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

Circular No. Pen.Co-ordn./55 Vol.VII/ 142 Vol.III/65 Vol.IV/66 Vol-III/10 Date: 12/04/2022

Subject:- Grant of revised rate of Dearness Relief @ 34% to Central Government Pensioners / Family Pensioners etc. effective from 01/01/2022

In continuation to this office circular No. Pen.Co-ordn./55 Vol.VI/142 Vol.III/65 Vol.IV/66 Vol.III/89 dated 29/10/2021, it is stated that Government of India, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions, Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare under their O.M. No 42/07/2022-P&PW(D) dated 05/04/2022 have sanctioned Dearness Relief at the rate of 34% with effect from 01/01/2022 in supersession of the rate mentioned in O.M. No 42/07/2021-P&PW(D) e-7330 dated 27/10/2021 to (i) Civilian Central Government pensioners/family pensioners including absorbee pensioners in PSU/Autonomous Bodies (ii) The Armed Forces Pensioners, Civilian Pensioners paid out of the Defence Service Estimates, (iii) All India Service Pensioners / family pensioners (iv) Railway Pensioners / family pensioners (v) Pensioners who are in receipt of provisional pension (vi) The Burma Civilian Pensioners / Family Pensioners and (vii) Pensioners/families of displaced Government pensioners from Pakistan.

2. This circular will not be applicable to
- (a) CPF beneficiaries, their widows and eligible children who are in receipt of ex-gratia payment in terms of Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare OM No. 45/52/97-P&PW(E) dated 16/12/1997 and revised subsequently vide OM No. 1/10/2012-P&PW(E) dated 27/06/2013.
  - (b) Burma Military pensioners / family pensioners

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3. The retired officers of West Bengal Judicial Service and family pensioners of such category whose pension/family pension has been regulated /revised in terms of Judicial Department Memo No 7012 – J and 7014 – J both dated 25/10/2010 would not come within the ambit of this circular and a separate circular letter in respect of such category of pensioners / family pensioners will be issued separately on enhancement of such applicable rate.

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4. In the case of retired Judges of the High Court, separate circular will be issued on receipt of necessary order from the Ministry of Law and Justice.
5. Amount of Dearness Relief involving a fraction of a rupee shall be rounded off to the next higher rupee.
6. It will be the responsibility of the pension disbursing authorities, including nationalized banks etc. to calculate the quantum of Dearness Relief payable in each individual case.
7. All concerned Pension Disbursing Officers are, therefore, requested to make necessary arrangement for payment of Dearness Relief @ 34% to the above eligible categories of pensioners/ family pensioners with effect from 01/01/2022, along with arrear of dearness relief following the above guideline, as applicable, after proper adjustment.
8. Charges for payment of above enhanced rate of dearness relief to the pensioners / family pensioners are debitable to the Government of India/Railway/Defence Accounts under the proper head of account as usual.
9. Receipt of the circular may please be acknowledged.

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

Circular No. Pen. Co-ordn/7-Vol. III (B)/18

Date : 22-4-2022

Subject : Grant of Ex-gratia payment to the West Bengal Govt. Pensioners/Family Pensioners for the year 2022.

It is informed that the Government of West Bengal, Finance (Audit) Department, in their Memo No. 1573-F(P<sub>2</sub>) dated 18-4-2022 (copy enclosed) have sanctioned Ex-gratia Grant of ₹ 2,700/- (Rupees Two thousand Seven hundred only) in lump per head to all their pensioners including the holders of provisional pension who retired prior to 30-09-2021 and also the pensioners who retired/died or will retire/die after 30-09-2021 but prior to 01-09-2022 and are not eligible to receive ad-hoc bonus.

2. The Ex-gratia grant sanctioned in the aforesaid Memo will also be admissible to the pensioners/family pensioners mentioned in Para 3 of the enclosed Memo.

The classes of pensioner who will not come within the purview of the Memo have also been clearly indicated in Para 4 & 5 of the Memo *ibid*.

In this connection, it is informed that the **pro-rata pension holders** are also entitled to get the benefit of full amount of ex-gratia grant, sanctioned in the above Memo. in terms of Govt. of West Bengal, Finance Department, Pension Branch's clarificatory letter No. 805-F(Pen), dated 10-12-2008 (circulated by this Office circular No Pen. Co-ordn/7 Vol. III/64 Vol. II/191 dated 07-01-2009), subject to fulfillment of the conditions as laid down in the Memo. *ibid*.

3. The ex-gratia grant sanctioned in the Memo. will, however, be admissible only to pensioners/family pensioners whose basic pension/family pension along with dearness relief does not exceed ₹ 32,000/- as on 31-03-2022.

