

To

The Chief of Army Staff
The Chief of Naval Staff
The Chief of Air Staff

Subject: Grant of family pension for life to handicapped children of Armed Forces personnel.

Sir,

I am directed to state that the provisions for grant of family pension for life to physically and mentally handicapped child(ren) of Armed Forces personnel were issued vide this Ministry's letter No.A/49601/AG/PS-4(e)/3363/B/D(Pen/Sers) dated 27th August, 1987 as amended from time to time. The said Govt. order dated 27.8.1987 as amended vide Corr A/219601/AG/PS-4(e)/1719/D(Pen/Sers) dated 21.12.89 is further amended as under:-

- (a) In renumbered clause (v) of Para 2, for the words, "a Medical officer not below the rank of a Civil Surgeon", the following shall be substituted, namely

"a Medical Board comprising of a Medical Superintendent or a Principal for a Director, or Head of the Institution or his nominee as Chairman and two other members out of which at least one shall be a Specialist in the particular area of mental or physical disability including mental retardation".

- (b) In clause (iv) (as inserted vide this Ministry's corr dated 21.12.89), the words "a medical officer not below the rank of a Civil Surgeon", the following shall be substituted namely

"a Medical Board comprising of a Medical Superintendent or a Principal or a Director, or Head of the Institution or his nominee as Chairman and two other members out of which at least one shall be a Specialist in

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the particular area of mental or physical disability including mental retardation.”


- (c) In renumbered clause (vi) for the words, “shall produce every three years a certificate from a Medical Officer not below the rank of Civil Surgeon”, may be substituted, namely

“shall produce a certificate from a Medical Board comprising of a Medical Superintendent or a Principal or a Director or Head of the Institution or his nominee as Chairman and two other members, out of which at least one shall be a Specialist in the particular area of mental or physical disability including mental retardation, once, if the disability is permanent and if the disability is temporary, one in every five years”.

2. The provisions of this Ministry's letter No.PC. MF-Air HQ/283/FPHC/PP&R-3(i)/582/A/D(Pen/Sers) dated 29.11.2005 also stand modified to the above extent. Form No.AFMSF-3B appearing at the end of para 4 of this letter is replaced by AFMSF-HD(1), the specimen of which is enclosed. All other conditions governing the grant of family pension for life to mentally retarded/physically handicapped child(ren) would remain unchanged.

3. These orders shall take effect from 28.4.2008, the date of Gazette Notification.

4. This issues with the concurrence of MOD(Fin/Pen) vide their u.o.No.3233/Fin(Pen), dated 7.08.2008.



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Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

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