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"PENSIONERS' DAY"- A DAY TO THANK THE JUDICIARY

Pensioners, all over India observe "Pensioners' Day" in the month of December, every year. It is necessary that every Pensioner understands its significance.

2. Present day Pensioners may not be aware that till late seventies, there was nothing like revision of pension, when once it is fixed and authorised at the time of retirement. The First, Second and Third Central Pay Commissions had not even discussed this aspect in their reports as they were not required to do so as per the Terms of Reference handed to them by the Government,

3. It is the famous judgment of the Supreme Court of India (Called-"Nakra Judgment") which changed the life of Pensioners. The Five Member Bench presided over by Hon'ble Justice Sri.Y.V.Chandrachud heard Writ Petition No: 5939-41/1980 filed under Article

B. Sadashiva Rao, Former President, KP&TPA and
Former Chairman, CCCGPA, Karnataka

32 of the Constitution by (late) Sri. D.S.Nakra, a civil servant who retired on superannuation as Financial Advisor in the Ministry of Defence, Rear Admiral (late) Sri. Satyendra Singh, who retired from the Armed Forces and "Common Cause", a Society registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1960 and delivered a brilliant decision, which put the Pensioners on a different pedestal - a more dignified and respectful position. In fact, this judgment has found an entry in the *Guinness Book of World Records!*

4. Some of the important observations contained in the Nakra Judgment are reproduced below for the information of our brother Pensioners:-

i) Para-22: "In the course of transformation of Society from feudal to Welfare and as socialistic thinking acquired respectability, State obligation to provide security in old age, an escape from undeserved want, was recognised and as a first step, pension was treated not only as a reward for past service but with a view to helping the employee to avoid destitution in old age. The *quid pro quo* was that when the employee was physically and mentally alert, he rendered unto master the best, expecting him to look after him in the fall of life. A retirement system therefore exists solely for the purpose of providing benefits....."

ii) Para-26: ".....A pension scheme, consistent with available resources, must provide that the Pensioner would be able to live:

(I) Free from want and with decency, independence and self respect,

(II) At a standard equivalent at the pre-retirement level....."

iii) Para-31: "From the discussion three things emerge: (i) that pension is neither a bounty nor a matter of grace depending upon the sweet will of the employer and that it creates a vested right subject to 1972 Rules which are statutory in character because they are enacted in exercise of powers conferred by the proviso to Art.309 and clause (5) of Art. 148 of the Constitution; (ii) that the pension is not an ex-gratia payment but it is a payment for the past service rendered; and (iii) it is a social welfare measure rendering socio economic justice to those who in the heyday of their life ceaselessly toiled for the Employer on an assurance that in their old age they would not be left in the lurch....."

iv) Para-39: ".....Those who rendered the same service earned less pension and are exposed to the vagary of rising prices consequent upon the inflationary inputs. If,

therefore, those who are to retire subsequent to the specified date would feel the pangs in their old age, of lack of adequate security, by what stretch of imagination the same can be denied to those who retired earlier with lower emoluments and yet are exposed to the vagaries of the rising prices and the falling purchasing power of the rupee. And the greater misfortune is that they are becoming older compared to those who would be retiring subsequent to the specified date....."

5. Coming back, let me explain, in brief what exactly the claims of the petitioners were. Government of India had issued two orders - 1) on 25-5-1979- in the Ministry of Finance and 2) on 28-9-1979 in the Ministry of Defence extending certain benefits under the Liberalised Pension Scheme to 1) Government servants who were in service on 31-3-1979 and retire from service on or after that date and 2) to Armed Forces Personnel who become non-effective on or after 1-4-1979. Both Sri D.S. Nakra and Sri Satyendra Singh did not get the benefit of the liberalised Pension Scheme as they had retired under II CPC in 1972. In the circumstances, they had contended in the Petition that "If the pension is paid for past satisfactory service rendered and to avoid destitution in old age as well as a social welfare or Socio-economic justice measure, the differential treatment for those retiring prior to a certain date and those retiring subsequently, the choice of the date being wholly arbitrary, would be according different treatment to Pensioners who form a class, irrespective of the date of retirement and, therefore would be violative of Art. 14. They also contended that classification based on fortuitous circumstances of retirement before or subsequent to a date, fixing of which is not shown to be related to any rational principle would be equally violative of Art.14.

6. Holding the stipulations in the Government Orders as unconstitutional, the Apex Court declared that all Pensioners governed by the

1972 Rules and Army Pension Regulations shall be entitled to pension as computed under the Liberalised Pension Scheme from the specified date, irrespective of the date of retirement and that arrears of pensions prior to the specified date as per fresh computation is not admissible.

7. After delivery of this judgment (i.e. 17-12-1982) the IV Central Pay Commission was constituted in July, 1983 and the Government of India, for the first time issued a Supplementary Terms of Reference "including therein the case of past Pensioners. The IV CPC, in its report hailed the Nakra Judgment as the "Law of the Land"-i.e. pension to be treated as property and all Pensioners, irrespective of their date of retirement to be treated as a homogeneous group for the purpose of pension including relief. For the first time, basic pension fixed at the time of retirement was consolidated giving fitment weightage (Additional Relief) on par with serving employees. Pensioners got Dearness Relief at the same rates as admissible to employees calculated on slab formula fixed at 50% of slabs for serving employees. Calculation of Pension/Family Pension based on slab system was recommended to be discontinued and pension @ 50% of Average Emoluments and Family Pension @ 30% of basic pay drawn at the time of retirement was recommended. For the first time a minimum of Rs. 300/- was recommended for grant of Family Pension.

