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Circular No. Pen.Co-ordn./55 Vol.VI/ 142 Vol.III/65 Vol.IV/66 Vol-III/153

Date: 22/11/2017

Subject:- Grant of revised rate of Dearness Relief to Central Government pensioners / Family Pensioners etc. effective from 01/07/2017

In continuation to this office circular No. Pen.Co-ordn./55Vol.VI/142 Vol.III/65 Vol.IV/66 Vol.III/08 dated 12/04/2017, it is stated that Government of India, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions, Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare under their O.M. No F 42/15/2016-P&PW(G) dated 28/09/2017 (copy enclosed) have sanctioned Dearness Relief at the rate of 5% with effect from **01/07/2017** in supersession of the rate mentioned in O.M. No F 42/15/2016-P&PW(G) dated 07/04/2017 to (i) Civilian Central Government Pensioners/family pensioners (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 and (v) Pensioners who are in receipt of provisional pension.

2. This circular will also be applicable to the following categories of pensioners –

(a) Burma Civilian pensioners / family pensioners in whose respect the Government of India in their Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pension, Department of Pension and Pensioners Welfare O.M No. 23/3/2008-P&PW(B) dated 11/09/2017 has enhanced the ad-hoc ex-gratia allowance together with original component of Burma pension to Rs. 9000/- pm (Rupees Nine Thousand only) with effect from 01/01/2016 from the existing rate of Rs. 3500/- pm and also allowed dearness relief at a prescribed rate, on such amount, as has been announced for the Central Government pensioners / family Pensioners from time to time under 7<sup>th</sup> Central Pay Commission with effect from 01/01/2016. A separate circular in this regard has already been issued by this office under No. Pen. Co-ordn./142 Vol.III/336/141 dated 07/11/2017.

(b) Pensioners/families of displaced Government pensioners from Pakistan, who are Indian National but receiving pension on behalf of Government of Pakistan and are in receipt of ad-hoc ex-gratia allowance in respect of whom the benefits



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mentioned in paragraph (a) above have been allowed with effect from 01/01/2016 by the Government of India under O.M. dated 11/09/2017

3. This circular will not be applicable to
  - (a) CPF beneficiaries, their widow and eligible children who are in receipt of ex-gratia 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.
4. The retired officers of West Bengal Judicial Service and family pensioners of such category whose pension/family pension has been regulated /revised in terms of Judicial Department Memo No 7012 – J and 7014 – J both dated 25/10/2010 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.
5. 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.
6. Payment of Dearness Relief involving a fraction of a rupee shall be rounded off to the next higher rupee.
7. 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 @ 5% to the above eligible categories of pensioners/ family pensioners with effect from 01/07/2017, along with arrear of dearness relief, as applicable, after proper adjustment.
9. 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

Encl : As stated

  
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26. Branch Officer-in-charge of Admn. Hindi Cell with the request to translate the circular in Hindi.



F. No. 42/15/2016-P&PW(G)  
Government of India  
Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions  
Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare

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Date: 28th Sept, 2017

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject : Grant of Dearness Relief to Central Government pensioners/family pensioners – Revised rate effective from 1.7.2017.**

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Department's OM No. 42/15/2016-P&PW(G) dated 07.04.2017 on the subject mentioned above and to state that the President is pleased to decide that the Dearness Relief admissible to Central Government pensioners/family pensioners shall be enhanced from the existing rate of 4% to 5% w.e.f 01.07.2017.

2. These rates of DR will be applicable to (i) Civilian Central Government Pensioners/Family Pensioners including Central Govt. absorbee pensioners in PSU/Autonomous Bodies in respect of whom orders have been issued vide this Department's OM No. 4/34/2002-P&PW(D) Vol.II dated 23.06.2017 for restoration of full pension after expiry of commutation period of 15 years (ii) The Armed Forces Pensioners, Civilian Pensioners paid out of the Defence Service Estimates, (iii) All India Service Pensioners (iv) Railway Pensioners/family pensioners (v) Pensioners who are in receipt of provisional pension (vi) The Burma Civilian pensioners/family pensioners and pensioners/families of displaced Government Pensioners from Pakistan, who are Indian Nationals but receiving pension on behalf of Government of Pakistan and are in receipt of adhoc ex-gratia allowance in respect of whom orders have been issued vide this Department's OM No. 23/3/2008-P&PW(B) dated 11.09.2017.

3. In partial modification of this Department OM's of even no. dated 16.12.2016 and 27.04.2017, Central Govt. absorbee pensioners in PSU/Autonomous Bodies referred to in category (i) in para 2 and Burma Civilian pensioners/family pensioners referred to in category (vi) in para 2 above, will also be eligible for dearness relief @ 2% w.e.f 01.07.2016 and @ 4% w.e.f 01.01.2017, in terms of this Department OM's of even no dated 16.11.2016 and 07.04.2017 respectively.

The dearness relief already drawn by the above pensioners in terms of OM's dated 16.11.2016 and 27.4.2017, will be adjusted from the revised dearness relief payable under these orders.

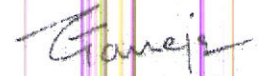
4. These orders shall not be applicable on CPF beneficiaries, their widows and eligible children who are in receipt of ex-gratia payment in terms of this Department's OM No.45/52/97-P&PW(E) dated 16.12.1997 and revised vide this Department's OM 1/10/2012-P&PW(E) dtd 27.06.2013.

Separate orders will be issued in respect of above category.

5. Payment of DR involving a fraction of a rupee shall be rounded off to the next higher rupee.

6. Other provisions governing grant of DR in respect of employed family pensioners and re-employed Central Government Pensioners will be regulated in accordance with the provisions contained in this Department's OM No. 45/73/97-P&PW (G) dated 2.7.1999 as amended vide this Department's OM No. F.No. 38/88/2008-P&PW(G) dated 9<sup>th</sup> July, 2009. The provisions relating to regulation of DR where a pensioner is in receipt of more than one pension will remain unchanged.

7. In the case of retired Judges of the Supreme Court and High Courts, necessary orders will be issued by the Department of Justice separately.
8. It will be the responsibility of the pension disbursing authorities, including the nationalized banks, etc. to calculate the quantum of DR payable in each individual case.
9. The offices of Accountant General and authorised Pension Disbursing Banks are requested to arrange payment of relief to pensioners etc. on the basis of these instructions without waiting for any further instructions from the Comptroller and Auditor General of India and the Reserve Bank of India in view of letter No. 528-TA, II/34-80-II dated 23/04/1981 of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India addressed to all Accountant Generals and Reserve Bank of India Circular No. GANB No. 2958/GA-64 (ii) (CGL)/81 dated the 21<sup>st</sup> May, 1981 addressed to State Bank of India and its subsidiaries and all Nationalised Banks.
10. In their application to the pensioners/family pensioners belonging to Indian Audit and Accounts Department, these orders issue after consultation with the C&AG.
11. This issues in accordance with Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure's OM No. 1/9/2017-E.II(B) dated 20th Sept, 2017.
12. Hindi version will follow.



(Charanjit Taneja)

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Please visit this Department's website <http://pensionersportal.gov.in> for the orders on pension matters including above orders.

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