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MINISTRY OF DEFENCE PEN-C

Subject: - Special family pensionary awards and disability pension.

Reference: Ministry of Defence letters No.195163/Pen-C, dated the 17th September 1965 and 7th October 1965 on the above subject.

Certain points arising out of the orders contained in the letters referred to above have been considered by Government and the following clarifications are issued:-

(1) Payment of children's allowance separately, in cases of death of Services personnel below officer rank.

If the nominated or the eligible heir is not the widow and if the special family pension <u>plus</u> children's allowance is payable at the consolidated rate of two-thirds of the basic pay or the full besic pay or the full basic pay last drawn by the deceased, as the case may be, the total amount may be divided between the nominated or eligible heir and the children in the same proportion as the normal entitlement of special family pension and children's allowance under the Pension Regulations.

(2) Higher rates of children's allowance to motherless children of Service personnel below officer rank.

According to the existing rules, if special family pension ceases to be payable to any eligible heir for any reason, the children's allowance is increased by 50%. The revised entitlement in such cases will be double the increased allowance, that is, it will be three times the normal rate of children's allowance prescribed in the Pension Regulations.

(3) Division of special family pensionary awards in the case of Service personnel below officer rank.

If the recipient of the pension at the consolidated rate does not support the other eligible heir or heirs including children, if any, the amount will be divided among all the eligible heirs in the manner indicated in sub-para (1) above.

(4) Admissibility of ad hoc increase in pension on special family pensionary awards and disability pension.

Ad hoc increase in pension on the revised award will be payable if the total amount is less than the ceiling applicable, namely, two-thirds or the whole of the basic pay last drawn as the case may be, but in no case will the total payment including ad hoc allowance exceed this ceiling.

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(5) Definition of basic pay.

Basic pay will mean only the basic pay of rank in the case of officers; and basic pay plus increments, rank pay, good service pay, good conduct pay and badge pay, in the case of personnel below officer rank.

- The date up to which the orders in question will be in force will be intimated to all concerned in due course.
- This issues with the concurrence of the Ministry of Finance (Defence) vide their u.o.No.4027-PF of 1965.

(A.B. RAMACHANDRAN) Deputy Secretary to the Government of India.

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