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*Subject : Grant of Dearness Relief with effect from 01-01-2018, 01-07-2018, 01-01-2019, 01-07-2019, 01-01-2020 and 01-07-2020 to the Kerala Government service pensioners/family pensioners and pensioners/family pensioners coming under UGC/AICTE/ Medical Education Scheme as well as pensioners/family pensioners drawing pension/family pension at Central rates.*

In continuation to this office circular No. Pen. Co-ordn./Kerala/Vol.VIII/DR/99 dated 24-08-2018, this is to state that the Government of Kerala in their GO ( P ) Nos. 44/2019/Fin. dated 04-04-2019 and 25/2021/Fin. dated 08-02-2021 has revised the rate of dearness relief payable to their different categories of pension/family pension as under :

(i) In case of service pensioners/family pensioners whose pension/family pension has been revised as per GO (P) No. 9/2016/Fin. dated 20-01-2016 (circulated vide No. Pen. Co-ordn./Kerala/Vol.-VIII/Revision/47 dated 27-06-2016) the revised rates of dearness relief will be as below :-

<i>Date of effect</i>	<i>Rate of dearness relief per month</i>
01-01-2018	17% of pension/family pension
01-07-2018	20% of pension/family pension
01-01-2019	23% of pension/family pension
01-07-2019	28% of pension/family pension
01-01-2020	32% of pension/family pension
01-07-2020	36% of pension/family pension

(ii) In case of UGC pensioners/family pensioners whose pension/family pension has been revised as per GO (P) No. 151/2020/Fin. dated 05-11-2020 (circulated vide No. Pen. Co-ordn./Kerala/Vol.-VIII/Revision-UGC/143 dated 03-03-2021) the revised rates of dearness relief will be as below :-

<i>Date of effect</i>	<i>Rate of dearness relief per month</i>
01-01-2019	12% of pension/family pension
01-07-2019	17% of pension/family pension
01-01-2020	21% of pension/family pension
01-07-2020	25% of pension/family pension

(iii) In case of UGC pensioners/family pensioners whose pension/family pension has not been revised as per GO (P) No. 151/2020/Fin. dated 05-11-2020 (aforesaid circular dated 03-03-2021) the revised rates of dearness relief will be as below :-

<i>Date of effect</i>	<i>Rate of dearness relief per month</i>
01-01-2019	154% of pension/family pension
01-07-2019	164% of pension/family pension
01-01-2020	174% of pension/family pension
01-07-2020	182% of pension/family pension

(iv) In case of service pensioners/family pensioners whose pension/family pension has not undergone revision as per G O (P) No. 9/2016/Fin. dated 20-01-2016 (this office circular dated 27-06-2016 mentioned above) the revised rates of dearness relief will be as below :-

<i>Date of effect</i>	<i>Rate of dearness relief per month</i>
01-01-2018	115% of pension/family pension
01-07-2018	121% of pension/family pension
01-01-2019	127% of pension/family pension
01-07-2019	137% of pension/family pension
01-01-2020	147% of pension/family pension
01-07-2020	155% of pension/family pension

(v) In case of service pensioners/family pensioners whose pension/family pension has not undergone revision as per G O (P) No. 87/2011/Fin. dated 28-02-2011 (circulated under No. Pen. Co-ordn./Kerala/Vol.-VII/Revision/94 dated 01-08-2011), pensioners/family pensioners coming under UGC/AICTE/Medical Education Schemes who retired prior to 01-07-2004 and whose pension/family pension has been revised as per G O (P) No. 81/2007/Fin. dated 28-02-2007 (circulated vide No. Pen. Co-ordn./Kerala/Vol.VI/DR & Prov. Rev./66 dated 02-07-2007) and whose pension has not undergone revision as per G O (P) No. 211/2011/Fin. dated 07-05-2011 (this office circular No. Pen. Co-ordn./Kerala/Vol.-VII/Revision-UGC/114 dated 30-08-2011) the revised rates of dearness relief will be as below :-

<i>Date of effect</i>	<i>Rate of dearness relief per month</i>
01-01-2018	265% of pension/family pension
01-07-2018	275% of pension/family pension
01-01-2019	286% of pension/family pension
01-07-2019	303% of pension/family pension
01-01-2020	320% of pension/family pension
01-07-2020	334% of pension/family pension

