

Letter No. 45881/Finance (Pension)/2009-1, dated 13-10-2009

From
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Principal Secretary to Government

To
The Principal Secretary /
Commissioner of Treasuries and Accounts,
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Sir,

Sub: Pension – Revision of Pension 2009 – Certain clarifications sought for – Issued

Ref: 1. G.O. Ms. No. 235, Finance (Pay Cell) Department, dated 01.06.2009

2. The Principal Secretary / Commissioner of Treasuries and Accounts Letter No. 22873/2009/E2, dated 04.08.2009

I am to invite attention to the references cited.

2) In the Government Order first cited, orders have been issued revising the pension of Pensioners / Family Pensioners notionally with effect from 1-1-2006 and with monetary benefit from 1-1-2007. The Principal Secretary / Commissioner of Treasuries and Accounts has sought for certain clarifications in his letter second cited. I am to issue the following clarifications to the points raised in the letter second cited.

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1.	Government have allowed Interim Arrears to the pensioners like Ex-gratia pensioners, Ex-Village Assistants and their families/Erstwhile Village Munsif/ Karnam Pensioners and Family Pensioners in Lr.No. 2595/Finance (Pay Cell) / 2009-1, dated 23.01.09. But in the Pension Revision G.O., no revision has been indicated to them. It may kindly be clarified how their pension has to be revised and the interim Arrears adjusted.	Orders in this regard will be issued separately.

2.	It is presumed that the pensioners	Presumption is confirmed.
	who were re-employed during the	However, revision of pension shall
	period from 01.01.06 to 31.05.09 are	be made after cessation of the re-
	not eligible for revision of pension and	employment period.
	consequent arrears for the re-	
	employed period.	

3. Clarification sought for

The method of revising the pension for those Pensioners drawing 1/3rd pension (Pensioners like TANSI, etc.)

Pension received in the Pre revised pay (1)		Revised Pension as Finance (P.C) Dept. (2)	
	Rs.		
Full Pension	2316	Full Pension	5235
1/3 rd Pension	772	1/3 rd Pension	1745
Dearness Pension	1158	Dearness Pension	
Dearness Allowance @ 64%	2224	Dearness Allowance @ 22%	1152
TOTAL	4154	TOTAL	2897

From the above, if pension is fixed as per G.O. there is reduction in this fixation than the amount already drawn. Hence it is requested to clarify how this pension has to be revised for these categories of $1/3^{rd}$ pension.

Clarification

Orders in this regard will be issued separately.

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4.	In the G.O. 235 Finance (Pay Cell) Department, dated 01.06.09 para 2 (i) states that all the existing pensioners who retired from posts on standard pay scales and family pensioners shall be allowed increase in pension @ 40% of basic pension. As such it is presumed that UGC pensioners are not eligible for revision of their pension / FP as per this Government Order. This point may kindly be clarified.	Orders have been issued in G.O. (Ms) No. 350, Higher Education Department, dated 9.9.2009
5.	In G.O.No. 174 Finance (Pay Cell) Department dated 21 st April 1998, in para 2 (ii) (a) it was stated that "the revised pension / family pension will be computed by adding the following: (a) Basic pension (pension before commutation) including personal pension. But in G.O. 235 dated 1.6.09 there is no mention about how to treat the personal pension. It may kindly be clarified whether in cases where pensioner is drawing personal pension the same may be included for fixation of revised pension.	Yes. Basic pension (pension before commutation) including personal pension shall be taken into account for fixation of revised pension as per G.O.(Ms) No. 235, Finance (Pay Cell) Department, dated 1.6.2009. However, the personal pension shall not be continued in the revised pension.

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6.	In Annexure IV of the G.O. 235, the following scale of pay has not been given in the Ready Recokoner. (a) For pre-revised scale of pay with effect from 1.6.88 – 1600-50-2300-60-2600, two type of scales was ordered for Superintendents one from 1.1.96 and one from 1.9.98, respectively Rs. 5300-150-8300 and 5500-175-9000. But in the Annexure only the scale of pay of Rs. 5300-150-8300 alone is mentioned. Therefore it is requested to indicate the equivalent scale for Rs. 5500-175-9000. This is required to fix the pension at 50%, 30% as the case may be for those retired in this scale of pay. (b) Similarly, it may please be clarified as to whether the retired Ministerial Superintendents of pre 1.1.96 whose scale has been upgraded as Rs. 7000-225-11500 with effect from 12.12.07 (Revised pay band of Rs. 9300-34800 + GP Rs. 4800) are eligible for minimum pension of Rs. 7,050/- for the full service period, with effect from 12.12.07.	No. Corresponding revised scale of pay with reference to the pre-revised scale of pay as on 1.1.2006 alone shall be taken into account for the purpose of computing revised pension. In such cases alone, revision of pension with reference to para 2 (vi) of the G.O. (Ms) No. 235, Finance (Pay Cell), dated 1.6.2009 shall be made.
7.	It may kindly be clarified whether those who are drawing Provisional Pension due to i) administrative delay or ii) permitted to retire without prejudice are eligible for enhanced provisional pension and arrears.	Clarification in this regard has already been issued vide Government Letter No. 41473/Finance (Pay Cell)/ 2009-1, dated 31.7.2009.
8.	For some retired employees retired between 1.1.06 to 31.5.09, due to administrative reasons pension proposals are sent only now to the Accountant General, the Accountant General will authorize the pension / CVP / DCRG directly in the revised scales only. In such cases the Pension sanctioning authority may be advised to send the pension proposals to the Accountant General indicating prerevised and revised scales of pay for the above benefits, so as to ascertain the actual quantum of arrears to be paid in 3 annual installments. The Accountant General may be requested to incorporate the quantum of benefits in both the pre-revised and the revised scales.	Clarification in this regard has already been issued vide Government Letter No. 44880/Finance (Pay Cell)/2009-1, dated 04.08.2009.
9.	As per para 11 of the Pension Government Order, it has been stated that if the interim arrears on pension could not be adjusted against the pension arrears accrued from 1.1.09, the Pension Pay Officer / Treasury	The Clarifications issued in Government Letter No. 34124/Finance (Pay Cell)/2009-1, dated 26.6.2009 under point No. 6 holds good.

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	Officer / Sub-Treasury Officer shall wait till the revision of pension of the pensioner concerned based on the revised pay scales and take appropriate action thereafter for adjustment of Interim Arrears". In this connection, it is felt this process would cause hardship to the pensioners. Hence it is requested to modify the above orders to the effect that the entire Interim Arrears shall be adjusted on pension side by the Pension Disbursing Authorities.	

Yours faithfully,

for Principal Secretary to Government

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

The Pension Pay Officer, Chennai – 6.

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The Chairman, Tamil Nadu Public Service Commissioner, Chennai – 2

The Registrar General, High Court, Chennai – 104.

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