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Government of India
Ministry of Defence
Department of Ex-Servicemen Welfare
New Delhi, 11th Sept. 2009

To

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

Subject:-

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GOVERNMENT DECISION ON THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SIXTH CENTRAL PAY COMMISSION – REVISION OF PROVISIONS REGULATING PENSION/GRATUITY/ COMMUTATION OF PENSION/FAMILY PENSION/DISABILITY PENSION FOR THE ARMED FORCES OFFICERS AND PERSONNEL BELOW OFFICER RANK (PBOR) RETIRING OR DYING IN HARNESS ON OR AFTER 1.1.2006.

Sir,

The undersigned is directed to refer to Para 9.3 of this Ministry's letter of even number dated 12.11.2008 as substituted vide corrigendum of even number dated 27.11.2008 regarding commutation of pension. The Armed Forces pensioners in whose case commutation of pension became absolute on or after 1.1.2006 but before 2.9.2008 are required to submit an option certificate as per Annexure II appended with this Ministry's corrigendum dated 27.11.2008 to commute the amount of pension that has become additionally commutable. In the above Government orders, the date by which a pensioner is required to opt for commutation of additional pension has not been prescribed. As such, a large number of affected pensioners are reported to have not requisite option and, therefore, the revision pension/gratuity/commuted value of pension under 6th CPC by the concerned PSAs is held up. In order to avoid further delays in the revision of pension/gratuity under 6th CPC Government orders, the matter has been examined in the Ministry and the President is pleased to decide that the option for commutation of additional pension shall be exercised by the affected Armed Forces pensioners within a period of one month of issue of these orders and no option shall be accepted after that date. In case no option is exercised till that date, the pensioner shall be deemed to have opted for option 1 of the above said Annexure-II and his case will be processed accordingly.

- 2. It has also been decided that after the above cut off date, the claim for revision of pension/gratuity will be initiated by the CDA(O), Pune in the case of Army Officers, Naval Pay office in the case of Naval Officers and AFCAO in the case of Air Force Officers and concerned Records office in the case of PBOR. Any option/request received from the pensioner after the above cut off date, shall be treated as a fresh application for commutation of additional pension. In such cases, a fresh commutation medical board, if applicable, would be required as per extant rules on the subject and age as on next birthday would be reckoned accordingly to calculate commuted value of pension.
- 3. This issues with the concurrence of Ministry of Defence(Fin) vide their U.O.No.3442/Fin(Pen) dated 9.9.2009.
- 4. Hindi version will follow.

Yours faithfully,

(Harbans/Singh)
Director(Ren/Policy)

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