounded off to the next higher rupee.
- The payment of arrears of Dearness Relief shall not be made before the date of disbursement of pension / family pension of March, 2024.
- It will be the responsibility of the pension disbursing authorities, including nationalized banks etc. to calculate the quantum of Dearness Relief payable in each individual case.
- 8. All concerned Pension Disbursing Officers are, therefore, requested to make necessary arrangement for payment of Dearness Relief @ 50% to the above eligible categories of pensioners/ family pensioners with effect from 01/01/2024, along with arrear of dearness relief following the above guideline, as applicable, after proper adjustment.
- Charges for payment of above enhanced rate of dearness relief to the pensioners / family pensioners are debitable to the Government of India/Railway/Defence Accounts under the proper head of account as usual.
- 10. Receipt of the circular may please be acknowledged.

Sr. Accounts Officer Pension Co-ordination

Copy to :-

- The General Manager/Manager of all concerned Link Branches (Under Special Seal) of Public Sector Banks in Kolkata. 2. Pay & Accounts Officer, PAO-V, Tis Hazarl, New Delhi. (Under Special Seal) PIN-110054 3. All Accountants General. (Under Special Seal) 4. Director, Directorate of Accounts and Treasuries, Govt of Pondicherry Pondicherry PIN-605001 (Under Special Seal) Director, Directorate of Accounts, Pension section. (Under Special Seal) Fazenda Building, Behind Old Secretariat, Panaji, Goa, PIN-403001 PAO Andaman, Andaman & Nicobar Island, Port Blair. (Under Special Seal) PIN-744101 7. Asstt. Military Attache (P), Embassy of India, Military Pension (Under Special Seal) Branch, Kathmandu, Nepal - 1. 8. Secretary, Finance Department, Govt. of Sikkim, Gantok, Sikkim (Under Special Seal) PIN-737101 Controller of Accounts, Office of the Pr. Chief Controller of Accounts Akbar Bhawan, Chanakya Puri. (Under Special Seal) Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi-110021. Director of Accounts, Government of Arunachal Pradesh. (Under Special Seal) D-Sector, Naharlagun, PIN - 791110 Director of Audit and Pension, Government of Arunachal Pradesh. (Under Special Seal) D-Sector, Naharlagun, PIN - 791110
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- 13. All Treasuries in West Bengal.
- Director of Treasuries and Accounts, Government of West Bengal, Mitra Building, 3rd Floor, 8, Lyons Range, Kolkata – 700 001 for information.
- The OSD & Ex-Officio Joint Secretary, Finance (e-governance group) Department, Nabanna, (12th Floor), Room No. 1205, 325 Sarat Chandra Chatterjee Road, P.O.-Shibpur, Howrah – 711102
- Director General of Audit (Central), Kolkata, G.I.Press Building, 8, K.S. Roy Road, Kolkata – 700 001.
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P19/IV/DRSSA-1/ 7550

Dated (5.04.2024

To,

All District/Sub Treasury Officer/Banks

Sir,

Sub: Grant of revised rate of Dearness Relief @ 50% w.e.f. 01.01.2024 to Central Government Pensioners/Family Pensioners. – reg.

Ref: SSA No. /Circular No. Pen.Co-ordn./55 Vol.VII/142 Vol.III/65 Vol.V/66 Vol-IV dated 14.03.2024 received from the office of the Principal Accountant General (A&E), West Bengal, Kolkata.

I am to enclose herewith the copy of Special Seal Authority received from the office of the Principal Accountant General (A&E), West Bengal, regarding grant of revised rate of Dearness Relief @ 50% w.e.f. 01.01.2024 to Central Government Pensioners/Family Pensioners. The same is being placed in the official website of this office, www.cag.gov.in/ae/kerala/en, under pension - download under the link "Treasury Endorsement of Orders for other state Pensioners". A copy of this letter may be exhibited on the notice board of the treasuries.

Encl.: As stated above.

Yours faithfully

Sr. Accounts Officer

Copy to:-

The Director of Treasuries
 Thiruvananthapuram

The Office of the Principal Accountant General (A&E)
 West Bengal, Treasury Buildings, Kolkata – 700 001

-For Information.

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