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**Revision of pension w.e.f 1.1.2006 of Pre-2006 pensioners who retired from the 5th CPC scale of Rs. 6500-10500/-**

No.38/33/12-P&PW (A)  
Government of India  
Ministry of Personnel, PG & Pensions  
Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare

3rd Floor, Lok Nayak Bhawan  
Khan Market, New Delhi-110 003  
Dated the 4th January, 2019

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM****Sub: Revision of pension w.e.f 1.1.2006 of Pre-2006 pensioners who retired from the 5th CPC scale of Rs. 6500-10500/-.**

The undersigned is directed to say that as per Para 4.2 of this Department's OM of even number dated 01.09.2008 relating to revision of pension of pre-2006 pensioners w.e.f. 1.1.2006, the revised pension w.e.f. 1.1.2006, in no case, shall be lower than 50% of the sum of the minimum of pay in the pay band and the grade pay thereon corresponding to the pre-revised pay scale from which the pensioner had retired.

2. Instructions were issued vide this Department's OM of even number dated 28.1.2013 for stepping up of pension of pre-2006 pensioners w.e.f. 24.9.2012 to 50% of the sum of the minimum of pay in the pay band and the grade pay thereon corresponding to the pre revised pay scale from which the pensioner had retired, as arrived at with reference to the fitment tables annexed to Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure's OM No. 1/1/2008-IC dated 30th August, 2008. A concordance table indicating the revised pension/ family pension of pre-2006 pensioners in terms of instructions contained in para 4.2 of OM dated 1.9.2008 read with the OM dated 28.1.2013 was also annexed to the OM dated 28.1.2013. Subsequently, orders were issued vide this Department's OM of even number dated 30.7.2015 that the pension/family pension of all pre-2006 pensioners/family pensioners may be revised in accordance with this Department's OM No. 38/37/08-P&PW(A) dated 28.1.2013 with effect from 1.1.2006 instead of 24.9.2012.

3. In the aforesaid OM dated 28.1.2013 of Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare, the grade pay corresponding to the pre-revised pay scale of Rs. 6500-10500 was shown as Rs. 4200/- and the minimum pension in terms of para 4.2 of the OM dated 1.9.2008 was shown as Rs. 8145/- (50% of minimum pay of Rs. 16,290/- as per fitment table for the pre-revised scale of pay of Rs. 6500-10500, annexed to Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure's OM No. 1/1/2008-IC dated 30th August, 2008).

4. Order were issued vide Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure's OM No.1.2008-IC dated 13.11.2009 that the posts which were in the pre-revised scale of Rs. 6500-10500 as on 1.1.2006 and which were granted the normal replacement pay structure of grade pay of Rs. 4200/- in the pay band P13-2, will be granted grade pay of Rs. 4600/- in the pay band PI3-2 corresponding to the pre-revised scale of Rs. 7450-11,500 w.e.f 1.1.2006.

5. Representations have been received in this Department for extending the benefit of grade pay of Rs. 4600/- for revision of pension/family pension, w.e.f. 1.1.2006, in respect of Pre-2006 pensioners who retired/died in the 5th CPC scale of Rs. 6500-10500/- or equivalent pay scale in the earlier Pay Commission periods. The matter regarding the amount of minimum pension/family pension in terms of para 4.2 of the O.M. dated 1.9.2008 in their case has been re-examined in the light of the orders issued by Ministry of Finance (Department of Expenditure) vide their OM No. 1/1/08-IC dated 13.11.2009 and decisions of courts in certain cases. It has been observed that pay of all serving employees in the pre-revised pay scale of Rs. 6500-10500/- has been fixed w.e.f. 1.2006 in the grade pay of Rs. 4600/-. Therefore, the grade pay of Rs. 4600/- can be considered as the grade pay corresponding to the pre-

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revised pay scale of Rs. 6500-10500/,

6. Accordingly, it has been decided that, for the purpose of revision of pension/family pension w.e.f. 1.1.2006 under para 4.2 of the O.M. dated 1.9.2008, the Grade Pay of Rs. 4600/- may be considered as the corresponding Grade pay in the case of pre-2006 pensioners who retired/died in the 5th CPC scale of Rs. 6500-10500/- or equivalent pay scale in the earlier Pay Commission periods,

