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Circular No. Pen.Co-ordn./55 Vol.VII/142 Vol.III/65 Vol.VI/66 Vol-IV/77

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Subject:-

Grant of revised rate of Dearness Relief @ 58% to Central Government Pensioners / Family Pensioners etc. effective from 01/07/2025

In continuation to this office circular No. Pen. Co-ordn./55 Vol.VII/142 Vol.III/65 Vol.V/ 66 Vol.IV/14 dated 17/04/2025, 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 08/10/2025 have sanctioned Dearness Relief at the rate of 58% with effect from 01/07/2025 in supersession of the rate mentioned in O.M. No 42/02/2024-P&PW(D) dated 11/04/2025 to Civilian Central Government 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.

2. 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.

3. 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.

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- 4. 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).
- 5. Amount of Dearness Relief involving a fraction of a rupee shall be rounded off to the next higher rupee.
- 6. 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.
- 7. All concerned Pension Disbursing Officers are, therefore, requested to make necessary arrangement for payment of Dearness Relief @ 58% to the above eligible categories of pensioners/ family pensioners with effect from 01/07/2025, along with arrear of dearness relief following the above guideline, as applicable, after proper adjustment.
- 8. 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.
- Receipt of the circular may please be acknowledged.

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