4. Necessary arrangements for payment of Ex-gratia @ ₹ 2,700/- (Rupees Two thousand Seven hundred only) to the eligible West Bengal Govt. pensioners/family pensioners may please be made, keeping in view the instructions contained in the enclosed Memo. as well as in this circular.

5. The payment of ex-gratia as sanctioned in the Memo. should be made to the Muslim Pensioners/Family Pensioners before the festival of Id-UI-Fitre and to other than Muslim Pensioners/Family Pensioners, the payment in this regard may be made in between 19-09-2022 and 23-09-2022.

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6. The charges on this account is debitable to the Govt. of West Bengal under the head "2071-Pension and other retirement benefits-01-Civil-800-Other Expenditure-NP-001-fund" required for meeting other expenditure-V-04-Pension/Gratuities" during the current financial year.

7. In this connection, it is also informed that the teaching and non-teaching pensioners of the State aided Non-Govt. Educational Institution, non-teaching staff of non-Govt. colleges etc. will not come under the purview of this Memorandum. Separate circulars in these cases will be issued on receipt of the order from the respective Administrative Department as mentioned in last but one paragraph of the Memo *ibid.*

8. In case of any doubt/difficulty, the matter may be referred to this office for clarification.



**Sr. Accounts Officer  
Pension Co-ordination**

To :-

1. The General Manager/Manager of all concerned Link Branches (Under Spl. Seal) of Public Sector Banks in Kolkata.
2. All Accountants General. -do-
3. Pay & Accounts Officer, No. V, Tis Hazari, New Delhi, PIN - 110 054. -do-
4. Director, Directorate of Accounts and Treasuries, Govt. of Pondicherry, Pondicherry - 605 001. -do-
5. Director, Directorate of Accounts, Pension Section, Panaji, Goa - 403 001. -do-
6. P. A. O., Andaman, Andaman & Nicobar Island, Port Blair-744 101. -do-
7. Asstt. Military Attache (P), Embassy of India, Military Pension Branch, Kathmandu, Nepal-1. -do-
8. Secretary, Finance Department, Govt. of Sikkim, Gangtok, Pin- 737 101. -do-
9. Controller of Accounts, Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi- 110 021. -do-
10. Dir. of Audit & Pension, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, Naharlagun- 791 110. -do-
11. Director of Treasuries and Accounts, Govt. of West Bengal, 'Mitra Building', 8, Lyons Range, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Kolkata-1 for information.
12. Director General of Audit (Central), Kolkata, G.I. Press Building, 8, K. S. Roy Road, Kolkata-700 001..
13. Pay & Accounts Office, A/2 State Emporia Buildings, Baba Kharag Sing Marg, New Delhi - 110 001.
14. Chief Accountant, Reserve Bank of India, Central Office, Department of Govt. and Bank Accounts, New Central Office Building, Shaheed Bhagat Sing Road, Mumbai-400 023.
15. OSD & Ex-officio Joint Secretary, Finance (e-governance group) Department, Nabanna, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor, Room No. 1205, 325, Sarat Chandra Chatterjee Road, Howrah - 711 102.
16. Branch Officer/Pen. EDP is requested to upload the instant circular along with the enclosed memorandum both in P-SAI software and in office portal under employees' login and for general viewing.
17. All Branch Officers/ Asstt. Accounts officer in Pension Group (through P-SAI software).
18. Branch Officer/Asstt. Accounts Officer-in-charge of AM-I, ITSC, PAO (Fund), Legal Cell and O & M Section of this office. (through office portal)
19. Secretary to Pr. A.G. (through office portal)
20. I.A.O. (through office portal)
21. Branch Officer-in-charge of Admn. Hindi Cell with the request to translate the circular in Hindi.

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL  
Finance (Audit) Department  
'NABANNA', Howrah - 711 102.

No. 1573-F(P<sub>2</sub>)

Dated: 18<sup>th</sup> April, 2022.

MEMORANDUM

Subject: Grant of ex-gratia payment to the State Government Pensioners for the year 2021-2022.

The undersigned is directed by order of the Governor to say that in order to provide some relief to the State Government Pensioners during the ensuing festivals, the Governor has been pleased to decide that all State Government Pensioners including the holders of provisional pension who retired prior to 30.09.2021 and also the pensioners who retired or died after 30.09.2021 but prior to 01.09.2022 and whose basic pension plus Dearness Relief on pension as on 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2022 did not exceed Rs.32,000/- (Rupees Thirty two thousand) only and are not eligible for ad-hoc bonus shall be paid an ex-gratia of Rs.2,700/- (Rupees Two thousand Seven hundred) only in lump per head.

2. The charge is debitable to the head "2071-Pension and other retirement Benefits-01-Civil-800-other Expenditure-NP-001-fund required for meeting other expenditure-V-04-Pension/Gratulties" during the current financial year.