7. In accordance with the provisions of Rule 7 of the CCS (Revised Pay) Rules, 2008, the pay corresponding to the pay of Rs. 6500/- in the pre-revised pay scale of Rs. 6500-10500/- would be 12090/- in the PB-2. After adding the grade pay of Rs. 4600/-, the pay in the Pay Band I Grade Pay corresponding to the pay of Rs. 6500/- in the pre-revised pay scale of Rs. 6500-10500 would be Rs. 16690/- (12090+4600). Accordingly, the revised pension w.e.f. 1.1.2006 in terms of para 4.2 of OM dated 1.9.2008, for the pre-2006 pensioners who retired from the pay scale of Rs. 6500-10500/- in the 5th CPC or equivalent pay scales in the earlier Pay Commissions would be Rs. 8345/-. Accordingly the entries at serial number 13 in the annexure of this Department's OM No. 38/37/08-P&PW(A) dated 28.1.2013 may be substituted by the entries shown in the statement annexed to this O.M.

8. As provided in this Department's OM dated 28.1.2013, in case the consolidated pension/family pension calculated as per para 4.1 of this Department's OM No. 38/37/08- P&PW(A) dated 1.9.2008 is higher than the pension/family pension calculated in the manner indicated above, the same (higher consolidated pension/family pension) will continue to be treated as basic pension/family pension.

9. In their application to the persons belonging to the India Audit and Accounts Department, these orders are issued in consultation with the controller and Auditor General of India.

10. All the Ministries/Departments are requested to bring the contents of these orders to the notice of Controller of Accounts/Pay and Accounts Officers and Attached and subordinate Offices under them. They are also requested to revise the pension of the affected pre-2006 pensioners in accordance with the instructions contained in this O.M. on a top priority basis.

(Harjit Singh)  
Director

[Accessed on 21.1.2019 from <https://www.gconnect.in/orders-in-brief/pension/pension-pre-2006-pensioners-retired-5th-cpc-scale.html>]

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**Government of India**

**MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE**

**C.G.H.S.WELLNESS CENTRE NO-1, SECTOR 45, CHANDIGARH**

No: CMO/CGHSWC-I/Advisory Committee/Minutes / 87 05 January, 2019  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD ON 05-01-2019 AT CGHS  
WELLNESS CENTRE  
NO-1, SECTOR 45, CHANDIGARH

The meeting of the CGHS Advisory Committee was held at 09.30 a.m. on 05 Jan, 2019 and was presided over by Dr (Mrs) Sunita Chaudhary, Senior CMO (SAG), I/C CGHS Wellness Centre, Sector 45, Chandigarh, and attended by the following members:

- (1) Sh. P S Bedi-DIG (Retd)- PMF Retired Officers Association, Chandigarh. (Mob: 94648-35350)
- (2) Sh Didar Singh, IA & AD Pensioners Welfare Association, Chandigarh. (Mob: 98159-91318)
- (3) Sh D R Sharma, Central Excise Pensioners Association, Chandigarh. (Mob: 98147-35251)
- (4) Sh D D Sharma, Survey of India, Rep of serving employees, Chandigarh. (Mob: 94171-84124)
- (5) Sh Vinit Goel, Rep, Jai Ambika Medicos, ALC, SCO 361 Sector 32 D, Chandigarh. (Mob: 99886-37709)

**Welcome Address:**

Dr (Mrs) Sunita Chaudhary, Senior CMO (SAG) In-charge CGHS Wellness Centre No 1, welcomed the members of the Advisory Committee. She informed that there is a possibility of the CGHS Wellness

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Centre, shifting from its present location to either Sector 49, or Sector 22. Shri Didar Singh intimated that he, along with some pensioners had visited the two locations offered by the Chandigarh Administration. The premises in Sector 22, has plenty of space, and sufficient parking area, and so is the case with the premises in Sector 49, where a newly constructed premises have been offered. Both these locations are suitable provided full premises are given for the CGHS Wellness Centre.

The CMO also intimated that CGHS setup in Jalandhar would start functioning shortly, may be in a fortnight. With that, the pressure on our WC would be reduced considerably.

The CMO also informed that the two year tenure of the present Advisory committee is coming to an end, and invited the members to suggest suitable names of pensioner CGHS beneficiaries to form the new advisory committee.

**Amenities for the beneficiaries**

Regarding the progress of allotment of the earmarked plot for CGHS complex, Shri Didar Singh intimated that, case for raising the point in the Parliament is ready, and the local MP (Smt Kirron Kher) would raise it in the Parliament during the winter session. Even when the plot is handed over to the CGHS, it would take a few years to construction the required buildings on the plot.

A delegation of journalists of a local vernacular newspaper, AAJ SAMAJ, had visited the CGHS Wellness Centre on 15 Dec, 2018, and had raised the issue of the cramped CGHS premises and highlighted the problems faced by the CGHS patients. Photos of the congested premises were also published in the newspaper the next day.

**MRC status/Pendency of claims:**

The MRCs up to July, 2018 have been cleared, and the bills received up to Sept, 2018 are under scrutiny.

**Availability of Drugs in the WC:**

As per records, there are 310 Generic items and 68 Proprietary items available in the WC. No problem is being faced by CGHS beneficiaries in supply of medicines.. Shri DD Sharma, representative of the serving employees, raised a point that some CGHS serving employees are still insisting for the proprietary drugs prescribed by the specialists. The CMO, clarified that the drugs and medicines available in the dispensary, are mainly Generic drugs, and the supply to patients is based on the salt, and not as per the commercial nomenclature. The medicines and drugs being procured through AMRIT outlet, are certified quality drugs and have good efficacy.

**Performance of authorized Local Chemist (ALC):**

There has been no problem with the supply of local purchased medicines from the authorised local chemist (ALC). The supply of indented medicine is being received in time. The bills of the ALC are also being cleared in time.

**Staff Punctuality & Behaviour:**

The staff at the WC is a dedicated lot, and their conduct and behaviour has been praiseworthy. They are courteous and helpful to all patients especially the senior/aged/ patients with disability.

**Cleanliness & Maintenance of Wellness Centre:**

Under the prevailing circumstances, the upkeep of the premises is appreciable.

**Suggestion /Grievance Redressal:**

- The suggestion / complaint box contained three letters, contents of which are listed below:
- (i) Shri S S Pandher, ex- DCP, CISF (CGHS beneficiary 38139160), in his suggestion dated 03-12-2018, raised the point of long queues, and heavy rush of patients at the dispensary. He espoused for opening more CGHS dispensaries in Chandigarh for covering all CGHS patients reporting each day.

The CMO indicated that Add Director CGHS has already taken up a case for additional CGHS dispensaries in the Chandigarh tricity. Moreover, with the functioning of the CGHS Wellness Centre at Jalandhar, there will be some improvement in the lone dispensary in Chandigarh

- (ii) Shri Des Raj ( Mobile : 9877288368), made a complaint ( 06-12-2018) that some beneficiaries jump the queue for collection of medicines at the medicine dispensing window, whereas others, who come as early as 8.00 a.m. do not get a chance till 10.00 a.m.

The CMO explained that persons above 80 years age are only allowed to take preference as per Govt orders.

- (iii) Shri Daljit Singh Manhas, from a village in Tehsil Amb (dist; Una- Himachal Pradesh), pointed out that patients are not getting all the indented at one go, forcing them to visit the dispensary repeatedly. This is taxing for the CGHS beneficiaries, coming from distant places. He vouched for streamlining the issue of medicines.

The CMO explained that the problem has now been sorted out, and in case any patient faces this problem, he must contact the dispensary staff and all efforts will be made to attend to his problem.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks

(Dr (Mrs) Sunita Chaudhary)  
Senior Chief Medical Officer (SAG) I/C  
CGHS WELLNESS CENTRE NO 1  
Sector 45, Chandigarh

Copy to

1. Addl. Director CGHS, Sector 9, Chandigarh
2. All the committee members.

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**LIST OF HOSPITALS & OTHER HEALTH CARE ORGANISATIONS  
EMPANELLED UNDER CGHS CHANDIGARH  
(Up dated- JANUARY, 2019)**

The CGHS empanelled hospitals (including Diagnostic Labs), Eye hospitals and Diagnostic centers, as approved by NABH/NABL/QCI, shall be empanelled for all facilities available in the HCOs

<b>HOSPITALS</b>			
<b>S.No</b>	<b>Name &amp; Address</b>	<b>Empanelled for</b>	<b>Nodal officer</b>
1.	FORTIS HOSPITAL & HEALTHCARE Sector 62 (Phase VIII), MOHALI-160064 Tele : 0172-4692222, 5021222 (Ambulance: 0981539670)	All available facility	Dr Ajinder Kumar. 98721-70582
2.	MAX HOSPITAL, HOME TRAIL ESTATE Phase 6, MOHALI-160055 Tele : 0172-6652000, (Emergency : 6652666)	All available facility	Mr. Amit 99150-81083
3.	IVY HOSPITAL , HEALTH & LIFESCIENCES Sector 71, MOHALI-160071 Tele : 0172-7170000, 5044333-47	All available facility	Mrs. Archana kaura 98553-23212

4.	ALCHEMIST HOSPITAL, Sector 21, PANCHKULA-134112 Tele : 0172-4500000, 4500045	All available facility	Sh Paras Jagga, 97808-87049
5.	INDUS SPECIALTY HOSPITAL, Phase 1 ( Sector 55), MOHALI-160055 Tele : 0172-5044944 /45	All available facility	Sh Satbir Kumar 99147-50544
6.	MUKAT HOSPITAL & HEART INSTITUTE, SCO 47-49 Sector 34 A, CHANDIGARH-160022 Tele : 0172-4344444	All available facility	Mr. Bahadur Singh 98141-05686
7.	AMAR HOSPITAL, Sector 70, MOHALI-160071 Tele : 0172-5033683 Website : www.amarhospital.net	All available facility	Shri A K Parihar 82848-61034
8.	SRI GURU HARKISHAN SAHIB (C) EYE HOSPITAL SOHANA ,MOHALI-160071 Tele : 0172-2295000,	All available facility	Sh. A K Suri 98140-95240
9.	GRECIAN SUPER SPECIALTY HOSPITAL Sector 69, MOHALI-160062 Tele : 0172-4696600, 2218999	All available facility	Mr. Sumeet Malhotra 98158-40167
10.	LANDMARK HOSPITAL, 1&2 Sector 33C, Chandigarh Tele: 0172-40270000 / 92161-70705	All available facility	Mr. Rajinder Saini 92168-70704
11.	MAYO HEALTHCARE SUPER SPECIALTY HOSPITAL, Sector 69, Mohali Tele: 0172-5240000, 5240022, 5240024	All available facility	Sh. Mohit Gupta 98156-25992
12.	DHAWAN HOSPITAL, Plot No. 1, Sectot 7, PANCHKULA Tele ; 0172-2596090-91	All available facility	Mr. D Sharma 97813-99091

**EXCLUSIVE EYE CLINICS**

S. No	Name & Address	Nodal officer
1	SRI GURU HARKISHAN SAHIB ( C) EYE HOSPITAL TRUST, Sohana- MOHALI-160071 Tele : 0172-2295000, 2295100 Mob: 87250-01333	Mr. A K Suri- 98140-95240)
2	GREWAL EYE INTITUTE PVT LTD. SCO 168-169, Madhya Marg, Sector 9 C, CHANDIGARH-160017 Tele : 0172-5056969, 2744843	Mr. Joginder 97791-88883
3	GROVER EYE LASER & ENT HOSPITAL, 140 Sector 35 A , CHANDIGARH-160022 Tele : 0172-3989000	Mr. Tara Saini 92166-66440
4	A-ONE CREATIONS PVT LTD. SCO 833-834 Sector 22 A , CHANDIGARH-160022 Tele : 0172-2720965, 2722433	Mr. Bhupinder Kumar 97804-67060

5	DRISHTI EYE HOSPITAL, SCO 26, sector11, PANCHKULA Tele; 0172-2571572	Mrs. Neelam 94170-04447
6	J P EYE HOSPITAL, 35 Phase 7 (sector 61), MOHALI Tele : 0172-2227502 / 2266613	Mrs. Shashi 84270-40884

**EXCLUSIVE DENTAL CLINIC**

S. No	Name & Address	Nodal Officer
1	SRI GURU HARKISHAN SAHIB ( C) EYE HOSPITAL TRUST, SOHANA- MOHALI-160071 Tele : 0172-2295000, 2295100 Mob: 87250-01333	Sh. A K Suri 98140-95240
2	INDUS HYGIA DENTAL, SCF- 21, Phase 6, MOHALI-160056 Tele : 0172-2295000	Sh. Satbir 99147-50544

**DIAGNOSTIC LABS / IMAGING CENTRES**

S. No	Name & Address	Facilities empanelled for	Nodal Officer
1	DR SHAMER SINGH MEMORIAL RADIO DIAGNOSTIC CENTRE, SCF 13-14 Sector 16 D, Chandigarh- 160016 Tele : 0172-2541465 , 2781496	MRI Vol. 1.5 Tesla, Whole body CT Scan, Whole body Doppler Studies, Whole body Ultrasound with 3 D & 4 D USB, Whole body Dex Scan, Mammography, Digital X-rays & Radiological investigations.	Sh. Tejinder Kumar 98722-02236
2	CHANDIGARH CLINICAL LABORATORIES PVT LTD. SCF 9 sector 16 D, Chandigarh-160016 Tele : 0172- 5076501	Clinical Pathology, Hematology, Cyt Opathology, Biochemistry, Microbiology & serology.	Sh.Ashwani Kumar 98722-46170
3	MIRCHIA DIAGNOSTIC, SCO 912-13, NAC Manimajra, Chandigarh Tele : 0172-2733049, 2736044	X-Rays, Ultrasound, Colour Doppler, CAT Scan, Sono Mammography, Bone densitometer, echocardiography.	Sh.Deepak 98554-76186



4	SPIRAL CT & MRI CENTRE, hospital site No 3, Sector 44C, Chandigarh Tele : 0172- 4064555, 40646666	PET CT Scan, multi slice spiral CT scan, 1.5 tesla MRIs can, Mammography, Ultrasound, Dexa scan, X-Ray	Sh.Devinder 99888-87825
5	PRIME DIAGNOSTIC CENTRE & HEART INSTITUTE, SCO 155 Sector 24 D, Chandigarh Tele : 0172-2545111, 254611	X-Ray, ECG, USG, Colour Doppler, TMT, Echocardiography, & ABP Monitoring.	Sh. Shilender
6	Dr Lal Pathlabs, SCO-16, Sector 16 D, Chandigarh Tele : 0172-5019884 (Collection Centres- Sectors 19D, 32D,38, 44D,47C, Housing Board, MMJ & Baltana	Clinical Pathology, Hematology, Cyt Opathology, Biochemistry, Microbiology & serology.  (offers home collections at reasonable rates- non reimbursable in CGHS)	Mr. Summit 85271-06582
7	HELIX PATHLABS, SCF 82, (FF), Sector 59 (Phase 5), MOHALI-160055, Tele : 0172-5094782, 4012861, 85919-18282	Clinical Pathology, Hematology, Cyt Opathology, Biochemistry, Microbiology & serology ( offers home collections at reasonable rates- non reimbursable in CGHS)	Sh. Sunny 99152-02283
8	HEALTH MAP CT SCAN & MRI CENTRE, Room No 35, Civil Hospital, Sector 6 , Panchkula-134109 Tele : 0172-2561130, 98880-78658	CT Scan and MRI	Sh. A S Khokkhar 98888-74747

(1)CGHS BENEFICIARIES CAN GO DIRECTLY TO EMPANELLED HCOs OF HIS CHOICE FOR CASHLESS TREATMENT ON THE BASIS OF PRESCRIPTIONS ADVISED BY GOVT SPECIALISTS

(2) THE CGHS BENEFICIARY WITH PRESCRIPTION FROM EMPANELLED HOSPITALS HAVE TO SEEK ENDORSEMENT FROM CGHS MO/CMO, BEFORE GOING TO ANY EMPANELLED HCO OF HIS CHOICE FOR CASHLESS TREATMENT.

