



CPAO/IT&Tech/Freedom Fighter /1 (Vol-X)/2016-17/238

23.01.2017

Office Memorandum

Subject:- Enhancement of pension under the Swatantrata Sainik Samman Pension Scheme, 1980 in respect of freedom fighter and their eligible dependents- Clarification on Dearness Allowance-regarding.

Reference is invited to OM No. CPAO/IT&Tech/Freedom Fighter/2016-17/132 dated-08.09.2016 on enhancement of pension under Swatantrata Sainik Samman Pension Scheme, 1980 in respect of freedom fighters and their eligible dependents and FFR Division, Ministry of Home Affairs letter No 45/06/2016-FF(P) dated 28.10.2016 (both copies enclosed) whereby the existing Dearness Relief system based on All India Consumer Price Index for Industrial workers, which was hitherto applied to freedom fighter pensioners on annual basis, was discontinued and replaced by the Dearness Relief system applicable to Central Government employees twice a year.

2. Now, FFR Division, Ministry of Home Affairs has clarified vide its letter No. 45/06/2016-FF (P) dated-09.01.2017 (copy enclosed) that 2% Dearness Allowance w.e.f. 01.07.2016 announced recently for Central Govt. pensioners and employees will not be applicable for the Central Freedom Fighter Pensioners whose pension have been revised/enhanced w.e.f. 15.08.2016 subsequent to the effective date of the 2% Dearness Allowance which is 01.07.2016. However, next Dearness Allowance due from 01.01.2017 and subsequent DAs will be applicable for the Central Freedom Fighter Pensioners.
3. Heads of CPPCs of all the banks are advised to take necessary action as per above instructions.
4. This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.

Encl:- As above (11 Sheets)


(Vijay Singh)

Sr. Accounts Officer (IT & Tech)
Ph. No.011-26166758

To,

1. Heads of CPPCs of all Authorised Banks
2. Heads of GBU/GADs of all Authorised Banks

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1. PPS to CGA, O/o the CGA, Mahalekha Niyantrak Bhawan, E-Block, General Pool Office (GPO) Complex, INA, New Delhi.
2. PPS to Addl. CGA (AL), Mahalekha Niyantrak Bhawan, E-Block, General Pool Office (GPO) Complex, INA, New Delhi.
3. Pr. CCA, MHA, North Block, New Delhi
4. Jt. Secretary, FFR Division, Ministry of Home Affairs, 2nd Floor, NDCC – II Building, Jai Singh Road, New Delhi-w.r.to their No. 45/06/2016-FF (P) dated 09.01.2017.
5. PS to CC (P), CPAO, New Delhi
6. PA to CA, CPAO, New Delhi
7. PA to Dy. CA, CPAO, New Delhi
8. Sr. AO. (Coordination), CPAO, New Delhi


Sr. Accounts Officer (IT & Tech)



CPAO/IT&Tech/Freedom Fighter /2016-17/132

08.09.2016

Office Memorandum

Subject:- Enhancement of pension under the Swatantrata Sainik Samman Pension Scheme, 1980 in respect of freedom fighter and their eligible dependent.

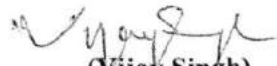
Ministry of Home Affairs vide letter No.45/06/2016-FF (P) dated-17.08.2016 (copy attached) addressed to the Chief Controller of Accounts has communicated the decision to enhance the total amount of monthly pension of freedom fighters and the dependent family pension of spouses (widows/ widowers), eligible daughters and dependent parents of deceased freedom fighters with effect from 15.08.2016. Consequently, the monthly amount of pension of various categories of freedom fighter pensioners will be as below with effect from 15.08.2016:-

