

No.8/17/89-FF(P)
Government of India/Bharat Sarkar
Ministry of Home Affairs/Grih Mantralaya

New Delhi-110003, dated the 24th October, 90.

To

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

Sub :- New Scheme for payment of freedom fighters pension w.e.f.
1.1.90 - simplification of procedure.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the correspondence resting with your office U.O. Nos. 10-279/CPAO/89/376 dated 19.2.90 and 10-279/CPAO/89-560 dated 16.3.90 regarding introduction of new scheme for payment of freedom fighters' pension and to say that as per decision of the Ministry of Finance (Deptt. of Expenditure) (Central Pension Accounting Office) as communicated vide this Ministry's letter of even number dt. 15.1.1990, all the sanctions issued by this Ministry on or after 1.1.1990 are to be conveyed to the Chief Controller of Accounts, Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi, for arranging payment and accounting of Central Civil Pension. Difficulties are, however, being experienced by various quarters in the matter of transfer of pensions to spouse/dependent daughters, ante-dating, suspensions / cancellation and restoration of pension in which orders for sanction of pension were issued by this Ministry before 1.1.1990. The matter has been under consideration for sometime past and it has been decided in consultation with the Ministry of Finance, (Deptt. of Expenditure) (Central Pension Accounting Office) that such type of cases may henceforth be dealt with as per the procedure laid down below:

1. Transfer of pension to spouse/ dependent daughters: (a) where pension has been sanctioned family to freedom fighters on or after 1.1.90 and the name of spouse is also included in the sanction letter issued by this

Ministry, family pension in such cases will be authorized by PAO (Sectt.), M.H.A. After the death of the pensioner the spouse /unmarried dependent daughters will submit an application along with death certificate and other identification documents for herself/ himself to the pension disbursing authority. Pension Disbursing Authority will commence the payment of pension to the spouse/unmarried dependent daughters after getting the claim verified w.r.t. identification documents and joint photograph submitted earlier by deceased freedom fighter.

(b) Where pension has been sanctioned to the freedom fighter on or after 1.1.90 and the freedom fighter has since expired before or after drawing the pension for some period and where name of the spouse was not included in the sanction letter/PPO, the Freedom Fighter's Division, Ministry of Home Affairs shall, on receipt of a request from spouse/unmarried dependent daughters, call for his/her verification report from the District Magistrate concerned. After receipt of verification report such cases will be processed as fresh ones and necessary sanctions addressed to the Chief Controller of Accounts, Ministry of Home Affairs for issuing fresh PPOs.

(c) Where pension has been sanctioned to freedom fighters before 1.1.90 and the freedom fighter has since expired before or after drawing the pension for some period and where the name of the spouse was not included in the sanction letter/PPO, the Freedom Fighters' Division, Ministry of Home Affairs shall, on receipt of a request from spouse/unmarried dependent daughters, call for his/her verification report from the District Magistrate concerned. After receipt of verification report, such cases will be processed as fresh ones and necessary sanctions addressed to the Chief

Controller of Accounts, Ministry of Home Affairs, for issuing fresh PPOs. In such cases the old sanctions/PPOs will have to be cancelled.

The cases of payment of pension to widows where pension was sanctioned to the freedom fighter after his death and the fact that the freedom fighter is dead, was not known to this office, have also to be processed as fresh ones, as explained above.

(d) Where pension has been sanctioned to freedom fighter before 1.1.1990 and the name of the spouse was also included in the sanction letter PPO and the freedom fighter has since expired after drawing it, in such cases, Freedom Fighters' Division, Ministry of Home Affairs shall on receipt of the intimation about the death of the freedom fighter, process the case as fresh one and deal it on the same lines as at para 1.1 (c) above and issue necessary sanction to the Chief Controller of Accounts, Ministry of Home Affairs for issuing of fresh PPOs.

(e) Where pension has been sanctioned to a widow on or after 1.1.1990 as a fresh case, naturally sanctions are to be conveyed to the Chief Controller of Accounts, Ministry of Home Affairs.

1.2 Ante-dating/
suspension/
cancellation/
restoration of
pension :

In such cases where orders have been issued before 01.01.1990, all further orders for their ante-dating suspension/cancellation/restoration of pension will be conveyed to the concerned Accountant General under intimation to the Central Pension Accounting Office.

1.3 Procedure for
switch-over for

If a freedom fighter pensioner who has been sanctioned pension before 1.1.1990 intends

payment of pension
from Treasury to
Sector Banks

to switch over from Treasury to Public Sector
Banks, for payment of pension, he/she will Public
submit the application (in duplicate) in
the enclosed prescribed proforma to the
Treasury Officer concerned.

The pensioners should first draw pension
which has already fallen due, before applying for
transfer of their pension papers to the public sector
banks.

Transfer applications (in duplicate) shall be
forwarded immediately by the Treasury Officer
along with the copies of the disbursor's halves
(duly authenticated and written upto-date) of the
related PPOs to Central Pension Accounting Office
for transmission to the link branches of the public
sector banks for arranging payments after keeping
necessary note in their records, invariably under
intimation to the Accountant General concerned
and the Freedom Fighters' Division, Ministry of
Home Affairs. Action will also be taken by
Treasury Officer to up-to-date the entries of
payment made in the pensioner's half of the PPOs,
if not already done before the transfer applications
are sent to the Central Pension Accounting Office.

