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दिनांक / Date :

To

The Sr.Deputy Accountant General (Pension)
O/o the Accountant General (A&E)
Andhrapradesh II
Hyderabad
Pin - 500 004.

Sir,

Sub:- Grant of Special Festival Allowance to Kerala State
Pensioners/Family Pensioners for the year 2003-09
Ref:- GO(P) 345/2009/Fin dated 14.8.2009.

Copy of Government order referred to above sanctioning Special Festival Allowance to Kerala State Pensioners / family pensioners is sent herewith.

As regards Kerala pensioners drawing pension from outside the state, sufficient number of copies of the GO will be sent by the state Government direct to the Accountant General/Pay and Accounts Officer. *The Accountants General of other States shall collect additional copies of the Government Order, if any needed, from Government of Kerala in the Finance Department.* The Government Order is also available in the Government website www.finance.kerala.gov.in

Yours faithfully,

Susan Thomas
Sr. Accounts Officer



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

AD HOC BONUS AND SPECIAL FESTIVAL ALLOWANCE 2008-2009 TO STATE
GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES AND PENSIONERS—ORDERS ISSUED

FINANCE (LOANS) DEPARTMENT

G. O. (P) No. 345/2009/Fin. Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 14th August, 2009.

Read:—G. O. (P) No. 390/2008/Fin. dated 30-8-2008.

ORDER

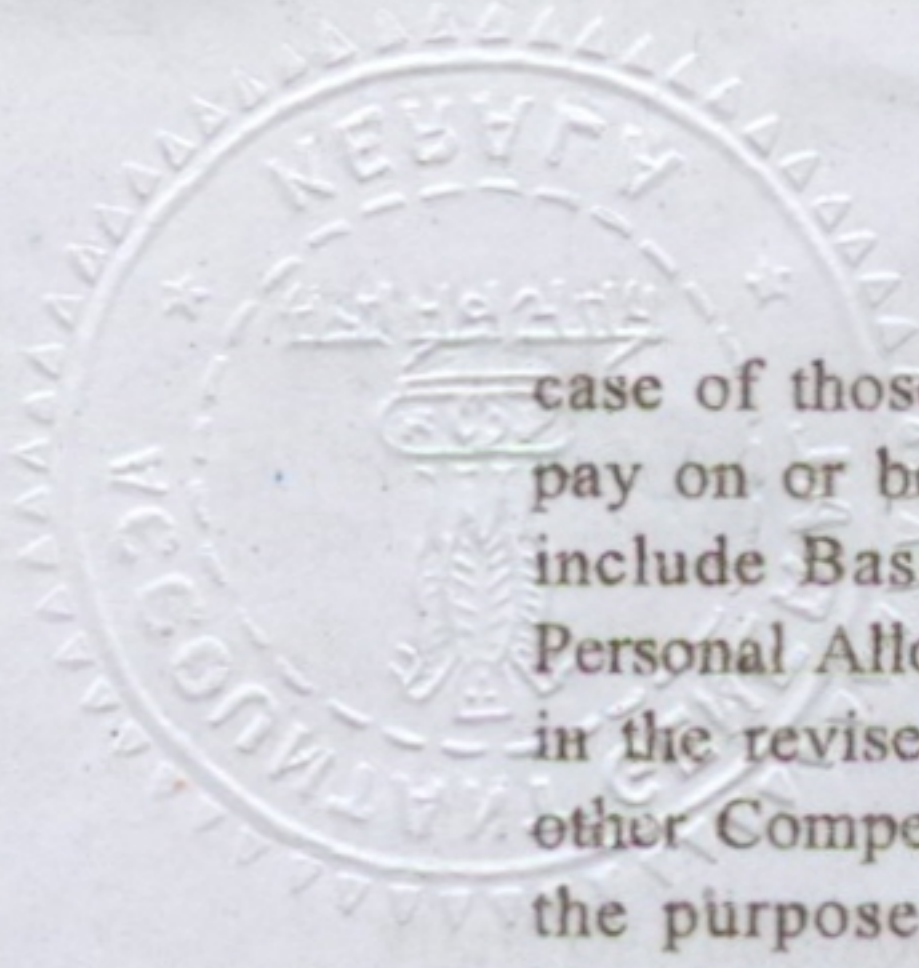
Government are pleased to sanction Ad hoc Bonus/Special Festival Allowance to the State Government Employees, Employees of Aided Educational Institutions, Full-time Contingent Employees and other categories of Staff subject to the conditions specified in this order.

