



**FINANCE [Allowances] DEPARTMENT**

**G.O.Ms.No.232, Dated 27<sup>th</sup> April 2020**

*(Sarvari, Chithirai-14, Thiruvalluvar Aandu 2051)*

**ABSTRACT**

Economy in Expenditure – Measures to tide over the financial constraints in view of the severe fiscal crisis arising out of COVID-19 pandemic – Freezing of Dearness Allowance to State Government employees and Government pensioners/family pensioners at current rates till July 2021 - Orders – Issued.

**Read the following:-**

1. G.O.Ms.No.323, Finance [Allowances] Department, dated 17-10-2019.
2. G.O.Ms.No.324, Finance [Allowances] Department, dated 17-10-2019.
3. G.O.Ms.No.327, Finance [Pension] Department, dated 21-10-2019.
4. From the Government of India, Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure, New Delhi Office Memorandum No.1/1/2020-E-II(B), dated 23-04-2020.

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**ORDER:**

In the Government Order first read above, orders were issued sanctioning revised rate of Dearness Allowance to State Government employees at the rate of 17 percent with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019 following the orders issued by the Government of India and in the Government Order second read above, orders were issued for another ad-hoc increase to employees drawing consolidated pay / fixed pay / Honorarium. In the Government Order third read above, orders were also issued sanctioning revised rate of Dearness Allowance to State Government pensioners/family pensioners at the rate of 17 percent with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019 following the orders issued by the Government of India.

2. The Government of India, in its Office Memorandum fourth read above, has directed that in view of the crisis arising out of COVID-19, the additional installment of Dearness Allowance payable to Central Government employees and Dearness Relief to Central Government pensioners, due from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2020 shall not be paid. The additional installments of Dearness Allowance and Dearness Relief due from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2020 and 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021 shall also not be paid. However, Dearness Allowance and Dearness Relief at current rates will continue to be paid. As and when the decision to release the future installment of Dearness Allowance and Dearness Relief due from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2021 is taken by the Government, the rates of Dearness Allowance and Dearness Relief as effective from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2020, 1<sup>st</sup> July 2020 and 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021 will be restored prospectively and will be subsumed in the cumulative revised rate effective from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2021. No arrears for the period from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2020 till 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021 shall be paid.

3. The Government of Tamil Nadu has adopted the rate of Dearness Allowance to the State Government employees and Pensioners/Family Pensioners as and when announced by the Government of India to its employees and pensioners/family pensioners.

4. Following the orders issued by the Government of India and in view of the severe fiscal crisis arising out of COVID-19 pandemic, the Government has decided to adopt the decision of the Government of India for State Government employees, teachers and Pensioners/Family Pensioners for freezing the Dearness Allowance at current rates till July 2021. The additional installment of Dearness Allowance payable to State Government employees, teachers and Government Pensioners/Family Pensioners, due from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2020 shall not be paid. The additional installments of Dearness Allowance due from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2020 and 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021 shall also not be paid. However, Dearness Allowance at current rates will continue to be paid. As and when the decision to release the future installment of Dearness Allowance due from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2021 is taken by the Government, the rates of Dearness Allowance as effective from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2020, 1<sup>st</sup> July 2020 and 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021 will be restored prospectively and will be subsumed in the cumulative revised rate effective from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2021. No arrears for the period from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2020 till 30th June 2021 shall be paid.

5. This order shall also apply to the teaching and non-teaching staff working in aided educational institutions, employees under local bodies, employees governed by the University Grants Commission/All India Council for Technical Education scales of pay, the Teachers/Physical Education Directors/Librarians in Government and Aided Polytechnics and Special Diploma Institutions, Village Assistants in Revenue Department, Noon Meal Organisers, Child Welfare Organisers, Anganwadi Workers, Cooks, Helpers, Panchayat Secretaries/Clerks in Village Panchayat under Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department and other employees drawing pay in the prescribed Level of Pay in the Special Pay Matrix.

**(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)**

**S. KRISHNAN**  
**ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To

All Secretaries to Government.

The Secretary, Legislative Assembly Secretariat, Chennai-9.

The Additional Chief Secretary to Governor, Chennai-22.

The Comptroller, Governor's Household, Raj Bhavan, Chennai-22.

The Governor's Secretariat, Raj Bhavan, Guindy, Chennai-22.

All Heads of Departments.

The Tamil Nadu Information Commission, No.2, ThiagarajaSalai, Teynampet, Chennai-18.

All Departments of Secretariat (OP/Bills)

All Sections in Finance Department.

All Collectors / All District Judges / All Chief Judicial Magistrates.

The Accountant General (Accounts and Entitlements), Chennai-18.

The Principal Accountant General (Audit-I), Chennai-18.

The Accountant General (Audit II), Chennai-18.

The Accountant General (CAB), Chennai -9 / Madurai.

The Principal Secretary / Commissioner of Treasuries and Accounts, Chennai-35.

All Pay and Accounts Officers.

All Treasury Officers / All Sub-Treasury Officers.

The Chairman, Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission, Chennai-3.

The Commissioner of Tribunal for Disciplinary Proceedings, Chennai-108.

The Registrar General, High Court, Chennai-104.

The Registrars of all Universities.

All State owned Corporations and Statutory Boards.

The Commissioner, Greater Chennai Corporation, Chennai-3.  
The Commissioner, Corporation of Madurai / Coimbatore / Tiruchirappalli / Salem /  
Tirunelveli / Erode / Tirupur / Thoothukudi / Vellore / Thanjavur / Dindigul/  
Nagercoil / Hosur / Avadi.  
The Secretary, Tamil Nadu Retired Judges Welfare Association, Ambattur, Chennai-53.  
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All Block Development Officers.  
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All Revenue Divisional Officers.  
All Chief Educational Officers.  
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