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

Circular No. Pen. Co-ordn./Andhra Pradesh/Vol.-VII/DR/25

Subject: Grant of dearness relief to the Andhra Pradesh Government pensioners/family pensioners with effect from 01-01-2023 and 01-07-2023.

Date: 29-04-2024

In continuation to this office circular No. Pen. Co-ordn./Andhra Pradesh/Vol.-VII/DR/10 dated 15-04-2024, this is to state that the Government of Andhra Pradesh in their G.O. Ms. Nos. 29 and 31 both dated 16-03-2024 has revised the rate of dearness relief sanctioned in their G.O.(P) No. 115 dated 22-10-2023 and circulated by this office vide aforesaid circular dated 15-04-2024 from 26.39% to 30.03% and 30.03% to 33.67% with effect from 01-01-2023 and 01-07-2023 respectively in respect of:-

- i) those who retired from service after 01-07-2018 and drawing pension in the Revised Pay Scales, 2022; and
- ii) those who retired prior to 01-07-2018 and whose pension was consolidated in the light of orders issued in the G.O.(P) No. 2 dated 17-01-2022 and circulated by this office circular No. Pen. Co-ordn./Andhra Pradesh/Vol.-VI/Revision/158 dated 14-12-2022.
- 2. Government of Andhra Pradesh has also revised the rate of dearness relief from 212% to 221% and 221% to 230% with effect from 01-01-2023 and 01-07-2023 respectively in respect of pensioners who retired while drawing UGC Pay Scales 2006 from 01-01-2006.
- 3. Government of Andhra Pradesh in their G.O.Ms.Nos. 126 dated 01-12-2023 and 26 dated 14-03-2024 has also revised the rate of dearness relief from 212% to 221% and 221% to 230% with effect from 01-01-2023 and 01-07-2023 respectively in respect of pensioners who drawing pension as per Justice E. Padmanabhan Committee report.
- 4. Government of Andhra Pradesh has further revised the rate of dearness relief from 38% to 42% and 42% to 46% with effect from 01-01-2023 and 01-07-2023 respectively in respect of pensioners who retired while drawing UGC Pay Scales 2016 from 01-01-2016.
  - 5. These orders are applicable to:
  - a) All Government pensioners in receipt of Service Pensions, Family Pensions under Revised Pension Rules, 1951, Andhra Pradesh Liberalised Pension Rules, 1961 and Andhra Pradesh Government Servants (Family Pension) Rules, 1964.
  - b) Teaching and non-teaching pensioners of Municipalities, Panchayat Raj Institutions and Aided Educational Institutions who are in receipt of pensions under the Andhra Pradesh Liberalised Pension Rules 1961 and Andhra Pradesh Govt. Servants (Family Pension) Rules 1964.
  - c) Teaching and non-teaching staff in Aided Educational Institutions in receipt of pensions under the Contributory Provident Fund-cum-Pension and Gratuity Rules 1961 and Andhra Pradesh Liberalised Pension Rules 1961.
  - d) Those drawing family pensions under the G O Ms. No. 22 dated 16-01-1971, G O Ms. No. 104 dated 13-04-1973 and G O Ms. No. 25 dated 02-02-1974.
  - e) Pensioners who are in receipt of Compassionate Pension under the rules for Compassionate Pensions and Gratuities in the Hyderabad Civil Services Rules.
  - f) Those in receipt of pensions under the Wound and Extraordinary Pension Rules.
  - g) Pensioners governed by Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980.
- 6. These orders are not applicable to the financial assistance grantees and others who are not getting dearness relief.
  - 7. The amount of dearness relief shall be rounded off to next higher rupee.

- 8. Having been authorized by the Principal Accountant General (A&E), Andhra Pradesh in their authority No. PAG(A&E)/AP/OGP/2024-25/342614 (SSA No. 16691) dated 08-04-2024, it is requested to make necessary arrangement for payment of dearness relief to the aforesaid Andhra Pradesh Government pensioners/family pensioners with effect from 01-01-2023 and 01-07-2023 at the rate mentioned herein after proper adjustment.
- 9. The charges on this accounts are debitable to the head "8793-I.S.S. A/cs.; Government of Andhra Pradesh etc."

Receipt of the circular may please be acknowledged.

Sr. Accounts Officer

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