1(9)/2010/D (Res-l) Government of India Ministry of Defence (Deptt. of Ex-Servicemen Welfare)

New Delhi, the 10th April, 2013

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Grant of Ex-servicemen status to Army Postal Service Personnel.

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Ministry's OM of even No. dated 20/21.07.2011 on the above subject wherein it was stated that as per Order dated 26.03.2010 passed by Hon'ble AFT Chandigarh in connection with TA. No. 110 of 2009 (arising out of CWP No 15237/2009) filed by JC-105931 Ex-Sub Atma Singh & others Vs UOI & others, personnel who were on deputation in Army Postal Service for more than 6(Six) months prior to 14th April 1987 would also be considered as Exservicemen with all consequential benefits. It has been reported that Ex-serviceman status has not been given to such personnel as a result of which they are being denied the benefits available to Ex-servicemen. Some representations have been received in this regard from affected personnel also.

2. The matter has been examined in the department and with the approval of the competent authority, it is reiterated that that OM dated 20/21.07.2011was issued based on the directions of the Hon'ble AFT very clearly stating that personnel who were on deputation in Army Postal Service for more than 6 (six) months prior to 14th April, 1987 would also be considered as Ex-servicemen with all consequential benefits. Hence a person who was on deputation in APS for more than 6 (Six) months prior to 14th April 1987 is to be considered as ESM.

(Vineet Saini) Deputy Secretary (Res-I)

To

- 1. Director General Resettlement
- 2. Secretary, Kendriya Sainik Board
- 3. Addl. DG (Postal Services), Army HQrs, R.K.Puram, New Delhi.
- 4. Zonal Directors of Resettlement (though KSB)

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- 1. Adjutant General, Army HQrs.
- 2. A.O.A., Air HQrs.
- 3. C.O.P. Naval HQrs
- 4. All Rajya Sainik Board/Zila Sainik Board (through KSB)
- 5. PSA, NIC, MoD ---- It is requested to upload the OM on the website of D/o ESW.