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From

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To

All Secretaries to Government.

All Departments of Secretariat.

All Heads of Departments.

All Collectors/District Judges/Magistrates.

The Accountant General, Chennai – 9/18/35/Madurai.

All Pay and Accounts Officers,

All Treasury Officers / All Sub-Treasury Officers,

The Chairman, Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission, Chennai-2.

The Registrar General, High Court, Chennai–104.

The Commissioner of all Corporations.

Sir,

Sub: Revision of pensionary benefits in respect of those retired / died in harness on or after 1-1-2006 and upto 31-5-2009 – Procedure to be followed – Guidelines – Instructions issued – Regarding.

Ref:

- 1. G.O.Ms.No.234, Finance (Pay Cell) Department, dated:01—6—2009.
- 2. G.O.Ms.No.235, Finance (Pay Cell) Department, dated: 01—6—2009.
- 3. From the Deputy Accountant General (Pension), letter No.Pen.30 / I / 1-74 /PCR/2009-2010/46, dated: 22—7—2009.

I am to invite your attention to the references cited.

- 2) In the Government Order first cited, orders have been issued revising the scales of pay of employees and teachers notionally with effect from 1—1—2006 and with monetary benefit from 1—1—2007. Consequent on the above revision of scale of pay, the employees retired between 1—1—2006 and 31—5—2009 are entitled for payment of arrears of pay / pension and pensionary benefits.
- 3) The Deputy Accountant General (Pension) in the reference third cited has made certain suggestions to optimise the processing time for revision of pension and pensionary benefits to employees who retired / died in harness on or after 1—1—2006 and upto 31—5—2009. The Government after careful examination has decided to accept the suggestions of Deputy Accountant General (Pension) subject to slight modification incorporated therein. Accordingly, I am directed to issue the following guidelines / instructions for strict compliance in processing proposals

relating to revision of pensionary benefits in respect of those retired between 1—1—2006 and 31—5—2009 :--

- i) The Office of the Accountant General shall first furnish the details of pensioners for whom revision of pension / pensionary benefits is due in a prescribed format Department / District-wise with a request to retransmit the data duly filling up the pay last drawn. The details shall be furnished by the Departments in bulk, in two or three batches on or before 30th September, 2009 in soft copy so as to have better control over the entire procedure on revision at both ends.
- ii) The Office of the Accountant General shall recalculate the revised pensionary benefits only on receipt of details in soft copy and issue authorization for all the three benefits viz. revised Pension, revised Commuted Value of Pension and revised DCRG. to the Pension Pay Officer / Treasury Officer / Sub-Treasury Officers concerned as the case may be where the pensioner is currently drawing his pension. A copy of the authorization shall also be sent by the Office of Accountant General to the departmental officer concerned and to the pensioner for information.
- iii) The significant change in this procedure is that the departmental officer is delinked from the payment of revised DCRG. since all the recovery would have been effected while making payment of original amount of DCRG. and that there would not be any recovery to be effected from the revised DCRG. Hence, payment of revised DCRG. shall be made directly at the Pension Pay Office / Treasury / Sub-Treasury itself instead of making payment through the department.
- iv) Departmental Officers shall instruct the Drawing and Disbursing Officers under their control to paste the revised authorization in the Service Register of the employees concerned and arrange to make available the Service Register for subsequent validation.
- v) The office of the Accountant General shall undertake the post audit of the pay fixation done by the Drawing and Disbursing Officers and ensure the correctness of the pay fixation. If any erroneous fixation is noticed, downward revision of pension shall be made and the excess payment shall be adjusted before the last instalment of arrears to be paid.
- vi) The Drawing and Disbursing Officers are directed to send the pension proposals immediately in respect of employees who retired between 1—1—2006 and 31—5—2009 and to whom original pension proposals in the pre-revised pay scales have not been sent so far after duly fixing their pay in the revised scale of pay along with the Service Register indicating that revision has been done. In these cases the Accountant General shall issue two authorizations viz. first one for payment of entire pensionary benefits with reference to the pay in the pre-revised scale of pay and the second authorization for revised pensionary benefits based on the revised scale of pay to be paid in three equal instalments in 2009—10, 2010—11 and 2011—12 respectively

- vii) In respect of retirees on or after 1—6--2009, pension proposals should be sent only after fixing the pay in the revised scales of pay with reference to G.O.Ms.No.234, Finance (PC) Department, dated: 1—6—2009 separately as hitherto followed.
- viii) In respect of post audit cases of Police Department i.e. upto Head Constable, revised pension and DCRG. shall continue to be authorised by the respective Drawing and Disbursing Officers and revised Commuted Value of Pension alone shall be authorized by the Accountant General.
- As the commutation based on the revised pension consequent on revision of scale of pay shall be calculated with reference to the revised Commutation Table given in Annexure—I of G.O.Ms.No.235, Finance (Pay Cell) Department, dated: 1—6—2009, the employees retired between 1—1—2006 and 31—5—2009 who are not willing to commute the difference of revised pension, such employees shall clearly indicate their unwillingness to the Pension Sanctioning Authorities / Heads of Departments / Heads of Offices as the case may be so that the same may be clearly indicated in the consolidated proposals forwarded to the Accountant General.
- 4) I am also to request all the Heads of Departments / Heads of Offices to issue necessary instructions to all the Drawing and Disbursing Officers under their control to follow the above guidelines scrupulously in processing the pensionary benefits to those retired between 1—1—2006 and 31—5—2009. However, in respect of retirees on or after 1—6—2009, the pay of the employees shall be fixed in the revised pay scales as ordered in the Government Order first cited and necessary pension proposals as hitherto done shall be forwarded to the Office of the Accountant General for issue of necessary authorization.

Yours faithfully.

for Principal Secretary to Government.