Ad hoc Bonus

2. All State Government employees (including Personal Staff of Ministers, Speaker, Deputy Speaker, Leader of the Opposition and Chief Whip), All India Service Officers working in connection with the affairs of the State, Employees of the Aided Educational Institutions, Staff of the Local Bodies and employees of Panchayat Raj Institutions etc. drawing total emoluments up to and including Rs. 9,000 per month in the Revised and Pre-revised scale of pay as on 31-3-2009 will be paid Ad hoc Bonus for the year 2008-2009 at the rate of one month's emoluments for March, 2009 before the ensuing Onam Festival subject to the following conditions:

- (i) The total emoluments of the employees should not exceed Rs. 9,000 per month as on 31-3-2009.
- (ii) For those drawing emoluments of more than Rs. 2,500 per month and not exceeding Rs. 9,000 per month, the Ad hoc Bonus will be calculated as if the emoluments were Rs. 2,500 per month. In the

GCPT. 4/2785/2009/DTP.



case of those who have opted to come over to the revised scales of pay on or before 31-3-2009, the term "emoluments" will mean and include Basic Pay, Personal Pay, Special Pay, Special Allowance, Personal Allowance, and Dearness Allowance at 55% of the basic pay in the revised scale, but will not include House Rent Allowance and other Compensatory Allowances. The rate of Dearness Allowance for the purpose of this order will be that sanctioned vide G. O. (P) No. 211/09/Fin. dated 2-6-2009 (55%). The personal allowance sanctioned to protect drop in Dearness Allowance in Special Pay will also be reckoned as emoluments for computing Ad hoc bonus. In the case of employees who were on leave without allowance, half pay leave, study leave or leave not due during the month of March, 2009, their Ad hoc Bonus will be calculated based on the emoluments last drawn by them before proceeding on leave.

3. In the case of those who have opted to remain in the Pre-revised scale even on 31-3-2009, the term "emoluments" shall mean and include Basic Pay, Personal Pay, Special Pay, Personal Allowance and Dearness Allowance at 114% of the basic pay in the pre-revised scale vide G. O. (P) No. 211/09/Fin. dated 2-6-2009.

4. The Ad hoc Bonus will be admissible to such employees who were in service on 31-3-2009 and have at least 6 months continuous service during the financial year 2008-2009. Those who have retired or even relieved from service on or before 31-3-2009 and had put in 6 months continuous service during the financial year 2008-2009 will also be eligible for Ad hoc Bonus/Special Festival Allowance as the case may be.

5. The following categories will also be eligible to receive Ad hoc bonus:

- (a) The N. M. R. and permanent workers/labourers and seasonal workers of all departments including those working in Agricultural farms, Seed farms, Regional Workshop etc. (for calculation of Ad hoc Bonus variable dearness allowance will also be taken into account in the case of employees drawing variable dearness allowance).
- (b) The employees of Government Presses will be given option either to draw bonus as admissible to other Government employees as per these orders or the performance allowance (including ex-gratia allowance if any) payable to industrial workers as usual. No revision of options will be allowed if the employee exercises any one of the above options.

- (c) The provisional employees who got regular appointments through the P.S.C. without break, provided they were in service on 31-3-2009 and have at least 6 months continuous service during the financial year 2008-2009.
- (d) Teachers who were in Aided School service and got regular appointments in Government Schools through the P.S.C. without break, provided they were in service on 31-3-2009 and have at least 6 months continuous service during the financial year 2008-09.
- (e) Part-time Teachers of Education Department who are drawing pay in a scale of pay.
- (f) Regular employees who were under suspension during the whole, or part of the year 2008-2009 will be eligible for Ad hoc Bonus/ Special Festival Allowance provided they have been reinstated in service on or before the date of issue of this order and the period of suspension is treated as duty or eligible leave and have drawn full salary for that period.
- (g) Government employees who are working in Corporations/Public Sector Undertakings or Boards on deputation basis provided they are otherwise eligible for Ad hoc Bonus. Ad hoc Bonus will be paid to them at the rate admissible to them had they continued in the parent Department.