8. Soon thereafter, Sri Rajeev Gandhi who took over as Prime Minister of India (1984-'89) improved the lot of those, who were past 60 years. He gave them a dignified designation as "Senior Citizens" for the purpose of extending Government benefits. A separate Department as "Department of Pension and Pensioners' welfare" was constituted to look after the welfare of Pensioners. The SCOVA was constituted to facilitate periodical meetings with representatives of Pensioners' Assns."Pension Adalath" was ordered to be held at various

levels to hear and redress Pensioners' grievances. Central Administrative Tribunals (CATs) were established to hasten settlement of disputes pertaining to service matters of Government employees/Pensioners.

9. Successive Central Pay Commissions headed by Judicial Luminaries were also influenced by the Nakra judgment and a liberalized out look was followed towards demands of Pensioners as could be seen from the following liberalizations in pension matters recommended by them.

i) 5th CENTRAL PAY COMMISSION
(Headed by Justice Pandyan)

1) The principle of 'Complete Parity' and 'Modified Parity' in pension fixation, 2) Full compensation for price rise @ 100% DR, 3) Introduction of the concept of 'Interim Relief', 4) Introduction of Fixed Medical Allowance, 5) Full DA to count for Gratuities, 6) Percentage of Commutation of pension raised to 40% instead of 33 1/3%, 7) Age of superannuation raised to 60 years from 58 years, 8) Employed Family Pensioners and reemployed Pensioners to get DR, 9) Family Pension to be uniformly @ 30% of last Pay drawn instead of on slab system, 10) Dearness Pay @ 50% to count for 'Emoluments' and 11) Merger of 97% of DA in pay for gratuity purpose for those Pensioners who retired between 1. 7. 93 and 31. 3. 95. (given effect to from 1-4-1995)

ii) 6th CENTRAL PAY COMMISSION (Headed by Justice Sri Krishna)

1) Last Pay drawn or Average Emoluments whichever is more beneficial to count as 'Emoluments' for computation of pension 2) Age related Additional Pension introduced, 3) Enhanced Family Pension for 10 years when the Govt. servant dies in harness and 4) Full pension for 20 years of service instead of 33 years.

10. Judiciary, at various levels began quoting extensively the law laid down in Nakra Judgment for deciding cases of Pensioners. The following are important cases decided in favour of Pensioners by the Supreme Court after the Nakra Judgment:

- i) WP: 5870-93/81: Ponnammal & Another – Vs - U.O.I - Justice D.S. Desai and Justice Ranganath Misra(Date of judgment: 30-4-1985) Family Pension under the Family Pension Scheme, 1964 was made admissible to all those who retired prior to 1-1-1964 also.
- ii) WP: 3958/61/83: Common Cause & Ors.– Vs UoI - Justice P.N. Bhagavati & Justice Ranganath Mishra. (Date of Judgment: 9-12-1986) - Restoration of Commuted portion of pension with effect from 1.4.1985 or after 15 years of retirement, whichever is later.
- iii) WP:11855/95 : P.Sundararajan & Welfare Assn. of Absorbed employees of Public Sector Enterprises – Vs - U.o.I. Justice Kuldeep Singh, Justice K. Venkataswamy and Justice S. Rajendra Babu: Restoration of 1/3rd commuted portion of pension from the date of commutation or 1.4.1985, whichever is later of PSU Absorbee with consequential benefit of Family Pension.

And the recent judgments are:

- iv) OA: 655/2010 in CAT, Principal Bench, Delhi-Central Govt.SAG(S-29) Pensioners' Assn. – Vs - U.o.I read with WP: 1535/2012 in Delhi High Court and SLP(C) 23055/13 in Supreme Court of India – Date of judgement: 1-11-2011 Extension of the benefit of Modified Parity (- as defined originally in the DoP&PW Resolution dated 29-8-2008). As all the Writ Petitions/ Special Leave Petitions filed by the Government in Delhi High Court/ Supreme Court were dismissed, the Govt. issued an order on 30.07 2015 to the effect that the Pension/ Family pension of all pre 2006 Pensioners/

Family Pensioners may be revised in accordance with the order dated 28.1.2013 of DOP&PW WITH EFFECT FROM 1.1.2006 INSTEAD OF FROM 24.9.2012.

- v) OA:937/2010 with OA:2101/2010 in CAT Delhi. All India S30 Pensioners' Assn. Order dated 20.11.2014 as modified in RA.10/2015 dated 24.9.2015. The Tribunal has heavily relied upon the Nakra Judgment and passed Order to the effect that the Government (i.e Respondents) should consider the revised pay of the Applicants corresponding to the pay at which the concerned Pensioner had, in fact retired instead of considering the minimum of the said pay scale to determine the pension of pre 2006 retirees, adding in the order dated 24.9.2015 that the basic pension of pre 2006 retirees in grade S 30 should be fixed such that it is not less than Rs.38,500
- vi) Restoration of 2/3rd commuted portion of pension of PSU absorbees who had drawn a lump sum payment equivalent to 100% of their pension on their absorption in CPSUs. Union of India and another- Vs-(late) K.Ganesan in Civil Appeals Nos. 6048 of 2010 and 6371 of 2010 decided by the Supreme Court of India on 1-9-2016. The Appeal of the Union of India was dismissed and the judgment of Madras High court in WPNo. 22207 of 2002 was upheld. Though the case has thus attained legal finality, the Government of India is yet to issue an Order for implementation of the Madras High court judgment.