(vi) In case of retired Kerala State Judicial Officers who are drawing dearness relief at Central rates and whose pension/family pension has not been revised as per G O Ms. No. 236/10/Home dated 02-11-2010 (this office circular No. Pen. Co-ordn./Kerala/Vol.VII/Rev-DIIA&MA/106 dated 23-08-2011) and the pensioners/family pensioners coming under UGC/AICTE/Medical Education Schemes who retired after 01-07-2004 and whose pension has been revised as per G O (P) No. 84/2007/Fin. dated 01-03-2007 and has not undergone revision as per G O (P) No. 211/2011/Fin. dated 07-05-2011 (aforesaid circular dated 30-08-2011), dearness relief will be payable as below :-

<i>Date of effect</i>	<i>Rate of dearness relief per month</i>
01-01-2018	274% of pension/family pension
01-07-2018	284% of pension/family pension
01-01-2019	295% of pension/family pension
01-07-2019	312% of pension/family pension
01-01-2020	329% of pension/family pension
01-07-2020	343% of pension/family pension



(vii) Pensioners/family pensioners whose pension has not undergone revision as per G O (P) No. 180/2006/Fin. dated 18-04-2006 (circulated vide No. Pen. Co-ordn./Kerala/Vol.-VI/Revision/178 dated 18-01-2007) and are drawing pension/family pension as per pension revision 1997 and in respect of pensioners coming under UGC/AICTE/Medical Education Schemes whose pension has not undergone revision as per G O (P) No. 81/2007/Fin. dated 28-02-2007 (circulated vide aforesaid circular dated 02-07-2007) or G O (P) No. 84/2007/Fin. dated 01-03-2007, dearness relief will be payable as below :-

<i>Date of effect</i>	<i>Rate of dearness relief per month</i>
01-01-2018	324% of pension/family pension
01-07-2018	334% of pension/family pension
01-01-2019	345% of pension/family pension
01-07-2019	362% of pension/family pension
01-01-2020	379% of pension/family pension
01-07-2020	393% of pension/family pension

This will be applicable only till such time as the date of effect of option for Pension Revision 2004, after which the dearness relief payable will be as indicated in para (iii) above and after the date of effect of option for Pension Revision 2009, dearness relief will be payable as indicated in para 1(ii) above.

2. In respect of Ex-Chairman and Members of Kerala Public Service Commission, rate of dearness relief will be revised with effect from 01-01-2018 as follows :-

<i>Category</i>	<i>Date of termination of service</i>	<i>Rate of dearness relief with effect from 01-01-2018, 01-07-2018, 01-01-2019, 01-07-2019, 01-01-2020 and 01-07-2020</i>
Chairman and Members who were appointed from outside Government service and whose pension structure was modified as per G.O. (P) No. 23/2017/GAD dated 21-08-2017	Prior to or after 01-01-2006	142%, 148%, 154%, 164%, 174% and 182% respectively of basic pension/family pension
Chairman and Members having prior service in Government and opted benefits of combined service	Prior to or on or after 01-01-2006	115%, 121%, 127%, 137%, 147% and 155% respectively of basic pension/family pension.

3. In respect of the teaching staff coming under UGC/AICTE/Medical Education Schemes who have changed over to revised UGC/AICTE scale from 01-01-2006 and for those retired thereafter and to all retired Kerala State Judicial Officers whose pension has been revised as per G O Ms. No. 236/10/Home dated 02-11-2010 (this office circular dated 23-08-2011 mentioned above), the rate of dearness relief will be revised as under :

<i>Date of effect</i>	<i>Rate of dearness relief per month</i>
01-01-2018	142% of pension/family pension
01-07-2018	148% of pension/family pension
01-01-2019	154% of pension/family pension
01-07-2019	164% of pension/family pension
01-01-2020	174% of pension/family pension
01-07-2020	182% of pension/family pension

The teaching staff coming under the UGC/AICTE/Medical Education Streams who have retired prior to 01-01-2006 and whose pension has been revised in terms of G O No. 211/2011/Fin. dated 07-05-2011 will also be eligible for dearness relief at the above rate.

4. Payment of dearness relief involving fraction of a rupee shall be rounded off to the next higher rupee.

5. Having been authorized by the office of the Accountant General (A&E), Kerala in their authority Nos. P19/II/DRSSA-050/KER-DR/2019-20/0777 dated 09-07-2019 and P19/IV/DRSSA-07/2020-21/ dated 20-09-2021, it is requested to make necessary arrangement for payment of dearness relief to all eligible Kerala Government pensioners/family pensioners of aforesaid categories at the rate and from the date mentioned above after proper adjustment.

6. The charges on this account should be debitable to the head "8793-I.S.S. A/cs.; Government of Kerala etc."

7. The relevant G Os are available in Government of Kerala website [www.finance.kerala.gov.in](http://www.finance.kerala.gov.in).

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