Sl. No.	Category of Freedom Fighters	Present amount of pension (per month)	Enhanced amount of pension (per month)
1.	Ex-Andaman Political Prisoners/ spouses	Rs.24,775/-	Rs.30,000/-
2.	Freedom Fighters who suffered outside British India/ spouses	Rs.23,085/-	Rs.28,000/-
3.	Other Freedom Fighters/ spouses including INA	Rs.21,395/-	Rs.26,000/-
4.	Dependent parents/eligible daughters (maximum 3 daughters at any point of time)	Rs.3,380/- (dependent parents) Rs.5,070/- (daughters)	50% of the sum that would have been admissible to the Freedom Fighter i.e. in the range of Rs.13,000/- to 15,000/-

2. Further, the existing Dearness Relief system based on All India Consumer Price Index for Industrial workers, which was hitherto applied to freedom fighter pensioners on annual basis, has been discontinued and replaced by the Dearness Allowance system applicable to Central Government employees twice a year.

3. Accordingly, all CPPCs are advised to credit the enhanced pension to the pensioners account by 15th September, 2016 and make entry of the same in disbursers portion of the individual PPO which are with the CPPCs and arrangements may be made by paying branches for upadation of pensioners portion of PPO.

Encl: As above


(Vijay Singh)
Sr. Accounts Officer (IT & Tech)

To,
Heads of CPPCs & Government Business Division of all authorised Banks.

No. 45/06/2016-FF(P)
Government of India/Bharat Sarkar
Ministry of Home Affairs/Grih Mantralaya

2nd Floor, NDCC-II Building,
Jai Singh Road, New Delhi-110 001,
17th August, 2016.

To,
The Chief Controller of Accounts,
Ministry of Home Affairs,
North Block,
New Delhi-110 001.

Subject: Enhancement of pension under the Swatantrata Sainik Samman Pension Scheme, 1980 in respect of freedom fighters and their eligible dependents.

Sir,

I am directed to say that it has been decided to enhance the total amount of monthly pension of freedom fighters and the dependent family pension of spouses (widows/widowers), eligible daughters and dependent parents of deceased freedom fighters with effect from 15.08.2016. Consequently, the monthly amount of pension of various categories of freedom fighter pensioners will be as below with effect from 15.08.2016:-

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[Signature]
17/8/16

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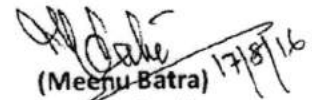
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2. It is also informed that the existing Dearness Relief system based on All India Consumer Price Index for Industrial workers, which was hitherto applied to freedom fighter pensioners on annual basis, has been discontinued and replaced by the Dearness Allowance system applicable to Central Government employees twice a year.

3. It is, therefore, requested to issue necessary instructions to all concerned to modify the existing Pension Payment Orders (PPOs) of the freedom fighter pensioners and the eligible dependent pensioners of deceased freedom fighters, in each case, so as to effect payment of revised monthly pension as indicated in paragraph 1 and 2 above.

4. Hindi version will follow.

Yours faithfully,


(Meenu Batra) 17/8/16

Deputy Secretary to the Government of India
Tel. No. 23438062

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Government of India/Bharat Sarkar
Ministry of Home Affairs/Grih Mantralaya

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New Delhi, the 17.11 August, 2016

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1. The Secretary, Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure, North Block, New Delhi-110 001.
2. The Comptroller and Auditor General of India, 10, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi.
3. The Chief Accountant, Reserve Bank of India, Central Office, Department of Account & Expenditure, Mumbai. It is requested that necessary instructions be issued to the authorized banks for making payment of pension to various categories of freedom fighters and their eligible dependents at the enhanced rates from the 15.08.2016.
4. Chief Controller of Accounts, Central Pension Accounting Office (CPAO), Bhikaji Kama Place, Trikot-II, Behind Hotel Hyatt. Regency, New Delhi-110 066.
5. Chief Controller of Accounts (Pension and Misc.), Jamnagar House, N.D.-110011.
6. The Accounts Officer, Office of the Controller General of Accounts, Ministry of Finance Lok Nayak Bhawan, New Delhi-110 003.
7. Chief Secretaries of all State Governments/U.T. Administrations.
8. Prime Minister's Office, South Block, New Delhi.
9. The Cabinet Secretariat, Rashtrapati Bhawan, New Delhi w.r.t. the ID No. 261/1/9/2016.Cab. dated 17.08.2016.
10. CPPCs of all 28 authorized banks (list attached).
11. PS to Home Minister, MHA, North Block, New Delhi/PS to MOS (H), MHA.
12. Private Secretaries to HS/SS (F)/AS(F)/JS (FFR).
13. All Officers and staff of Freedom Fighters Division, Ministry of Home Affairs, NDCC-II Building, New Delhi.
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(Meenu Batra)