Special Festival Allowance

6. The following categories of employees who are not eligible to draw bonus will be paid Special Festival Allowance @ Rs. 1250:

- (i) Those employees drawing total emoluments above Rs. 9,000 in the revised and in the pre-revised scale per month on 31-3-2009 and who are not eligible to draw Ad hoc Bonus in terms of Para 2 to 5 above.
- (ii) All regular/temporary employees including personal staff of Ministers, Speaker, Deputy Speaker, Leader of the Opposition and Chief Whip and who joined service after 1-10-2008 and who are in service on the date of issue of this order and all regular P.S.C. hands who joined duty before fourth Onam of 2009.
- (iii) Teachers deputed for training from Aided/Government Schools who are eligible for Onam Advance under Article 250 of the Kerala Financial Code Volume I.

- (iv) Re-employed pensioners.
- (v) Employees on contract appointments.
- (vi) Provisional hands recruited through Employment Exchange who are in service on the day before the First Onam (1-9-2009) but whose services are not terminated before the Fourth Onam (4-9-2009) irrespective of their length service.
- (vii) All the teaching and non-teaching staff of Aided Anglo-Indian Schools which have not been broughtt under the direct payment system.
- (viii) Staff of the Sri Chitra Home.
- (ix) Honorary Physicians of Government Ayurveda Colleges.
- (x) Honorary Sisters in Government Hospitals.
- (xi) Chainmen of the Revenue Department on daily wages.
- (xii) Permanent labourers in Government Departments.
- (xiii) Full-time contingent employees in Government Department, Local Bodies and the contract employees of Kerala House, New Delhi. Those who have put in 6 months continuous service on 31-3-2009 will have option to claim either Ad hoc Bonus or Special Festival Allowance.
- (xiv) Editor and Reporters of Indian Law Reports (Kerala Series).
- (xv) Government Pleaders and Additional Government Pleaders.

7. The following categories of staff will be paid Special Festival Allowance @ Rs. 475:

- (i) Pollination workers who are in the list of Agriculture Department and the workers under the scheme of spraying to control leaf rot disease of coconut palms implemented through Panchayat/Municipalities/Corporations who are on the rolls of Agriculture Department and are now employed by Local Bodies under instructions from the Agriculture Department.
- (ii) Cattle improvement assistants in the Dairy Development Department.
- (iii) Public Counsel.
- (iv) Life Guards of Tourism Department who are on daily wages.
- (v) Family Planning Voluntary Workers who have worked at least 30 days during the period from the last Onam holidays to the ensuing Onam holidays and Part-time contingent employees on daily wages recruited from the category of Family Planning Voluntary Promoters of Trained Dais.

- (vi) 'Scheduled Tribes Promoters' (ST Promoters) working in the Scheduled Tribes Development Department and Scheduled Caste Promoters (SC Promoters) working in the Scheduled Caste Development Department.
- (vii) Employees on daily wages who are in service before the first Onam (i.e. 1-9-2009) and whose services are not terminated before the fourth Onam i.e. 4-9-2009).
- (viii) Persons acting as substitutes in the place of regular employees in Government Departments, Farms and Local Bodies and the Casual Labourers/C.L.R. Workers including those in Irrigation Department/H.R. Workers of Irrigation Department provided they have put in 30 days work during the last one year beginning from the last Onam holidays to the ensuing Onam holidays. However, those who have put in a minimum of 200 days work during the period will be eligible for 30 days wages as Ad hoc Bonus and those who have put in less than 200 days work but more than 30 days work shall be eligible for Ad hoc bonus proportionate to the days worked by them subject to a minimum of Rs. 475. In the case of Casual Workers, C.L.R. Workers and H. R. Workers who have been regularized in services, the period of eligibility as indicated above will also include the period of their service before regularization.
- (ix) The Volunteers of Attappady Hill Area Development Society.
- (x) Part-time contingent employees including those working in Aided Educational Institutions will be eligible for either Special Festival Allowance or Ad hoc Bonus whichever is higher.
- (xi) Guest Lecturers in Educational Institutions who have worked at least 200 hours during the financial year 2008-09.

8. The following categories of employees will be paid Special Festival Allowance at the rates noted against each:

<i>Category</i>	<i>Amount (Rs.)</i>
(i) The patient employees of the Leprosy Hospitals	550
(ii) The Anganwadi/Balawadi teachers, workers under the Social Welfare Department, Rural Development Department, Scheduled Caste Development Department and Scheduled Tribe Development Department	500

<i>Category</i>	<i>Amount (Rs.)</i>
(iii) Anganwadi/Balawadi Helpers and Ayahs	450
(iv) The Conveners of Balawadi/Anganwadi and Feeding Conveners of the upgraded regular feeding centres of the Rural Development Department	300
(v) Sweepers on consolidated remuneration	300
(vi) The Kashaya Servants of Ayurveda Dispensaries	250

Pensioners

9. (i) Service pensioners who are not eligible for Bonus or Festival Allowance as indicated in Para 4 and 6 above will be paid a Special Festival Allowance of Rs. 350.
- (ii) Family Pensioners will be paid Special Festival Allowance of Rs. 250.
- (iii) Ex-gratia Pensioners will be paid Special Festival Allowance of Rs. 250.
- (iv) Personal Staff Pensioners will be paid Special Festival Allowance of Rs. 250.