3. The ex-gratia grant sanctioned herein will also be admissible to:-

- i) The holders of family pension, ex-gratia family pension and ad-hoc family pension;
- ii) Pensioners (including widow pension holders) who draw their pension sanctioned under French Pension Rules;
- iii) Holders of extra-ordinary pension; and
- iv) Holders of ex-gratia pension.

The benefit will also be admissible to the pensioners of the undivided Government of Bengal and the pensioners of the erstwhile East Pakistan (now Bangladesh) Government who migrated to West Bengal and are receiving pension under "Provisional Payment of Pension Scheme".

4. The Ex-gratia grant sanctioned herein will not be admissible to the special categories of pensioners, such as:-

- i) Pensioners who have migrated from Pakistan;
- ii) Political Pensioners;
- iii) Special Pensioners;
- iv) War Risk Pensioners;
- v) Pensioners governed by the All India Services Rules.

5. The benefit will not be admissible to those who are entitled to ad-hoc bonus sanctioned by the State Government and those who are employed/re-employed under any Public Undertakings/Statutory Bodies under the Government and are in receipt of bonus or ex-gratia payment in lieu thereof during the current financial year.

6. State Government pensioners who draw their pension through Public Sector Banks will get this ex-gratia grant through their respective Bank Account. The Principal Accountant General(A&E), West Bengal will issue an authority for this purpose to all such Banks under the Kolkata Payment Scheme immediately on receipt of this order so that the pensioners may draw the ex-gratia grant immediately to make their commitments for their festival. The Treasury Office will take appropriate steps for issue of cheque to the respective paying branches of the Banks and Post Offices, so that the pensioners receiving pension through Banks and Money Order get the payment of ex-gratia immediately to meet their commitments for their festival. No authority of the Principal Accountant General(A&E), West Bengal will be required for this purpose.



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7. Subject to Para 6 above, this order will also be applicable to those who are eligible to this ex-gratia grant but whose pension/family pension has not yet been sanctioned. In their cases and in the case of persons who are drawing provisional pension, this amount of ex-gratia will be drawn by the authority competent to draw provisional pension in the same manner as the amount of provisional pension is drawn by him. In their cases, the facts of payment of ex-gratia grant should be intimated to the Principal Accountant General(A&E), West Bengal at the time of forwarding their pension papers for final sanction of pension.

The benefit of ex-gratia grant of Rs.2,700/- per head as has been sanctioned in this memorandum for the State Government Pensioners will also be allowed to the teaching and non-teaching Pensioners of State Aided Non-Government Educational Institutions and Pensioners of Panchayats, the Pensioners of Municipal Corporations/Municipalities/Local Bodies and other Organisations for whom Pension is authorized either by the Accountant General, West Bengal or the DPPG, West Bengal. In such cases the respective Administrative Department may sanction the benefit of ex-gratia payment @ Rs.2,700/- per head this year to the pensioners concerned under their control without making any further reference to Pension Branch of this Department.

The payment of ex-gratia as sanctioned hereinabove should be made before the festival of Id-UI-Fitre of 2022 for the Muslim Pensioners/Family Pensioners and other than Muslim Pensioners/Family Pensioners the benefits should be disbursed in between 19.09.2022 to 23.09.2022.

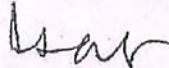
Sd/- Manoj Pant  
Principal Secretary to the  
Government of West Bengal.

No. 1573/1(400)-F(P<sub>2</sub>)

Dated: 18<sup>th</sup> April, 2022.

Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:

- 1) The Principal Accountant General(A&E), West Bengal, Treasury Buildings, Kolkata – 700 001.
- 2) The Director of Treasuries & Accounts, West Bengal, Kolkata – 700 001.
- 3) The Pay & Accounts Officer, Kolkata Pay & Accounts Office-I, 81/2/2, Phears Lane, Kolkata-700 012.
- 4) The Pay & Accounts Officer, Kolkata Pay & Accounts Office-II, Hyde Lane, Kolkata – 700 073.
- 5) The Pay & Accounts Officer, Kolkata Pay & Accounts Office-III, Subhanna, SGO Complex, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Plot No. 9, DF Block, Sector-I, Salt Lake City, Kolkata – 700 064.
- 6) The Deputy Secretary & DDO, Finance Department, Accounts Branch, Nabanna, Howrah.
- 7) The District Magistrate/Judge.....
- 8) The Sub-Divisional Officer.....
- 9) The Treasury Officer.....
- 10) The.....Department/Directorate.
- 11) The Commissioner.....
- 12) The Principal Industrial Training Institute.....
- 13) The Superintendent of Police.....
- 14) The Superintending Engineer/Ex. Engineer.....
- 15) Sri Sumit Mitra, Network Administrator, Finance Department for uploading this Memorandum in the Finance Department Website.

  
Joint Secretary to the  
Government of West Bengal.

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