Deputy Secretary to the Government of India

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गृह मंत्रालय

द्वितीय तल, एन डी सी सी-II भवन

जय सिंह मार्ग, नई दिल्ली-110001

दिनांक : 17 अगस्त, 2016

सेवा में,

मुख्य लेखा नियंत्रक,

गृह मंत्रालय

नॉर्थ ब्लॉक,

नई दिल्ली-110001

विषय: स्वतंत्रता सेनानी सम्मान पेंशन योजना, 1980 के अंतर्गत स्वतंत्रता सेनानियों तथा उनके पात्र आश्रितों के लिए पेंशन में वृद्धि।

महोदय,

मुझे यह कहने का निदेश हुआ है कि दिनांक 15.08.2016 से स्वतंत्रता सेनानियों, तथा मृतक स्वतंत्रता सेनानियों के जीवन साथियों (विधवा/विधुर), पात्र मृतकों तथा आश्रित माता-पिता के लिए मासिक पेंशन की कुल राशि में वृद्धि करने का निर्णय लिया गया है। इसके फलस्वरूप स्वतंत्रता सेनानी पेंशनभोगियों की विभिन्न श्रेणियों की मासिक पेंशन की राशि दिनांक 15.08.2016 से निम्नानुसार होगी:-

क्रम सं.	स्वतंत्रता सेनानियों की श्रेणी	पेंशन की वर्तमान राशि (प्रतिमाह)	पेंशन की बढ़ी हुई राशि (प्रतिमाह)
1.	पूर्व अंडमान राजनैतिक कैदी/उनके जीवनसाथी	24,775/- रुपए	30,000/- रुपए
2.	ब्रिटिश इंडिया से बाहर यातना भोगने वाले स्वतंत्रता सेनानी/ उनके जीवन-साथी	23085/- रुपए	28,000/- रुपए
3.	आजाद हिंद फौज सहित अन्य स्वतंत्रता सेनानी/उनके जीवन - साथी	21,395/- रुपए	26,000/- रुपए
4.	आश्रित माता-पिता/पात्र पुत्रियां (एक समय में अधिकतम तीन पुत्रियों तक)	3,380/- रुपए (आश्रित माता-पिता) 5,070/- रुपए (पुत्रियां)	उस राशि का 50 प्रतिशत जो स्वतंत्रता सेनानी के लिए ग्रहण हुई होती अर्थात 13,000/- से 15,000/- रुपए की रेंज में

2. औद्योगिक कामगारों के लिए अखिल भारतीय उपभोक्ता मूल्य सूचकांक पर आधारित मौजूदा मंहगाई राहत प्रणाली, जो अब तक स्वतंत्रता सेनानी पेंशनभोगियों के लिए वार्षिक आधार पर लागू थी, को समाप्त कर दिया गया

17/8/16

है तथा इसके स्थान पर केन्द्र सरकार के कर्मचारियों के लिए लागू वर्ष में दो बार मंहगाई भत्ता प्रणाली लागू कर दी गई है।

