

ANNEXURE - 4

Eligibility conditions & Evidentiary requirements regarding INA cases.

- Eligibility conditions for INA cases are same as per SSS Pension Scheme, 1980. INA claimants over the time have been granted pension for imprisonment suffered at the hands of British.
- There are two categories of INA personnel i.e. (i) those who joined INA from the then British Indian Army called Military Category and (ii) those who were recruited in the INA Movement locally called Civilian Category.
- In cases of Military Category, discharge book/certificate issued by the concerned Indian Army authority/Regiments is a crucial documentary evidence to decide eligibility of the claimants for SSS Pension. In the absence of the discharge book/certificate or any doubt, reports obtained from the concerned Army Records Office are taken into consideration to decide the INA cases.
- For the civilian category, a Co-prisoners Certificate (CPC) from a Central freedom fighter pensioner who had undergone imprisonment for a minimum one year is necessary. There is no need of NARC. In addition, other corroborative documents like repatriation certificate, State Pension sanction order, certificate of INA Association should be produced.
- In the past, 3 non-officials committees comprising of Ex-INA officers were constituted to review / consider the INA cases and give their recommendations. At present no such committee is in existence.