11. It could thus be seen that Pensioners, who were totally ignored by the Government in the past, secured justice from the Judiciary for improving their lot and therefore, it is but natural that they feel grateful to the Judiciary. Every year in the month of December, they celebrate "Pensioners' Day" only to thank the Judiciary as the Nakra Judgment was delivered in the month of December.

An APPEAL

Donation to the Building fund of the Association

The Executive Committee of K P&T PA expresses its gratitude to all the Members and Well Wishers who have responded favourably so far to the appeal made by the Association for donation to the building fund. The 3rd list of the Donors is published in this issue of the journal.

K P&T PA earnestly requests other Members who are yet to respond to donate liberally to the building fund to facilitate commencement of the construction work of the proposed annex to Pensioners' Bhavan. **Subscribers** to the Association's Journal *Pensioners' Champion* are also requested to donate.



Donation can be made in instalments also. Progressive total of donations made in instalments will be indicated in the list as and when donations are received

Names of those who donate Rs. 25,000/- and above will be engraved on granite stone to be embedded in the front wall near the main door of the new building and of those who donate Rs. 10000 /- and above but less than Rs.25000/-, on the boards provided in the main hall

We request the Members who have donated less than Rs. 2000/- please to ensure payment of an additional amount to raise their donation to a minimum of Rs.2000/-

Our special appeal to Pensioners who got arrears consequent to delinking of 33 years of service for full pension with retrospective effect from 1-1- 2006 : **Please donate liberally.**

Apart from the appeal in the journal, we have also sent SMSes to some of our Members urging them to donate to the building fund. We also intend writing personal letters to our Members& Subscribers

Income Tax exemption: In computation of the taxable income, 50% of the amount of donation made to K P&TPA, is eligible for deduction in the Gross total Income of an Individual under Section 80-G of Income Tax ACT.

Donation to be remitted by ***crossed CTS cheque only*** payable to "**Karnataka P&T Pensioners' Association**".

Cheques may please be sent to:
Sri K.R.Anantha Ramu, Treasurer K P&T PA,
No 1158, 7th Main, 7th Block,
HMT Layout, Vidyanarayapura, Bangalore-560097.
(Ph: 080 23642466 Mob: 9448477129)

**Life
Certificate**

**Letter received from the Chief Postmaster General, Karnataka,
is reproduced for information of Postal Pensioners**

Provision of life certificates

A copy of the D.O. letter No. 12-12(1)/2015-Comp D-578 dated 30.9.2016 addressed to the CPMG by name, received from Postal Directorate is enclosed for taking necessary action. Under the Pension Rules all Pensioners are to provide Life Certificates to the Authorized Pension Disbursing Agencies like Banks, Post Offices etc., Earlier in order to get the Life Certificated the Pensioner was required to either personally present before the Pension Disbursing Agency or have the Life Certificate issued by Authority where he/she has served and have it delivered to the Disbursing Agency. This had often become a major hurdle in the process of seamless transfer of pension amount to the Pensioner and caused a lot of hardship and unnecessary inconveniences particulars for the aged and infirm Pensioners.

Digital Life Certificate now streamlines the process of getting Life Certificate by making it hassle free and easy and also it cuts down the requirement of physical appearance of the Pensioner in front of the Disbursing Agency or the certification authority. For successful completion of acceptance of Digital Life Certificate, Aadhaar details are required to be updated in

Pensioner's Account details in PAIS (Pension Accounting and Information software).

For seeding of Aadhaar details in PAIS, NIC has provided login ID and pass word to all the HPOs. The progress of seeding Aadhaar Numbers is not very encouraging. DoPW has issued an advisory to the Department to complete 100% seeding of Aadhaar number. Hence it is requested to direct the HPOs to obtain Aadhaar details from the Pensioners and complete Aadhaar seeding by 31.10.2016.

In addition to this references were made to sensitize the Pensioners to register for Digital Life Certificate however only 30% Pensioners have registered so far. HPOs may launch a drive to educate the Pensioners for opting Digital Life Certificate in place of physical life certificate by highlighting benefits and also HPOs are required to accept/reject Pensioners' life certificate who have registered for Digital Life Certificate on Jeevan Pramaan Portal. It is therefore requested to issue suitable instructions to all the concerned offices to take action on the above points on priority, Weekly progress report in this regard be sent to this office without causing any delay in order to enable this office to send the report to the Postal Directorate.

Pensioners' Day – 2016

In Association with the Coordination Committee of Central Government Pensioners' Associations, Karnataka , Pensioners' Day will be celebrated on 20th December 2016 at 10.00 a.m. at Udayabhanu Kala Sangha, Choultry Road, Ramakrishna Matt Layout, Kempegowdanagar, Gavipuram, Bengaluru-560 019.

