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OFFICE OF THE ACCOUNTANT GENERAL (A&E), WEST BENGAL TREASURY BUILDINGS, KOLKATA - 700 001.

Circular No. Pen. Co-ordn./Punjab/Vol.- VII/DR/186

Date: 08-02-2024

Subject: (i) Grant of Dearness Relief to the Punjab Government pensioners/family pensioners/extra ordinary pensioners with effect from 01-12-2023; and (ii) Payment of arrear of dearness relief to the pre-2006 Punjab Government pensioners/family pensioners with effect from 01-07-2015 to 31-12-2015.

In continuation to this office circular No. Pen. Co-ordn./Punjab/Vol.- VII/DR/99 dated 04-10-2023, this is to state that the Government of Punjab in their circular letter No. 03/01/2021-3FPPC/261 dated 20-12-2023 has sanctioned dearness relief to their pensioners/family pensioners at the rate and from the date as under:

| Date of effect | Rate of dearness relief per month |
|----------------|-------------------------------------|
| 01-12-2023 | 38% of basic pension/family pension |

- 2. Besides, in continuation to this office circular Nos. Pen. Co-ordn./Punjab/Vol.-VI/DR-rev.&un-rev/114 dated 27-10-2015 and Pen. Co-ordn./Punjab/Vol.- VI/DR-rev.&un-rev./148 dated 16-11-2017, this is to state that the Government of Punjab in their circular letter No. 03/01/2021-3FPPC(Part-1)/139 dated 24-05-2023 has released the arrear of dearness relief @ 6% (113% to 119%) with effect from 01-07-2015 to 31-12-2015 to their pre-2006 pensioners/family pensioners.
- 3. Having been authorised by the Accountant General (A&E), Punjab in their letter No. PEN-12/Imp. Order/23-24/7231-7231AI dated 18-01-2024 and PEN-12/Imp. Order/English Version/23-24/7142-7142AI dated 16-01-2024, it is requested to make necessary arrangement for payment of dearness relief @ 38% to all eligible Punjab Government pensioners/family pensioners with effect from 01-12-2023 after proper adjustment. It is also requested to make necessary arrangement for payment of arrear of dearness relief @ 6% (113% to 119%) with effect from 01-07-2015 to 31-12-2015 to their pre-2006 pensioners/family pensioners on their pre-revised pension/family pension.
- 4. The charges on this accounts are debitable to the head "8793-I.S.S.A/cs.; Government of Punjab etc."

Receipt of the circular may please be acknowledged.

Sr. Accounts Officer

Copy to:

- 1. Accountant General (A&E), Punjab, Sector 17E, Chandigarh 160 017.
- 2. All Treasury Officers in West Bengal.
- 3. Director of Treasuries and Accounts, Government of West Bengal, Mitra Building, 3rd floor, 8, Lyons Range, Kolkata-700 001.
- 4. OSD & Ex-officio Joint Secretary, Finance (e-governance group) Department, Government of West Bengal, Nabanna, 12th floor, Room No. 1205, 325 Sarat Chandra Chatterjee Road, PO Shibpur, Howrah 711 102.
- 5. BO-in-charge: PPA PP Pen-VI Pen-IV PPParty & PFC of this office.
- 6. AAO-in-charge: PPA PP Pen-VI Pen-IV PPParty & PFC of this office.
- 7. BO & AAO-in-charge of PenEDP with the request to send a scanned copy of the circular to DTA, West Bengal at dtawestbengal@gmail.com and iffns-wb@gov.in.
- 8. BO & AAO-in-charge of Admn. Hindi Cell with the request to translate the circular in Hindi.
- 9. BO & AAO-in-charge of AM, Legal Cell, ITSC & TIParty (uploaded in this office website in employees' login).