3. अतः यह अनुरोध है कि सभी संबंधितों को स्वतंत्रता सेनानी पेंशनभोगियों तथा मृतक स्वतंत्रता सेनानियों के पात्र आश्रित पेंशनभोगियों के प्रत्येक मामले में विद्यमान पेंशन भुगतान आदेशों (पी पी ओज) में संशोधन के आवश्यक आदेश जारी किए ताकि संशोधित मासिक पेंशन के भुगतान को लागू किया जा सके जैसाकि उपर्युक्त अनुच्छेद 1 तथा 2 में विनिर्दिष्ट किया गया है।

भवदीय

मीनू बेवा 12/8/16
(मीनू बेवा)

उप सचिव, भारत सरकार

दूरभाष सं. 23438062

सूचना तथा समरूप कार्यवाई के लिए प्रतिलिपि अगेषित:-

1. सचिव, वित्त मंत्रालय, व्यय विभाग, नॉर्थ ब्लॉक, नई दिल्ली-110001
2. भारत के नियंत्रक एवं महालेखापरीक्षक, 10, बहादुर शाह जफर मार्ग, नई दिल्ली।
3. मुख्य लेखाकार, भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक, केन्द्रीय कार्यालय, लेखा एवं व्यय विभाग, मुम्बई। यह अनुरोध किया जाता है कि स्वतंत्रता सेनानियों तथा उनके पात्र आश्रितों की विभिन्न श्रेणियों को दिनांक 15.08.2016 से बढ़ी हुई दरों से भुगतान करने के लिए अधिकृत बैंकों को आवश्यक अनुदेश जारी किए जाएं।
4. मुख्य लेखा नियंत्रक, केन्द्रीय पेंशन लेखा कार्यालय (सी पी ए ओ), भीकाजी कामा प्लेस, ब्रिक्कट-11, होटल हयात रेजेंसी के पीछे, नई दिल्ली-110066
5. मुख्य लेखा नियंत्रक (पेंशन एवं विविध) जामनगर हाउस, नई दिल्ली-110011
6. लेखा अधिकारी, महालेखा नियंत्रक का कार्यालय, वित्त मंत्रालय, लोक नायक भवन, नई दिल्ली-110003
7. सभी राज्य सरकार/संघ राज्य क्षेत्र प्रशासनों के मुख्य सचिव।
8. प्रधानमंत्री कार्यालय, साउथ ब्लॉक, नई दिल्ली।
9. मंत्रिमंडल सचिवालय, राष्ट्रपति भवन, नई दिल्ली के उनके दिनांक 17.08.2016 के पत्रांक 261/1/9/2016 - Cab के संदर्भ में।
10. सभी 28 अधिकृत बैंकों के सी पी पी सीज को (सूची संलग्न)
11. गृह मंत्री के निजी सचिव, गृह मंत्रालय नॉर्थ ब्लॉक, नई दिल्ली/गृह राज्यमंत्री (एनएच) के निजी सचिव, गृह मंत्रालय
12. गृह सचिव/ एस एस (एफ)/अपर सचिव(एफ)/संयुक्त सचिव (एफ एफ आर) के निजी सचिव।
13. स्वतंत्रता सेनानी प्रभाग के सभी अधिकारी और कर्मचारी, गृह मंत्रालय, एन डी सी सी-11, जय सिंह रोड, नई दिल्ली।
14. अनुभाग अधिकारी (आई टी) को इस पत्र की एक प्रति गृह मंत्रालय की वेबसाइट (एफ एफ आर प्रभाग) पर अपलोड करने हेतु।
15. 100 अतिरिक्त प्रतियां।

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उप सचिव, भारत सरकार

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No. 45/06/2016-FF(P)
Government of India/Bharat Sarkar
Ministry of Home Affairs/Grih Mantralaya
Freedom Fighters & Rehabilitation Division

2nd Floor, NDCC-II Building,
 Jai Singh Road, New Delhi-110 001,
 Dated: the 28th of October, 2016.

To,

The Chief Controller of Accounts,
 Ministry of Home Affairs,
 North Block,
 New Delhi-110 001.

Subject: Enhancement of pension under the Swatantrata Sainik Samman Pension Scheme, 1980 in respect of freedom fighters and their eligible dependents.