Sri. K.K.N. Kutty, Secretary General, National Coordination Committee of Central Government Pensioners' Associations, President, Confederation of CG Employees & Workers, New Delhi and Member Standing Committee, Staff Side, National Council, JCM will be the Chief Guest.

Free Eye-Check up Camp in Association with Agarwal Eye Hospitals has been arranged at the venue of the meeting.

Members of K P&T PA are requested to make use of the Eye Check-up camp and participate in "Pensioners' Day" celebrations also.

Members desirous of attending the meeting may please give their names to Sri V.Gopal, Joint Secretary, KP&TPA on his mobile 8197918085 **before 10-12-2016.**

**D.R.
Order**

Grant of Dearness Relief to Central Government pensioners/family pensioners - Revised rate effective from 1.7.2016 on implementation of decision taken on recommendation of 7th Central Pay Commission.

*Gol, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare
O.M.No. F.No. 42/15/2016-P&PW(G) dated 16th, Nov. 2016.*

The undersigned is directed to say that subsequent to implementation of the decision taken by the Government on the recommendation of the 7th Central Pay Commission, the President is pleased to decide that the Dearness Relief admissible to Central Government Pensioners/Family Pensioners shall be as follows:

Date from which payable	Rate of Dearness Relief per month
From 1.1.2016	No Dearness Relief
From 1.7.2016	2% of Basic Pension/Family Pension

Note:- Dearness Relief at the rates indicated in the above table will also be admissible on the additional basic pension/additional family pension available to older Pensioners/Family pensioners based on their age as indicated in this Department's OMs 38/37/2016-P&PW(A) (i) dated 4.8.2016 and 38/37/2016-P&PW(A) (ii) dated 4.8.2016.

2. These Orders apply 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 (iv) Railway Pensioners/family pensioners.

3. These orders will not be applicable on following categories:-

(i) 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.

(ii) Central Government Employees who had drawn lum sum amount on absorption in a PSU/ Autonomous body and are in receipt of 1/3rd restored commuted portion of pension.

(iii) Pensioners who are in receipt of provisional pension in the pre-2016 pay scales/pay

(iv) 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) dated 27.6.2013.

Separate Orders will be issued in respect of the above categories.

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

5. 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 9th July, 2009. The provisions relating to regulation of DR where a Pensioner is in receipt of more than one pension will remain unchanged.

6. In the case of retired Judges of the Supreme Court and High Courts, necessary Orders will be issued by the Department of Justice separately.

7. 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.

8. 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 addressed to all Accountant Generals and Reserve Bank of India Circular No. GANB No. 2958/GA-64 (ii) (CGL)/81 dated the 21st May, 1981 addressed to State Bank of India and its subsidiaries and all Nationalised Banks.

9. In their application to the Pensioners/Family Pensioners belonging to Indian Audit and Accounts Department, these Orders issue after consultation with the C&AG.

10. This issues in pursuance of instructions of Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure vide their OM No. 1.2.2016-E II (B) dated 4th Nov. 2016.

**COORDINATION COMMITTEE OF
CENTRAL GOVERNMENT PENSIONERS' ASSOCIATIONS, KARNATAKA (R)**

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**7th CPC benefits to Pensioners of Autonomous bodies
CCCGPA writes to the Prime Minister**

No. CCCGPA/AB/2016 dated at Bangalore the 16th November, 2016

To
Shri Narendra Modi ji,
Hon'ble Prime Minister
South Block, New Delhi

Respected Sir,

Subject: Inordinate delay in implementation of the recommendations of 7th Central Pay Commission in respect of Pensioners of Statutory & Autonomous bodies

The Coordination Committee of Central Government Pensioners' Associations, Karnataka would like to bring to your kind notice the following few lines, seeking your kind intervention in the matter for immediate resolution of the grievance of Pensioners of Statutory/ Autonomous bodies.

Government of India, vide its resolution dated August 2016, accepted the recommendations of the 7th Central Pay Commission on pensionery benefits and all the Central Govt. Civil Pensioners have been granted the benefits of revised pension with retrospective effect from 1-1-2016 and the arrears of pension due was also paid to them on 31-8-2016 along with their revised pension for the month of August 2016.

2. But, the Pensioners of Statutory & Autonomous bodies like Coffee Board, Rubber Board, Tea Board, Spices Board and Tobacco Board (under the Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry) Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (under the Ministry of HRD), Khadi & Village Industries Commission (under the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises) Central Silk Board (under the

Ministry of Textiles) and National Council of Science Museum (under the Ministry of Culture), whose pensionery benefits also are regulated under the Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules, 1972 on par with Central Government Civil Pensioners and who have been eagerly waiting for implementation of the pensionery benefits to them simultaneously with Central Civil Pensioners, have been disappointed by the inordinate delay in extension of 7th CPC benefits even after 3 months from its implementation to other Central Pensioners.

3. This issue was raised by the Staff Side in the Standing Committee Meeting of the Joint Consultative Machinery (JCM), National Council, held on 25/10/2016. The Official side, reportedly, informed the Staff side that an overall review regarding the performance and financial viability etc. of each of the Autonomous bodies is being carried out by the Government and only after completion of the process of the review, a decision regarding extension of 7th CPC revised pensionary benefits to the Pensioners of Statutory and Autonomous bodies will be taken.

