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GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM

ORDERS BY THE GOVERNOR

PENSION & PUBLIC GRIEVANCES DEPARTMENT

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

The 12th July, 2017

No.PPG(P)140/2017/9.- In pursuance of the Government decisions on the recommendations of The Assam Pay and Productive Pay Commission, 2017 announced under Government Resolution No.FPC.1/2017/Pt./1, dated 17th March, 2017 as published in the ExtraOrdinary Issue No.74 of the Assam Gazette dated 17/03/2017, sanction of the Governor is hereby accorded to the regulation/revision of pension/family pension with effect from **1st April, 2016** in respect of pre 01/04/2016 pensioners/family pensioners in the manner indicated herein in succeeding paragraphs.

1. These orders shall apply to all pensioners /family pensioners who were drawing /entitled to pension/family pension on 31/03/2016 as per provisions of The Assam Services (Pension) Rules, 1969 as amended.
2. In these orders following terms are used in the sense explained herein below;
 - (a) **"Existing pensioner/Family pensioner"** means a pensioner/family pensioner who was drawing or entitled to pension/family pension on 31/03/2016 under The Assam Services (Pension) Rules, 1969 as amended.
 - (b) **"Existing pension"** means basic pension inclusive of commuted portion, if any, due on 31/03/2016. It covers all classes of pension under The Assam Services (Pension) Rules, 1969 as amended.
 - (c) **"Existing Family pension"** means the basic family pension drawn or entitled to as on 31/03/2016 under The Assam Services (Pension) Rules, 1969 as amended.

3. Revision of pension/Family pension:

- a. The pension/Family pension of existing pensioners/family pensioners i.e. pre 01/04/2016 pensioners/family pensioners shall be revised with effect from 01/04/2016 in the following manner.
The revised Basic pension/family pension on 01/04/2016 of the pensioners/family pensioners who were drawing pension/family pension on 31/03/2016 under The Assam Services (Pension) Rules, 1969 as amended shall be fixed by multiplying the existing pension/family pension by a factor of 2.48. The amount so computed shall be rounded off to the next multiple of Rs.10/- and will be the Basic Pension for all purposes with effect from 01/04/2016.

b. The above computation is subject to the following conditions.

- (i) The revised Basic Pension in no case shall be lower than 50% (fifty) percent of the sum of minimum of the pay in the Pay Band and the Grade Pay thereon corresponding to the pre revised pay scale/ Pay Band from which the pensioner had retired. This is applicable to those pensioners who retired on or before 31/3/2016 and after completing 25/33 years of qualifying service as the case may be. It will be reduced to pro-rata where the pensioner had less than the required length of qualifying service mentioned above.
- (ii) The revised pension/family pension computed at 3 (a) above in no case shall be less than Rs.5500/- per month and more than Rs 65000/- per month.
- (iii) Pension for the purpose of this calculation will include commuted portion of pension if so commuted.
- (iv) Payment of revised pension shall be subject to exclusion of Commuted portion till the restoration is due.

4. Additional Quantum of Pension:

- (i) The basic pension of pensioners (excluding family pensioners) shall be increased by 20% as and when he/she attains the age of 80 years. This shall be calculated on the basic pension drawn by the pensioner on the date of attainment of 80 years of age.
- (ii) The basic pension of pensioners who have already attained or crossed 80 years of age on 01/04/2016, will be calculated on the basic pension drawn on 01/04/2016.
- (iii) Dearness Relief is also admissible on additional quantum of pension. The additional quantum of pension may be calculated and paid by the Pension Disbursing Authorities as a separate element, keeping necessary note in both halves of PPO. No further orders from pension issuing authority is required. This will be effective only from 01/04/2016 without any arrear.

For example, in case where a pensioner is 80 years of age or more and his/her revised pension is Rs.10,000/- pm, the pension will be shown as (i) Basic Pension =Rs.10,000 and (ii) Additional Pension = Rs.2000 pm.

5. The existing pension/family pension shall be revised and computed as per the instructions given in Para 3. (a) of this OM and **no Ready Reckoner** in this regard will be issued further.

6. Commutation of Pension:

Fresh commutation/residual commutation will be admissible on the revised pension as the case may be. Other provisions of the Assam Services (commutation of Pension) Rule 1965 shall remain unchanged until further orders.

7. Special Family pension:

The existing provisions of the Special Family Pension shall continue until further orders.

8. Dearness Relief:

The rates of Dearness Relief to the Government Pensioners/Family Pensioners and Extra-ordinary Pensioners are indicated below;

- a. From 01/07/2016; 2%
- b. From 01/01/2017; 4%.

9. Payment of Arrear:

Arrear of revision of pension/family pension with effect from 01/04/2016 to 30/09/2016 authorised by the Accountant General, Assam/Director of Pension, Assam may be calculated and paid by the pension disbursing

authorities including selected Public Sector Banks immediately in the first quarter of 2017-18 and the balance arrears will be paid later on after issue of necessary govt. notification in this regard. The govt. Notification **No. FPC.9/2017/1 dtd 23rd March 2017** may please be referred to in this regard.

10. Expenditure on account of revision of pension/family pension, revised rates of Dearness Relief is debitable to the appropriate Budget Head to which it relates.
11. The Assam Services (Pension) Rules, 1969 shall be deemed to have been amended by these orders contained herein. Formal amendment will be issued in due course.
12. **Power of interpretation of rules:** In case of any doubt/confusion relating to the interpretation of these rules, it shall be referred to the P & P G Department, Government of Assam whose decision thereon shall be final.

This issues with the concurrence of Finance (PRU) Department conveyed vide their U/O No. FPC. 93/2017 dtd 30/06/2017.

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