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Government of India,  
Ministry of Defence,  
New Delhi, the 26th March, 1998

To  
The Chief of the Army Staff  
The Chief of the Naval Staff  
The Chief of the Air Staff

Subj:- Grant of Family Pension to Sons/Daughters of  
Army Personnel adopted after retirement.

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Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Note(1) below para 6 of Army Instruction 51/80 and this Ministry's letter No. 6(7)/87/D(Pens/Serv) dated 5.4.1991 which provide that children adopted legally before retirement are entitled for family pension. Further marriage after discharge/retirement and children born after discharge of the Armed Forces personnel have also been allowed the benefit of the family pension scheme under the provisions contained in the ibid AI/ 51/80 and Govt letter dated 5.4.1991. There is no orders for admissibility of ordinary family pension in respect of children adopted legally after retirement on defence side whereas on the civil side provisions for this have been made by Department of P&PW vide their DM No.1(66)/P&PW/89E dated 18.1.1993.

2. In order to equate ~~xxxxxxx~~ defence personnel with civilian the President is now pleased to decide that children legally adopted after retirement will also be eligible for the benefit of the ordinary family pension from the date from which such orders are applicable to civilians. These orders shall be applicable to all cases arising even before 18th Jan, 1993 but the financial effect will be available from 18.1.93 only.

3. This issues with the concurrence of Defence(Finance) vide their No.214/Pen/98 dated 26.2.1998.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

( AMRIT LAL )

UNDER SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA