## COORDINATION COMMITTEE OF CENTRAL GOVERNMENT PENSIONERS ASSOCIATIONS CHANDIGARH

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No CCCGPA/CGHS/003

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To, The Director General, CGHS, (P) Section, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi

Sub: Entitlement of Wards in Empanelled Hospitals for CGHS beneficiaries

Sir,

Kindly refer to the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare O M No S-11011/23/2009-CGHS-II/Hospital Cell (Part1) dated 16 Nov, 2010. As per Para 3 of the O M ibid, the entitlement of wards in Private empanelled hospitals, based on the beneficiaries Basic Pay/Pension have been indicated as under:

(i) Up to Rs 13,950/ (ii) Between Rs 13,951/- 7 Rs 19,530/ (iii) Rs 19,540/- and above
 - General Ward
 - Semi Private Ward
 - Private Ward

- The above entitlements are based on the Post 2006 Pay Scales/ pension as per 6<sup>th</sup> CPC recommendations. Some Pre-2006 pensioner CGHS beneficiaries, holding Life Time CGHS Cards, have expressed apprehension that they may lose their entitlement to Private/Semi Private wards in the hospitals as their revised Basic Pension refixed after 2006 is based on a different criteria, leading to lower fixation of their Basic Pension/family pension vis-à-vis post 2006 pensioners. It is a well established fact that there is vast disparity between the pre-2006 pensioners and post-2006 pensioners having same status, as a result of 6<sup>th</sup> CPC implementation.
- Ministry of Health & Family Welfare vide their No 11011/2/2008-CGHS.(P) dated 20 May,2009, revising the rates of subscription for the CGHS, had under Para 5 (iii) clarified that 'the entitlement of pensioners/family pensioners, who have already deposited their contribution for Life Time CGHS facility, will not be changed.' However, the latest instructions issued to various organizations as per O M dated 16 Nov, 2010 referred ibid, is silent on this issue, leading to such apprehension amongst the elderly aged pensioners. These pensioners had been granted the entitlement to Private/ semi Private wards based on their Basic Pension at the time of retirement or when they joined the CGHS. In the case of Family Pensioners, who are mainly the elderly spouses of deceased pensioners, their Basic Pension @ 30% would be even less.

It is requested that necessary clarification may be issued in respect of those pensioners/family pensioners who had made 'Whole Life' contribution to the CGHS before the implementation of 6<sup>th</sup> CPC recommendations, and had been granted the entitlement to the Private/Semi Private wards in empanelled hospitals, base on their Basic Pension/family pension at the time of retirement or joining the CGHS. It may kindly be confirmed that aged elderly pensioners/family pensioners holding the 'Whole Life' CGHS Cards would continue to hold the same entitlement of Wards to which they were entitled at time of joining the CGHS.

Yours sincerely,

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- 3. Additional Dy Director (HQ) O/o DGHS(CGHS; Desk I), Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi
- 4. Dr S C Anand, Additional Director, CGHS, Sector 34 D, Chandigarh

It is requested that clarification on point raised may kindly be intimated at the earliest for the information of elderly pensioners. This may kindly be done before April,2011 so that correct position can be conveyed to the affected pensioners.

5. Dr Ashwani Kumar, CMO(NFSG), Incharge, CGHS Wellness Center, Sector 45, Chandigarh

For similar action please.

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