Sir,

This is in continuation of this Ministry's Order of even number dated 17.08.2016 on the subject cited above. It is hereby informed that the Cabinet in its meeting held on 21.09.2016 has approved the proposal for enhancement of pension under the Swatantrata Sainik Samman Pension Scheme, 1980 in respect of freedom fighters and their eligible dependents. Further, it has also been decided that the existing Dearness Relief system based on All India Consumer Price Index for Industrial workers, which was hitherto applied to freedom fighter pensioners on annual basis, may be discontinued and replaced by the Dearness Allowance system applicable to Central Government employees twice a year. This will be termed as "Dearness Relief", which is the appropriate word in case of pensioners."

However, this provision may not be construed to equate the Freedom Fighters Pension under Swatantrata Sainik Samman Pension scheme, 1980 with service pension given to the central/state government employees after their retirement/superannuation.

2. It has also been decided to bring the Swatantrata Sainik Samman Pension Scheme, 1980 under the ambit of Aadhaar based DBT. Once the pensioners come under the ambit of Aadhaar based DBT, they would not only be able to receive money directly into their bank accounts, but also be able to withdraw money at their door-step using

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New Delhi, the 28th of October, 2016

Aadhaar Enabled Micro-ATMs. They can also use "Jeevan Praman" to get their annual life certificates and would not need to make a visit to their bank branches for this purpose. Further, in order to accomplish the task within a time frame, it has been decided that the process of linking these pension accounts with their respective Aadhaar numbers should be speeded up in order to enable pensioners to derive all the benefits of Aadhaar and their pensions could be disbursed seamlessly through Aadhaar linked bank accounts from the month of January, 2017.

3. Rest of the contents of the letter remain the same.
4. Hindi version will follow.

Yours faithfully,



(Meenu Batra)

Deputy Secretary to the Government of India
Tel. No. 23438062

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5. Chief Controller of Accounts (Pension and Misc.), Jamnagar House, N.D.-110011.
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7. Chief Secretaries of all State Governments/U.T. Administrations.
8. Prime Minister's Office, South Block, New Delhi.
9. The Cabinet Secretariat, Rashtrapati Bhawan, New Delhi w.r.t. the ID No. 39/CM/2016 (i) dated 07.08.2016.
10. CPPCs of all 28 authorized banks (list attached).
11. PS to Home Minister, MHA, North Block, New Delhi.
12. Private Secretaries to HS/SS (F)/JS (FFR).
13. All Officers and staff of Freedom Fighters Division, Ministry of Home Affairs, NDCC-II Building, New Delhi.
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Deputy Secretary to the Government of India



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Freedom Fighters & Rehabilitation Division

Immediate

2nd Floor, NDCC-II Building,
Jai Singh Road, New Delhi-110 001,
Dated: the 9th of January, 2017.

To,
The Chief Controller of Accounts,
Ministry of Home Affairs,
North Block,
New Delhi-110 001.

Subject: Enhancement of pension under the Swatantrata Sainik Samman Pension Scheme, 1980 in respect of freedom fighters and their eligible dependents-Clarification on Dearness Allowance - regarding

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter no. CPAO/IT & Tech/Freedom Fighter/1(Vol-XI) 2016-18/84 dated 28.11.2016 on the subject noted above and to clarify that 2% Dearness Allowance w.e.f. 01.07.2016 announced recently for Central Government Pensioners & Employees will not be applicable for the Central Freedom Fighter Pensioners whose pension has been revised/enhanced with effect from 15.08.2016 i.e., subsequent to the effective date of the 2% Dearness Allowance which is 01.07.2016.

2. However, the next Dearness Allowance due w.e.f. 01.01.2017 and subsequent Dearness Allowance will be applicable for the Central Freedom Fighter Pension.

Yours faithfully,


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2. Chief Controller of Accounts (Pension and Misc.), Jamnagar House, N.D.-110011.
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