(3)PRESCRIPTIONS BY SPECIALISTS ( GOVT & EMPANELLED HOSPITALS) MUST BE ON THE HOSPITAL PADS/ SLIPS, DULY SIGNED BY THE SPECIALIST WITH HIS RUBBER STAMP INDICATING HIS NAME, SPECIALTY, DESIGNATION AND DATE

(4) Take photocopies of CGHS card (of Prime holder and the Patient), Specialist prescription, with original documents for verification, while seeking treatment in any empanelled hospital / clinic / diagnostic centres.

(5) Opt for online appointment at CGHS Wellness centre to avoid long queue at the Wellness Registration counter.

(6) visit website [www.cccgpa.com](http://www.cccgpa.com) to clarify any doubt in treatment procedures.

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**BASIC NORMS TO BE FOLLOWED BY CGHS BENEFICIARIES**

- 1 Always carry the CGHS card while visiting CGHS Wellness Centre.
- 2 Always count the quantity and check the 'date of expiry' of the medicines before leaving the Wellness Centre medicine dispensing counter. Thereafter, the CGHS authorities would not be responsible for any discrepancy/shortage.
- 3 For treatment at the empanelled hospitals or diagnostic tests at the approved Labs, carry the original CGHS Card and original prescription with photocopies.
- 4 While consulting specialists, always insist the prescription on hospital pad, with the stamp of the specialist (indicating the specialty) and date of the prescription.
- 5 Online appointment can be booked by following the prescribed procedure- CGHS beneficiary must report at the booked time with the printout or mobile download within 30 minutes of appointed time, and report at the MOs cabin directly without entry at the Registration Counter. In case delay beyond 30 minutes, the booking is cancelled and the beneficiary has to seek registration at the Registration Counter.

(Working hours of CGHS Wellness Centre - from 07.30 a.m. to 2.00 p.m)

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PRESCRIPTIONS FOR UNLISTED PROCEDURES/ TREATMENT ADVISED BY THE GOVT SPECIALISTS OR THE SPECIALISTS OF THE EMPANELLED HOSPITAL

THE CGHS BENEFICIARY HAS TO OBTAIN APPROVAL OF THE COMPETENT AUTHORITY FOR TREATMENT.

(IN THE CASE OF PENSIONER CGHS BENEFICIARIES, THE COMPETENT AUTHORITY IS THE ADDITIONAL DIRECTOR CGHS, AND FOR SERVING EMPLOYEES, THE COMPETENT AUTHORITY IS THE HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT)

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PRESCRIPTIONS BY SPECIALISTS ( GOVT & EMPANELLED HOSPITALS) MUST BE ON THE HOSPITAL PADS/ SLIPS, DULY SIGNED BY THE SPECIALIST WITH HIS RUBBER STAMP INDICATING HIS NAME, SPECIALTY, DESIGNATION AND THE DATE

(Working hours of CGHS Wellness Centre - from 07.30 a.m. to 2.00 p.m)

**IMPORTANT CONTACT NUMBERS**

Details	Contact No
NATIONAL 24 HOURS CGHS HELPLINE, DELHI ( Provides info on all aspects of CGHS matters)	
Dr (Mrs) Sunita Chaudhary, Senior CMO I/C CGHS Wellness Centre, Sector 45, Chandigarh	0172-263 0692 E mail : sec45.cghs@cghs.nic.in
Dr Ashwani Kumar Seniaray, Addln Director CGHS, Kendriya Sadan (4th Floor), Sector 9A, Chandigarh	0172-2740716, 2740555( FAX) E mail : adchd@cghs.nic.in

(Prepared by P S Bedi)

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**TDS deduction under section 194A of the Income-tax Act, 1961 in case of Senior Citizens**

Government of India  
Ministry of Finance  
Central Board of Direct Taxes  
Directorate of Income-tax (Systems)  
New Delhi

