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Allowance/Dearness Dearness Payment Serving State Government Employees/State Government Pensioners/Family Pension Holders/Extra Ordinary Pension Holders/ Compassionate Family Pension Holders in revised rates effective from 01/01/2024 applicable for revised pay scale as per A.S.(ROP) Rules, 2017.

The undersigned is directed to refer to Finance Department's OM vide No. FEG.2498/2017/271 dated 28/11/2023 and to say that Governor of Assam is pleased to decide that the Dearness Allowance/Dearness Relief (D.A./D.R.) to the State Government employees and the pensioners who are entitled to draw pay & pension as per A.S. (ROP) Rules, 2017 shall be admissible as per rate shown below:

Period from which payable	Rate of D.A./D.R. enhanced	Rate of D.A./D.R. per mensem
From 01/01/2024	4%	50% of Basic Pay/Basic Pension

Note: The payment on account of D.A./D.R. involving fractions of 50 paise and above may be rounded off to the next higher rupee and fraction of less than 50 paise may be ignored.

- 1) The order shall apply to Government employees who are brought over to the revised scale of pay w.e.f. 01/04/2016 and to those who elected to retain the scale of pay that prevailed prior to 01/04/2016. In case of the former, pay for the purpose of D.A. will be as defined in F.R. 9(21) (a) (i) including stagnation increment. Those Govt. employees who exercised option to retain the scale of pay that existed prior to 01/04/2016 shall continue to draw the D.A. as is appropriate to the pay scales in force on 31/03/2016.
- 2) The orders shall also be applicable to work charged employees and to those paid from contingencies and holding posts carrying identical pay scales as applicable to the employees of the regular establishments of corresponding categories.
- 3) The amount sanctioned shall be classified as D.A./D.R. and the expenditure for the purpose will be debitable to the detailed head of Salary, Wages or Pension under respective head of account from which Govt. employees draw their pay and the Pensioners draw their pension.
- 4) (i) The enhanced rate of 50% D.A./D.R shall be paid along with monthly pay/pension for the month of March 2024, in April 2024.
 - (ii) The arrear D.A/D.R. with effect from 01/01/2024 to 29/02/2024 shall be paid in two equal installments in the months of May and June, 2024 through Bank Accounts of the Employees/Pensioners.
 - (iii) State Govt. employees whose superannuation was due in the period w.e.f. January, 2024 to February, 2024 may be allowed enhanced rate (50%) of D.A. while computing their leave encashment benefit. Similarly, anyone superannuating in March, April and May 2024, they shall be paid full arrears in the last month of their retirement.
- 5) The Treasuries and Sub-Treasuries in Assam/Authorized Public Sector Banks are requested to arrange for the payment of Dearness Relief to the Pensioners/Family Pension Holders/Extra Ordinary Pension Holders on the basis of this O.M.

Signed by Malavika Choudhury Date: 16-03-2024 11:39:10

Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Finance (Estt.-A) Department