4. The above said information came as 'bolt from the blue' to the Pensioners of Statutory and Autonomous bodies who were already worried about the delay in extension of 7th CPC benefits to them and they are now disheartened by this sudden development in their retired life.

5. All the above mentioned Statutory and Autonomous bodies were formed by the Central Government by an Act of Parliament and they have been following the Central Civil Services Pay and Pension Rules. Recommendations of all the previous Central Pay Commissions on revision of Pay & Pension were extended to them simultaneously with the Central Civil Services Employees and Pensioners. But, now the benefits due to them in terms of the recommendations of the 7th CPC have not yet been given to them even after 3 months from the date of acceptance of the Pay Commission's report by the Government.

6. The Coordination Committee of Central Government Pensioners' Associations, Karnataka, to which some of the Pensioners' Associations of Statutory and Autonomous bodies are affiliated, is of the firm view that imposing the condition of "review of Financial Viability" of the Autonomous bodies at this stage, before extension of 7th CPC benefits to the Pensioners of those Bodies, is preposterous and tends to create fear and doubt in the minds of those Pensioners about the fruits of the Pay Commission being denied to them and therefore, immediate action needs to be taken to allay their fears.

7. We earnestly request the Hon'ble Prime Minister kindly to intervene in the matter and to order that the question of "Review of Financial Viability" of Statutory & Autonomous bodies should not be linked, at this stage, with the implementation of the recommendations of 7th CPC to the Pensioners, since such a move on the part of the Government will result in further delay in granting the Pensioners of their rightful monetary/pensionary benefits and will definitely

cause frustration among them, most of whom are in the evening of their lives yearning for betterment of their finances for a peaceful retired life.

8. We, therefore, strongly urge that immediate action may kindly be caused to be taken to extend the recommendations of 7th CPC to all Pensioners of Statutory and Autonomous bodies **pending review of the performance and financial viability of such Autonomous bodies.**

Thanking you Sir,

K.B.Krishna Rao
Chairman

Yours faithfully
S.Radhakrishna
General Secretary

Copy to:

1. Shri Shiva Gopal Mishra,
Secretary (Staff Side),
National Council (JCM) New Delhi

With a request to pursue the matter with the government at JCM level to cause immediate implementation of 7th CPC recommendations to Pensioners of Statutory and Autonomous bodies and to urge the Govt to extend 7th CPC pensionary benefits without waiting for the result of the review of the financial viability or performance of the Autonomous bodies being made by the Govt and to not to link such review with the implementation of 7th CPC recommendations.

2. Shri K K N Kutty,
Secretary General,
NCCPA, New Delhi

With a request to pursue the matter at the Coordination Committee level.

3. Shri M.Krishnan
Secretary General,
Confederation of Central Govt Employees
and Workers, New Delhi

With a request to pursue the matter at the Confederation level.

CGHS

CHGS Facility to BSF retirees

No. Z.15025/84/2007 - CGHS III dated 15.6.2011

To

Dr. Umesh Tiwari
Commandant (Medical), Directorate General Border Security Force
Medical Directorate, Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India
East Block - 9, Level - 4, R.K. Puram, New Delhi - 110 066

Clarification regarding CGHS Facilities at Bangalore

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your Letter No. 13/D-BSF/Wel-Ex Pers./2011/6820-21 dated 9.6.2011 on the subject mentioned above and to inform you that **BSF retirees are entitled for CGHS benefits.**

Medical Allowance

Crediting of enhanced Medical Allowance to the pensioners account by Banks.

O.M.No. CPAO/IT&Tech/Clarification/2016-17/13.Vol-VI/160 dated 26.10.2016.

During the workshop for banks on monitoring the Pensioners grievances through "Web Responsive Pensioners' Service" organised on 3.10.2016 a query was made on requirement of Special Seal Authority for crediting Medical Allowance at the enhanced rate based on Orders issued by DP&PW from time to time. In this context, attention is invited to para 4.5.2 (copy of the extract attached) of Accounting and Operating Procedure for Central Pension Processing Centre of Authorised Banks for Pension Disbursement to Central Government (Civil) Pensioners issued in Feb, 2012 wherein it has been provided that CPPC

should have direct access to the website of the Department of Pensions & Pensioners Welfare and Ministry of Home Affairs, so that these are regularly browsed and Orders on Dearness Relief issued by various Departments are acted upon immediately.

CPPCs of all the banks are advised to follow the same instructions for revising the Medical Allowance of the Pensioners already drawing the same as and when the rate of Medical Allowance is enhanced by DP&PW without requiring for any Special Seal Authority from CPAO.

Bharat Pensioners Samaj , New Delhi

Held its Annual General Body meeting on 13-11-2016 in New Delhi.

Sri V .Murugan, Executive Committee Member, Karnataka P&T Pensioners' Association, Bengaluru attended the AGB. The Annual event, well attended, was conducted in an organised manner under the stewardship of Er.S C Maheshwari, Secretary General, BPS. Useful discussions on several issues concerning Pensioners were held and resolutions passed in the AGB.