2. All concerned are requested to take necessary steps to bring into force the contents of this letter with immediate effect.

Yours faithfully,
Sd/
(V.D. ALAM)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to :

1. The Chief Accountant, Reserve Bank of India, Central Office, Deptt. of Accounts and Expenditure, Bombay.
2. The Chief Controller of Accounts, Ministry of Finance, Deptt. of Expenditure, North Block, New Delhi.
3. The Chief Controller (**Pensions**) (Shri B.S. Thapliyal), Central Pension Accounting Office, 274, Shaheed Capt. Gaur Marg, Srinivaspuri, New Delhi w.r.t. their U.O. No. R.26020/1/89-NFCPAO(Coord.)/T13 dated 11.4.90.
4. Pay and Accounts Officer (Sectt.) Ministry of Home Affairs, C-I Hutments, Dalhousie Road, New Delhi.
5. All Chief Secretaries of States/Union Territories.
6. All Accountants General of States/Union Territories.
7. All Officers of Freedom Fighters' Division.
8. All Processing Sections of F.F. Division.

Sd/-

(V.D. ALAM)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

***APPLICATION FOR DRAWAL OF PENSION THROUGH PUBLIC
SECTOR BANK***

(To be submitted in duplicate)

To

The Treasury Officer,
(Place)

Sir,

I opt to draw my pension through Public Sector Bank and give below necessary particulars to enable you to make arrangements in this regard:

1. PARTICULARS OF PENSIONER

(a) Name

(b) P.P.O. No.

(c) Present Address.

2. PARTICULARS OF THE AUTHORISED P.S.B.

(a) Name

(b) Branch where payment desired

3. *Pensioners S.B./Current Account No. at the Branch to which pension is to be credited.

Yours faithfully,

(PENSIONER)

Place :

Date:

*(Not 'Joint' or 'either or survivor' account)

Pensioner's specimen

Signature.....

***FOR USE IN THE OFFICE OF THE PENSION DISBURSING
AUTHORITY***

Forwarded to the Central Pension Accounting Office for transmission to
Link Branch of PSB -----(Name of Linker). The Disbursor's
half of PPO of Shri/Smt./Km.-----bearing No.-----is (are)
sent herewith.

The pensioner has been paid pension for the period upto the month of
----- . Pension due from the month of-----is to be arranged
by the Bank.

(Treasury Officer)
with Name & Seal

Station:

Date :

No.8/17/89-FF(P)
Government of India
Ministry of Home Affairs

New Delhi-3,
Dated: 01.05.1992.

To

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

Subject: New Scheme for payment of freedom fighters' pension with effect from 1.1.90 - simplification of procedure amendments - regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to this Ministry's letter of even number dated 24th October, 1990 on the subject mentioned above and to say that several requests are being received in this Ministry of simplifying the procedure for obtaining the pension by the legal heirs (spouses and unmarried dependent daughters) of the deceased freedom fighters who were in receipt of the Swatantrata Sainik Samman Pension. Accordingly, the matter has been carefully considered and it has been decided to make certain modifications in respect of the procedure laid down against some of the items contained in the aforesaid letter. Accordingly, the following modifications are made:

- (1) Paragraphs 1.1.(b), 1.1.(c) and 1.1(d) may be deleted.
- (2) New paragraphs namely 1.1(b) (i) and 1.1(b) (ii) may be substituted below para 1.1(a) as given under:-

Paragraph 1.1 (b) (i)

In case of pensioners already drawing their pension through the Public Sector Banks/Director of Accounts/ Treasuries/Pay & Accounts Officers, payment of family pension as indicated in the Pension Payment Orders shall be commenced by the disbursing officers on receipt of death

certificate and application for family pension in the prescribed forms along with pensioner's portion of the Pension Payment Order. The disbursing officer will enter the date of death of the pensioner in the disburser's portion of the Pension Payment Order and also make entries in the pensioner's portion of the Pension Payment Order. Before commencing payment of family pension, the disbursing officer will take action for identification of the family pensioner as prescribed in the rules. The date of death of the pensioner will also be intimated to the Freedom Fighters' Division, Ministry of Home Affairs/Chief Controller of Accounts, Ministry of Home Affairs and Central Pension Accounting office by pension disbursing authorities. The disbursing officer will also be responsible for obtaining certificate of remarriage/non-marriage and non-employment certificate in case of daughters from the recipient.'

Paragraph 1.1 (b) (ii)

'In cases where nomination does not exist, the disbursing officer may make payment of family pension after obtaining an affidavit affirming dependents relationship to the freedom fighter. A passport size photograph of the dependent of the freedom fighter should be, affixed on the affidavit which may be duly verified and attested by the District Magistrate under his office seal.'

(3) Paragraph 1.1(e) may be renumbered as paragraph 1.1 (c)

2. All the concerned are requested to take necessary steps to bring into force the contents of this letter with immediate effect.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/

(V. D. ALAM)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India.