*Note:—*The Special Festival Allowance under any one of the above schemes alone will be paid, if a pensioner comes within the purview of Para (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) above. Similarly, a serving employee who is in receipt of Ad hoc bonus or Special Festival Allowance will not be eligible for Special Festival Allowance under item 9 (ii) above.

- (v) Special Festival Allowance for retired Leprosy Patient Employees and Part-time Contingent Pensioners will be fixed at Rs. 250.

10. The Categories of employees mentioned below will not be eligible to receive Ad hoc bonus/Special Festival Allowance:

- (i) Those who are eligible for bonus, ex-gratia or such other payments in lieu of ad hoc bonus.
- (ii) Those who were on leave without allowance, as on 31st March, 2009 to take up employment abroad or within India or to join their spouses in India or abroad.

11. The Ad hoc bonus/special festival allowance will be drawn before 31-3-2010. The expenditure will be debited to the head of account from which the pay and allowances/wages/pension of the individual concerned is drawn. In the case of employees of Local Bodies, the expenditure on account of the payment of Ad hoc bonus/Special Festival Allowance will be met from the funds of the respective Local Bodies.

12. In the case of employees who are on deputation/foreign service as on 31-3-2009 and if their service in the parent department was more than six months during the year 2008-09 the bonus admissible will be drawn and disbursed by the parent department.

13. Self drawing officers may draw the Ad hoc bonus/Special Festival Allowance without authorization from the Accountant General provided for in Note 2 under Rule 165(d) of the Kerala Treasury Code Volume I.

14. Payment of Ad hoc bonus/Special Festival Allowance for 2008-09 in the case of State Service Pensioners will be made with effect from 24-8-2009 to 25-8-2009.

15. Payment of Ad hoc bonus/Special Festival Allowance for 2008-09 in the case of other employees in service will be made with effect from 26-8-2009.

By order of the Governor,

L. C. GOYAL,

Additional Chief Secretary (Finance).

To

The Principal Accountant General (Audit), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.
 The Accountant General (A&E), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.
 All Heads of Departments and Offices.
 All Departments (All Sections) of the Secretariat.
 The Secretary, Kerala Public Service Commission (with C.L.).
 The Registrar, University of Kerala/Cochin/Calicut/Kannur (with C.L.).
 The Registrar, Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam (with C.L.).
 The Registrar, Kerala Agriculture University, Thrissur (with C.L.).

- The Registrar, Sanskrit University, Kalady, Ernakulam (with C.L.).
- The Secretary, Kerala State Electricity Board (with C.L.).
- The Managing Director, Kerala State Road Transport Corporation (with C.L.).
- The Registrar, High Court of Kerala, Ernakulam (with C.L.).
- All Principal Secretaries/Secretaries/Special Secretaries/Additional Secretaries/
Joint Secretaries/Deputy Secretaries and Under Secretaries to
Government.
- The Secretary to Governor.
- The Private Secretaries, Chief Minister and other Ministers.
- The Private Secretaries to Speaker, Deputy Speaker.
- The Private Secretary to Leader of Opposition and Government Chief Whip.
- The Director of Public Relations, Thiruvananthapuram.
- The Additional/Deputy Secretary to the Chief Secretary.
- The Reserve Bank of India, Government and Bank Accounts (NB Section),
Bandra (E), Bombay (250 copies).
- Head Offices of all Nationalized Banks (250 copies).
- The Chief Manager, Finance and Accounts, State Bank of Travancore,
Thiruvananthapuram.
- The Regional Manager, Union Bank of India, Thiruvananthapuram/Ernakulam.
- The Regional Manager, Union Bank of India, Ernakulam.
- The Assistant Divisional Manager, Central Bank of India,
Thiruvananthapuram.
- Senior Manager, Canara Bank, Thiruvananthapuram.
- The Senior Manager, Circle Office (Annex), Canara Bank,
Thiruvananthapuram.
- The Chief Regional Manager, State Bank of India, Thiruvananthapuram.
- The Divisional Manager, Syndicate Bank, Thiruvananthapuram.
- The Regional Manager, Indian Bank, Thiruvananthapuram.
- The Regional Manager, Indian Overseas Bank, Thiruvananthapuram.
- The Regional Manager, Vijaya Bank, Thiruvananthapuram.
- The Director of Treasuries, Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.
- The District Treasuries/Sub Treasuries.
- The Accountant General (A&E), Tamil Nadu, Chennai.
- The Accountant General (A&E), Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
- The Accountant General (A&E), Karnataka, Bangalore.
- The Accountant General (A&E), Maharashtra, Mumbai.
- The Accountant General (A&E), Rajasthan, Jaipur.
- The Accountant General (A&E), Missoram, Iswal.