Sri T V Suryaprakash, Joint General Secretary, CCCGPA, Karnataka and Secretary, Coffee Board Pensioner' Association was unanimously elected as "Secretary -Autonomous Bodies, Bharat Pensioners' Samaj". We congratulate Sri Suryaprakash on his election and hope that he will continue to strive with more strength and vigour for the cause of Pensioners' of Statutory & Autonomous bodies in particular and Central Govt. Pensioners in general

K.B.Krishna Rao, Secretary, KP&TPA, Bengaluru

PENSIONERS' CHAMPION

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NOVEMBER 2016

**Pension
Disbursement
on 30.11.2016**

**K P&TPA urges CPMG, Karnataka to instruct Post offices to ensure
hassle free disbursement of pension on 30-11-2016 & 31-12-2016**

Extract of the letter

No. KPTPA/Pen/2016 dated 18-11-2016

To

The Chief Postmaster General,
Karnataka Circle, Palace Road,
Bangalore-560001

Respected Madam,

**Subject: Disbursement of pension through Post Office Savings Bank to P&T
Pensioners on 30-11-2016 & 31-12-2016**

Reference: CPMG, Bangalore letter No. CPT/BGW/15 dated 30-3-2015

We wish to invite your kind reference to the letter from CPMG, Karnataka cited above, wherein all Head Post Offices were instructed to open special /additional counters on the last working day of the month for disbursement of pension to P&T Pensioners and that special attention should be given to disburse pension on time.

The above said instructions were issued in response to our request vide our letter dated 23-3-2015, in which we had brought to the notice of the CPMG the difficulties faced by P&T Pensioners in getting their pension on the last working day of the month due to non opening of "special counters" in some post offices for disbursement of pension on the pension disbursement day, which forced them to stand in long queues before the SB counters to get their pension. Pensioners in their advanced age 80 +, who could not withstand the strain caused due to waiting in long queues for hours on suffered a lot as they had to jostle with others standing in the general queue.

Some Members of our Association have informed us that despite the above stated instructions, special counters are not opened

on pension disbursement days in some post offices and they are forced to stand in the general queues to get their pension.

We, therefore, urge that the instructions on opening of special/additional counters for disbursement of pension on the last working day of the month may kindly be caused to be reiterated for strict compliance especially in view of the present situation prevailing in almost all the Post Offices in the Circle where long queues of general public are being seen for exchange of demonetised currency notes. It is requested that instructions may also be caused to be issued to all post offices to ensure hassle free disbursement of pension to P&T Pensioners, especially on 30-11-2016 & 31-12-2016 in view of expected heavy rush at the PO Counters on those dates and also to keep adequate stock of lower denominations of currency notes at the pension disbursing counters so as to accommodate the requests of Pensioners.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully
(K.B.Krishna Rao)
Secreraty, KP&TPA

Central Government Holidays in December 2016.

1. Milad-Un-Nabi: 13th December Tuesday
2. Christmas Day: 25th December Sunday

Extension of time limit for submission of "Life Certificate"

Press Information Bureau Government of India, Ministry of Finance, dated 14th November, 2016

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The Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi reviewed the supply and availability of currency notes yesterday late evening 13.11.2016. The meeting went on till past midnight. It was attended among others by the Union Minister of Home. Shri Rajnath Singh, the Union Minister for Finance and Corporate Affairs, Shri Arun Jaitley, Union Development and I&B Minister, Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu, MoS (Independent Charge) for Coal & Power, Shri Piyush Goyal and MoS (Finance). Shri Santosh Kumar Gangwar. It was also attended by the Governor and Deputy Governor of Reserve Bank of India, all Secretaries of the Ministry of Finance and senior officials from the PMO.

The Meeting took stock of the current status of supply of cash and took certain decisions to further activate the dispensing of cash through the networks of Banking Correspondents, Post

Offices, ATMs, Banks and E-payment systems. Following decisions were also taken keeping in view the convenience of the public.

Postal Network:

There are about 1.3 lakh Branch Post Offices in the country. It has been decided to enhance the supply of cash to Branch Post Offices to facilitate cash withdrawals from Postal Accounts.

It may be noted that with 1.2 lakh BCs and 1.3 lakh branch Post Offices getting further activated, a total number of 2.5 lakh points in rural areas will be available to disburse cash and facilitate cash withdrawals from Bank Accounts.

Arrangements for public convenience:

Banks have been advised to arrange separate queues in their branches for senior citizens and divyang persons customers for transactions against accounts held with the Bank, and exchange of notes. There will, therefore be, three or more separate queues in every branch.

Pensioners are required to submit Annual Life Certificate during the month of November. This time limit has been extended up to 15th January, 2017.

Pensioner ID Card

Issue of Pensioners' Identity Card to pensioners

Gol, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions, Department of Pension & Pensioners Welfare, O.M.No. 41/21/2000-P&PW-(D) dated 26th October, 2016.

The undersigned is directed to say that instructions for issue of Identity Card to Pensioners have been issued from time to time. In this Department's OM of even numbers dated 25.7.2013, it was inter alia mentioned that it would not be necessary to have the National Emblem on the Identity Card of Pensioners.