Notification No. 06 /2018

New Delhi, 06th December, 2018

**Subject: – TDS deduction under section 194A of the Income-tax Act, 1961 in case of Senior Citizens – reg.-**

It has been brought to the notice of CBDT that in case of Senior Citizens, some TDS deductors/Banks are making TDS deductions even when the amount of income does not exceed fifty thousand rupees. The same is not in accordance with the law as the Income-tax Act provides that no tax deduction at source under section 194A shall be made in the case of Senior Citizens where the amount of such income or, the aggregate of the amounts of such income credited or paid during the financial year does not exceed fifty thousand rupees. (Please refer to the third proviso to sub-section 3 of section 194A)

2. Under sub-rule (5) of Rule 31A of the Income-tax Rules, 1962, the Director General of Income-tax (Systems) is authorized to specify the procedures, formats and standards for the purposes of furnishing and verification of the statements or claim for refund in Form 26B and shall be responsible for the day-to-day administration in relation to furnishing and verification of the statements or claim for refund in Form 26B in the manner so specified.

3. In exercise of the powers delegated by the Central Board of Direct Taxes (Board) under sub-rule (5) of Rule 31A of the Income-tax Rules, 1962, the Principal Director General of Income-tax (Systems) hereby clarifies that no tax deduction at source under section 194A shall be made in the case of Senior Citizens where the amount of such income or, the aggregate of the amounts of such income credited or paid during the financial year does not exceed fifty thousand rupees.

sd/-  
(Dewangi Marthak)  
Asstt. Commissioner of Income-tax(CPC-TDS)  
O/o the Pr. Director of Income-tax (Systems)  
New Delhi

[Accessed on 06.02.2018 from <https://www.gconnect.in/personal-income-tax/no-tds-senior-citizens-50000.html>]  
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**Revision of pension of pre-2016 pensioners – Stagnation increment**

No. 38/37/2016-P&PW (A)  
Government of India  
Ministry of Personnel, PG & Pensions  
Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare

3rd Floor, Lok Nayak Bhawan  
Khan Market, New Delhi-110 003  
Dated the 21st December, 2018

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM****Sub: Revision of pension of pre-2016 pensioners – Stagnation increment regarding.**

The undersigned is directed to say that in pursuance of the decision taken by the Government on the recommendations of the 7th CPC, orders were issued vide this Deptt's OM of even number dated

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12.5.2017 for revision of pension/family pension in respect of pre-2016 pensioners/family pensioners by notionally fixing pay in the pay matrix recommended by the 7th CPC in the level corresponding to the pay in the pay scale/pay band and grade pay at which the Government servant/pensioner retired/died. Concordance tables for fixation of notional pay /pension of pre-2016 pensioners were issued vide this Department's OM of even number dated 6.7.2017.

2. References/representations have been received in this Department seeking clarification on the applicability of the OM dated 7.9.2016 for the purpose of notional pay fixation and revision of pension of pre-2016 pensioners and family pensioners w.e.f. 1.1.2016. The matter has been examined in consultation with the Ministry of Finance (Department of Expenditure). It is clarified that the benefit of additional increment has been granted to those officers who were serving as on 1.1.2016. Those who retired/died before 1.1.2016 are, therefore, not eligible for increment after retirement for the purpose of pension.

3. This issues with the approval of Department of Expenditure vide their I.D. No.1(3)/V-V/2018 dated 4.9.2018 and I.D. No.1(3)/V-V/2018 dated 28.11.2018

(S.K. Makkar)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

[Accessed on 06.02.2019 from <https://www.gconnect.in/orders-in-brief/pension/stagnation-increment-revision-pension-pre-2016-pensioners.html>]

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### **Procedural Impediments of CGHS Beneficiaries – Lok Sabha**

#### **GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO: 780  
ANSWERED ON: 14.12.2018

#### **Procedural Impediments of CGHS Beneficiaries**

JANARDAN SINGH SIGRIWAL

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:-

(a) whether the Government has made it mandatory for the CGHS beneficiaries who have been referred to CGHS empanelled hospitals, to report back to the concerned wellness centre to endorse investigations advised by the specialists at empanelled hospitals and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has taken note of inconvenience and harassment being faced by CGHS beneficiaries who have to visit dispensaries time and again for endorsement of such investigations and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

c) whether the Government has received representations in this regard and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the corrective measures taken/ proposed to be taken by the Government to simplify/change the procedure in this regard in the interest of sick people, pensioners and serving employees?