The Accountant General (A&E), Gujarat, Ahammadabad.
The Accountant General (A&E), Hariyana, Chandigarh.
The Accountant General (A&E), Jammu and Kashmir, Srinagar.
The Accountant General (A&E), Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.
The Accountant General (A&E), Goa, Panaji.
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The Accountant General (A&E), Madhya Pradesh, Gwalior.
The Accountant General (A&E), Orissa, Bhubanaswar.
The Accountant General (A&E), Uttar Pradesh, Allahabad.
The Accountant General (A&E), Bihar, Patna.
The Accountant General (A&E), West Bengal, Calcutta.
The Accountant General (A&E), Utharanchal, Dehradun.
The Accountant General (A&E), Assam, Dispur, Guaghati.
The Accountant General (A&E), Manipur, Imphal.
The Accountant General (A&E), Tripura, Agarthala.
The Accountant General (A&E), Chattisgarh, Raipur.
The Accountant General (A&E), Nagaland, Kohima.
The Accountant General (A&E), Sikkim, Gangtok.
The Accountant General (A&E), Meghalaya, Shillong.
The Accountant General (A&E), Jharkhand, Ranchi.
The Principal Accounts Officer, Pondichery.
The Principal Accounts Officer, Delhi Administration, Vikas Bhavan,
New Delhi.
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OFFICE OF THE ACCOUNTANT GENERAL (A&E),
KERALA, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

No.PM/2/9-7/09-10/222

Dated: 27.8.2009

From

**The Accountant General(A&E),
Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram**

To

**The Director of Treasuries,
Thiruvananthapuram.**

The District/Sub Treasury Officer
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Sir,

**Subject:- Grant of Special Festival Allowance to Kerala State Pensioners/
Family Pensioners for the year 2008-09**

Government of Kerala, vide GO(P) No.345/2009/Fin dated 14th August 2009 have sanctioned Special Festal Allowance of Rs.350/- (Rupees Three Hundred and fifty only) to the Service pensioners and Rs.250/- (Rupees Two Hundred and fifty only) to the family pensioners and Rs.250/- (Rupees Two Hundred and fifty only) to Ex-gratia pensioners and Rs.250/- (Rupees Two Hundred fifty only) to Personal Staff Pensioners for the year 2008-09. The allowance is admissible only to those Kerala State Service Pensioners/family pensioners whose pension commenced from a date prior to 1.4.2008 and who are not eligible for bonus, ex-gratia or such other allowances as per the above Government Order. If a service pensioner is also in receipt of family pension, the special festival allowance is payable only on the basis of one of those pensions. Similarly, a serving employee who is in receipt of adhoc bonus or Special Festival Allowance will not be eligible for Special Festival Advance admissible to family pensioners. The amount is to be disbursed to the eligible pensioners/family pensioners before 31.3.2010. In the case of pensioners who retired during 2008-09, a self-declaration to the effect that they were not eligible for bonus or Special festival Allowance by virtue of their service during 2008-09 may be insisted upon before arranging payment.

Retired Leprosy patient employees and part time contingent pensioners are also sanctioned Special Festival Allowance of Rs.250/- (Rupees Two Hundred and fifty only) for 2008-09

You are therefore requested to issue necessary directions to all Pension Disbursing Authorities under your jurisdiction to disburse the Special Festival Allowance as mentioned above immediately on the authority of this letter.

This allowance is admissible to all categories of State Pensioners/Family Pensioners except to the following:

1. All India Service pensioners/Family pensioners
2. Re-employed pensioners
3. Pensioners who are receiving Pro-rata pension

Yours faithfully,

Susan Thomas
Sr. Accounts Officer.