To

The Chief Controller of Accounts,
Ministry of Home Affairs,
North Block,
New Delhi -110 001.

Subject: Grant of another installment of Dearness Relief to the freedom fighters and their eligible dependents under the \textit{Swatantrata Sainik Samman} Pension (SSSP) Scheme, 1980, w.e.f. 1.8.2010.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to this Ministry’s letter No. 8/8/97-FF(P) dated 16\textsuperscript{th}/20\textsuperscript{th} August, 1997 wherein it was decided that pension be linked with the price index in an appropriate manner.

2. Subsequently, in consultation with the Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure and after taking into consideration the All India Consumer Price Index (AICPI) for Industrial Workers (IW) in June, 1997 as the base, Dearness Relief @7\% of the pension or dependent family pension was sanctioned w.e.f. 1\textsuperscript{st} August 1998 vide Ministry of Home Affairs letter No. 8/8/97-FF(P) dated 14\textsuperscript{th} October 1998.

3. The Dearness Relief has been revised periodically, in consultation with the Ministry of Finance, as indicated below:-

(i). @ 20\% w.e.f. 1.8.1999,
(ii). @ 24\% w.e.f. 1.8.2000,
(iii). @ 28\% w.e.f. 1.8.2001,
(iv). @ 34\% w.e.f. 1.8.2002,
(v). @ 39\% w.e.f. 1.8.2003,
(vi). @ 44\% w.e.f. 1.8.2004
(vii). @ 50\% w.e.f 15.8.2005,
(viii). @ 58\% w.e.f. 1.8.2006,
(ix). @ 68\% w.e.f. 1.8.2007,
(x). @ 79\% w.e.f. 1.8.2008.
(xi). @ 96\% w.e.f. 1.8.2009.

4. It has been decided to grant another installment of Dearness Relief to various categories of freedom fighters and their eligible dependents under the \textit{Swatantrata Sainik Samman} Pension (SSSP) Scheme, 1980, @ 27\% with effect from August 1, 2010. The total Dearness Relief payable to various categories of freedom fighters and their eligible dependents w.e.f. 1.8.2010 would, thus be 123\%.
5. Dearness Relief payable with effect from 1.8.2010, in terms of these orders, to various categories of freedom fighters and their eligible dependents under the *Swatantrata Sainik Samman* Pension (SSSP) Scheme, 1980, would be as under:

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<th>S. No.</th>
<th>Category</th>
<th>Present rate of basic monthly pension (w.e.f. <strong>2.10.2006</strong>) (Rs.)</th>
<th>Dearness Relief @ 123% of the basic monthly pension payable with effect from <strong>1.8.2010</strong> (Rs.)</th>
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<td>1 (a)</td>
<td>Ex-Andaman Political Prisoners</td>
<td>7,330/-</td>
<td>9,016/-</td>
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<td>(b)</td>
<td>Freedom Fighters who suffered outside British India (other than INA)</td>
<td>6,830/-</td>
<td>8,401/-</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Other Freedom Fighters</td>
<td>6,330/-</td>
<td>7,786/-</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Widow/widower of above categories of freedom fighters</td>
<td>Entitlement same as of the respective deceased freedom fighter</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>Unmarried/unemployed daughters</td>
<td>1,500/- each to all the three daughters</td>
<td>1,845/- each to all the three daughters</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>Mother and Father</td>
<td>1,000/- each</td>
<td>1,230/- each</td>
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6. You are therefore, requested to issue necessary instructions to all concerned to modify the existing pension payments orders (PPO) of the freedom fighter pensioners and their eligible dependents in each case so as to effect commencement of payment of Dearness Relief to the extent indicated in paragraphs 2 and 3 above.

7. This issues with the approval of Ministry of Finance given vide their U.O. No. 1(7)/EV/2004 dated 29.09.2010 and concurrence of Integrated Finance Division of Ministry of Home Affairs given vide their C.F.65566/AS&FA(H) dated 01.10.2010.

8. Hindi version will follow.

Yours faithfully,

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Copy forwarded (By Speed/Registered Post) for information and similar action to :-

1. The Secretary, Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure, North Block, New Delhi-110 001 [Attention: Sh. Manoj Sahay, Director (E.V)].

2. The Comptroller and Auditor General of India, 10, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi. It is requested that all Accountant Generals may be advised to issue necessary instructions to all the Treasury Officers for making payment of Dearness Relief as per the rates mentioned above with effect from 1.8.2010.

3. The Chief Accountant, Reserve Bank of India, Central Office, Department of Accounts & Expenditure, Mumbai. It is requested that necessary instructions be issued to the nationalized banks for making payment of Dearness Relief as per the rates mentioned above with effect from 1.8.2010.

4. Chief Controller of Accounts, Central Pension Accounting Office (CPAO), Bhikaji Kama Place, Trikoot-II, Behind Hotel Hyatt Regency, New Delhi -110 066.


8. Prime Minister’s Office, South Block, New Delhi.

9. The Cabinet Secretariat, Rashtrapati Bhawan, New Delhi.

10. PS to Home Minister, MHA, North Block, New Delhi.

11. PS to MOS(M), MHA, North Block, New Delhi.

12. Private Secretaries to HS / Secretary (BM) / JS(FFR) / AS & FA(H).

13. All Officers and staff of Freedom Fighters’ Division, Ministry of Home Affairs, Lok Nayak Bhawan, Khan Market, New Delhi.

14. SO(IT), along with a soft copy of the order, with the request to place it on the MHA’s website (FFR Division).

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