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No. 6(3)/99/D(Pension Services) Government of India/Bharat Sarkar, Ministry of Defence/Raksha Mantralaya

New Delhi, dated the 7th October, 1999

To

The Chief of the Army Staff, The Chief of the Naval Staff. The Chief of the Air Staff,

Subject:- REVISION OF ORDINARY FAMILY PENSION
IN RESPECT OF PRE-96 DECEASED ARMED FORCES
PERSONNEL BELOW OFFICER RANK(PBOR).

Sir,

I am directed to say that consequent on issue of this Ministry's letter No. 1(1)/99/D(Pen/Sers) dated 7.6.1999 as amended by Corrigendum dated 23.6.99 on modified parity, with effect from 1.1.96 family pension of all Armed Forces pensioners irrespective of the date of retirement/discharge/invalidment shall not be less than 30% of the minimum pay(including classification allowance) in the revised scale of pay introduced w.e.f. 1.1.96 of the rank and group last held by the pensioner/deceased individual. As the revision of ordinary family pension in respect of those family pensioners of PBOR in receipt of family pension @ Rs.1275 - pm with effect from 1.1.96 will not be beneficial, no revision is involved under these modified orders. In other cases of family pension, revision is however involved.

2. Under this Ministry's letter dated 7.6.99 and Corrigendum dated 23.6.99, the revision of family pension is required to be done by the PSA concerned on receipt of application from Record Office concerned through PDA after fixation of notional pay in pre-1.1.86 cases. As there has been representations from various agencies for prompt revision of family pension, the President is pleased to decide that PDAs shall refix ordinary family pension w.e.f. 1.1.96 in respect of family pensioners belonging to Armed Forces Personnel Below Officer Rank(PBOR) without any further authorisation from concerned PSA and shall pay the arrears on account of such refixation irrespective of the fact whether the family pensioner has submitted application or not under this Ministry's letter dated 14.7.98.

- 3. With a view to expediting the re-fixation of ordinary family pension by the PDA, a table showing the rate of ordinary family pension calculated at 30% of the minimum pay including classification allowance, if any, in the revised scale introduced w.e.f. 1.1.96 is appended with this letter as Annexure-A for Army Personnel, Annexure-B for Navy Personnel and Annexure-C for Air Force Personnel which indicate the rates of ordinary family pension for different ranks and groups as admissible with effect from 1.1.96, irrespective of date of retirement/death.
- 4. Where a family pensioner is drawing consolidated rate of family pension in terms of this Ministry's letter dated 24.11.97 which happens to be more than the amount shown in the table, her family pension shall not be revised to the disadvantage of family pensioner. However, subsequently on receipt of application if the ordinary family pension is found to be more than 30% of the minimum pay in the revised scale introduced with effect from 1.1.96, the same shall be revised by the PSA Concerned.
- 5. Where the group of the pensioner is not indicated in the PPO, pension may be revised as per the scales of the lowest group of the rank. In these cases, the PDAs should address the concerned RO to ascertain the group of the deceased soldier. On receipt of the requisite information, pension may be further revised as due.
- 6. This issues with the concurrence of Defence(Finance Pension) vide their U.O. No. 6151/Pen/99 dated 04.10.1999.

Yours faiathfully,

(AMRIT LAL)

Deputy Secretary to the Government of India

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