2. The matter has been reconsidered in consultation with the Ministry of Home Affairs keeping in view the provisions of State Emblem of India (Regulation of Use) Rule, 2007, Ministry of Home Affairs have indicated that they have no objection to the issue of Identity Card to retired Government personnel/pensioners with State emblem. The instructions/clarifications issued by

this Department's OM in this regard stand modified to this extent.

3. All Ministries/Departments are requested to keep the above in view while issuing Identity Cards to Pensioners who retired from the Central Government Civil Service. This provision will not be applicable in respect of the Pensioners retired from the Autonomous Bodies etc. Such autonomous bodies can, however, use their own logo on the Identity Cards, in accordance with the relevant instructions.

BSNL

IDA From 1-10-2016 120.3 % (increase over July -16 : 5.5 %)

Donation to the Building Fund - 3rd List

SI No.	Name Sri/Smt.	Membership No.	Amount Rs.	Receipt No.	Progressive Total of donation
157	M.S.Krishna Murthy	135	25111	2337/2363	
158	N.M.Ananth	well wisher	25000	2373	
159	B.Basavaiah	928	20100	2299	
160	S.K.Subramanian	87	20000	2290/2291	
161	K.V.Ravi	135	20000	2363	
162	A.K.Raghothamachar	384	15000	2289	
163	B.R.Rao	305	10100	2354	
164	K.Arumugham	1	10000	2317	
165	Smt. M.T. Aley	767	10000	2307	
166	V.Gopal	1644	10000	2348	
167	M.C.Kalkura	1964	10000	2295	
168	A.Malathi Rao	2105	10000	2298	
169	Udupi Dt P&T Pensioners' Assn.		10000	2381	
170	K.V.Lakshminarayana	929	6000	2364	
171	N.G.Joshi	2113	5001	2320	
172	N.Lakshmana	70	5000	2362	
173	Veerabhadraiah	571	5000	2309	
174	R.Vishwanatha Rao	724	5000	2315	
175	A.Kanagamany	920	5000	2327	10000
176	Nagamani.S.Rao	1339	5000	2283	
177	S.Harihara Sarma	1951	5000	2350	
178	Subhadra Jagadish Shenvi	2131	5000	2321	
179	Sheila.P.Tolani	2256	5000	2296	
180	Sunanda.N.Pai	2293	5000	2322	
181	Y.L.N.Chetty	1273	4000	2345	
182	P.N.Jayalakshmi	301	3000	2368	
183	A.M.Karanth	349	3000	2311	
184	K.S.Ramanathan	1805	3000	2216/2353	5000
185	S.Dattatri	2344	3000	2310	
186	K.V.Ravi	1437	2600	2356	
187	C.Ramakrishna Reddy	1683	2500	2293	
188	K.K.Bhajantri	2056	2500	2328	
189	K.Mahananda Reddy	2257	2100	2323	
190	Sadasiva Raju	961	2001	2325	
191	K.M.Sharada	2325	2001	2324	
192	H.N.Subbaramaiah	2337	2001	2369	
193	V.Purushothama Achar	2021	2000	2285	

SI No.	Name Sri/Smt.	Membership No.	Amount Rs.	Receipt No.	Progressive Total of donation
194	N.Rajappa	163	2000	2358	
195	V.S.Burge	542	2000	2357	
196	Krishnabai Krishnamurthy	648	2000	2305	
197	B.S.Subba Rao	756	2000	2313	
198	Shantha Venugopalan	796	2000	2372	
199	H.Thejappa	871	2000	2370	
200	James George	921	2000	2312	
201	K.N.Dwarakanath	949	2000	2349	
202	Paul Pinto	952	2000	2351	
203	C.Narasimhaiah	953	2000	2352	
204	S.Ramesh	968	2000	2287	
205	S.M.Bastikar	1371	2000	2371	
206	Syed Abdul Zahir	1390	2000	2367	
207	C.L.Lingaiah	1428	2000	2333	
208	N.Manjunatha Adiga	1457	2000	2355	
209	A.H.Veeraiah	1461	2000	2326	
210	M.Thamees Deen	1487	2000	2297	
211	G.V.Christopher	1692	2000	2314	
212	G.S.Shetty	1774	2000	2365	
213	T.R.Sundararaja Iyengar	1831	2000	2294	
214	A.N.Desikan	1848	2000	2361	
215	G.Mathiazhagan	1900	2000	2332	
216	S.Venkataramu	1941	2000	2360	
217	V.Murugan	1970	2000	2331	7000
218	M.R.K.Rama Rao	2114	2000	2318	
219	T.R.Shankar Murthy	2155	2000	2316	
220	N.L.Raghava	2294	2000	2319	
221	V.Bhaskar	2082	1500	2347	
222	Pensioners of DOT Bhavnagar		1400	2374	
223	S.K.Venkatesha Murthy	1198	1001	2345	
224	D.G.Puttamadaiah	2139	1001	2380	
225	J.C.Sathyanarayana Swamy	2144	1001	2329	
226	V.R.Subramanian	1400	1000	2330	
227	R.Chennabasavaiah	1512	1000	2346	
228	Harvey Rosario	1865	1000	2379	
229	B.Nagaraja Acharya	2172	1000	2288	
230	P.Sundara Murthy	2202	1000	2149/2359	2000
	N.Gopalakrishna	2223	0	0	2000

Subscription received for Pensioners' Champion in OCTOBER-NOVEMBER 2016.

Rs.120/- Smt./Sri	Rs.120/- Smt./Sri	Rs.240/- Smt./Sri	Rs.360/- Smt./Sri
69 K.S.Ranganatha	2242 V.Jayavantha Rao	1951 S.Harihara Sarma	1787 Leela Nair
335 V.Ramanathan	2323 B.S.Gopalappa	2244 M.N.Hemmigi	2337 H.N.Subbaramaiah
541 Bandigaiah	S-303 K.Jayaram	2336 K.Vishnukanth	2462 H.K.Kenchappa
1121 R.Sampangappa	Rs.150/- Smt./Sri	2370 K.M.Joshi	Rs.500/- Smt./Sri
1299 M.V.Damodara Acharya	S-266 K.Krishnanda Nayak	Rs. 300/- Smt./Sri	796 Shantha Venugopalan
1427 K.Rangaswamy	Rs.170/- Smt./Sri	S-265 C.B.Basappa	1964 M.C.Kalkura
1701 K.Sadarama	2459 B.G.Mehta	Rs.360/- Smt./Sri	Rs. 600/- Smt./Sri
2051 B.H.Gopala Swamy	Rs.240/- Smt./Sri	517 B.S.Gopalakrishna shetty	1775 S.S.Deshpande
2056 K.K.Bhajantri	1046 R.Jayaraman	669 R.Rajagopalan	1390 Syed Abdul zahir
2130 N.Sathyanarayana	1065 V.Shankar		

Newly Enrolled Members

Name (Smt./Sri)	Designation & Office in which last worked	Type & No.
1 V.P. Rajoo	SO II, E/M, Bareilly, UP, Military Engineering Service	LM 2451
2 M.N. Kamble	BCR Sorting Assistant, SRO RMS HB Division, Belgaum	LM 2452
3 A.K. Nagaraj	Senior Assistant Engineer, BSNL General section, Bg.	LM 2453
4 Kulkarni Krishnaji Bindu Rao	BCR Postal Assistant, Solapur Head Post Office	LM 2454
5 K.Balachandran	Office Superintendent, SQAE(L), Bg.	ALM 2455
6 Rajalakshmi Balasubramaniam	Office Superintendent, O/o CGMT, Bg.	LM 2456
7 Md. Khaja Moinuddin	Line Inspector, O/o SDOT Phones, Gulbarga	LM 2457
8 N.K.Reddy	Postmaster Grade I, Bahamanipura SO, Kalburgi	LM 2458
9 B.G.Mehta	Sub Postmaster (HSG I), Jetpur, Gondal Division	LM 2459
10 M.R.Sathyanarayana	Sr.Technical Assistant, LRDE, Bg.	ALM 2460
11 C.K.Rangaswamy	Head sorting Assistant, BG City RMS, Bg.	LM 2461
12 H.K.Kenchappa	LSG Sorting Assistant, Birur RMS, RMS Q Division	LM 2462

LM: Life Member

ALM: Associate Life Member

OBITUARY

Sri R. Srinivasan LM – 1069 former Advisor, Telecom Commission expired on 3-11-2016 at the age of 80 years. He is survived by wife, a son and a daughter

We convey our heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family

ALL INDIA CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

Month	CPI Base 2001=100	12 Months' Total	Monthly Ave.	% increase over 115.76	% increase over 261.42
				6th CPC	7th CPC
June 16	277	3228	269.00	132.38	2.90
Sep 16	277	3270	272.50	135.40	4.24

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Volunteers to work as “Pensioners’ Representatives” in the CGHS Advisory Committees in Wellness Centres and in Polyclinic for the two-year term from January 2017 to December 2018.

The Coordination Committee of Central Government Pensioners’ Associations, Karnataka has addressed its Affiliate Associations connected with CGHS to call for volunteers from among their Members to work as” Pensioners’ Representative” in the Advisory Committees in CGHS Wellness Centres and Polyclinic for the two-year term from January 2017 to December 2018. Applications in this connection from Members of Karnataka P&T Pensioners’ Association are also invited. Members volunteering to work in the post are requested to furnish the under mentioned information in their applications:(1) Name of the volunteer (2) Office from which retired (3) Wellness Centre in which he desires to work (4) Address (5) Landline/mobile phone No. (6) Email ID. The Member should be a Beneficiary of the respective Wellness Centre (except Polyclinic) in which he /she desires to be a Member of the Advisory Committee. The application should reach the Secretary, K P&T P A before 15-12-2016

Legal Matters

1. Grant of upgraded Pay Scales to Income Tax Officers / Income Tax Inspectors w.e.f 1-1-1996

OA 86 /2008 filed by Income Tax Gazetted Officers Association, Mumbai was allowed by CAT Mumbai on 17-1-2012. Writ petition filed by the Government - WP 9649/2012 of High Court of Bombay, listed for hearing on 7-10-2016 Adjourned to 25-5-2017

2. BSNL

Anomaly in fixation of pay of BSNL employees who retired between 1-10-2000 and 31-7-2001 ie. within 10 months of formation of BSNL

O.A.NO.2173/2014 before CAT, Principal Bench, Delhi. listed for hearing on 19-10-2016 adjourned to 16-12-2016

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