**ANSWER**  
**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND**  
**FAMILY WELFARE**  
**(SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)**

(a) & (b): Yes; The Government vide its Office Memorandum No. Z.15025/117/2017/ DIR/ CGHS/EHS, dated the 15th January, 2018 permitted all CGHS beneficiaries to seek OPD consultation from Specialists at Private Hospitals empanelled under CGHS after being referred by any Medical Officer/CMO of CGHS Wellness Centre. After consultation at empanelled hospitals beneficiary shall report back to concerned Wellness Centre, where Medical Officer/CMO would endorse listed investigation and issue medicines.

The Government has reviewed the matter and issued revised guidelines.

(c): Yes; some representations were received for permitting investigations on the advice of Specialist of Private Hospitals empanelled under CGHS.

(d): The guidelines for referral issued vide Office Memorandum No. Z.15025/117/2017/DIR/ CGHS/EHS, dated the 15th January, 2018 have been modified vide Office Memorandum No. Z.15025/117/2017/DIR/CGHS/EHS, dated the 10th December, 2018 and the following modifications have been made in the interest of sick people, pensioners and serving employees:-

- The referral shall be valid for consultations upto 3 times in the same hospital within 30 days.
- CGHS beneficiaries have been permitted to consult upto 3 Specialists, if required during a single visit.
- Investigations advised by Specialist of Private Empanelled Hospitals may be undertaken if they are required in emergency as certified by Specialist without endorsement by CGHS.

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**Pension Entitlements of employees retiring from the Central Government – No proposal to increase or decrease the age of retirement of Central Government Employees.**

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**

**MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS**

LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO: 1549  
ANSWERED ON: 19.12.2018  
Senior Citizen Entitlement of Employees

RAVINDRA VISHWANATH GAIKWAD  
Will the Minister of

PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:-

(a) whether the Government has worked out a plan to lower the age of senior citizen entitlement of employees to 58 years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is contemplating to increase or decrease the age for pension;

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE  
(DR. JITENDRA SINGH)**

(a) to (d): No Madam. Department of Social Justice & Empowerment has informed that there is at present no proposal in that Department for lowering the age of senior citizen. Government employees become entitle to pension on retirement. There is also no proposal to increase or decrease the age of retirement of Central Government Employees.

(e): The salient features of the pension entitlements of employees retiring from the Central Government are as under:

i. A Government servant retiring in accordance with the rules, after completing a qualifying service of not less than 10 years, is entitled to a pension @ 50% of his last pay or 50% of average emoluments for the last 10 months, whichever is more beneficial to him/her.

ii. After completion of 80 years of age or above, additional pension @ 20% to 100% is payable to the retired Government servant.

iii. A retired/retiring Government servant is entitled to, at his/her option, a lump sum payment, by commutation of a maximum of 40% of his/her pension.

iv. On retirement, a Government employee is entitled to a retirement gratuity based on his/her emoluments and length of qualifying service.

v. On death of a Central Government pensioner, the family is entitled to a family pension the amount of which is 50% of the last pay for a period of seven years, or for a period up to the date on which the retired deceased Government servant would have attained the age of 67 years had he/she survived, whichever is earlier. Thereafter, the amount of family pension is 30% of his last pay. The amount of family pension is also increased by 20% to 100% after the family pensioner attains the age of 80 years and above.

vi. The family of a Government servant, who dies while in service after having rendered not less than seven years' continuous service, is entitled to a family pension 50% of the last pay for a period of ten years. Thereafter, the amount of family pension is 30% of his/her last pay.

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**REVISION OF PENSION W.E.F. 1.1.2006 OF PRE-2006 PENSIONERS WHO RETIRED FROM THE 5TH CPC SCALE OF RS. 6500-10500/-.**

**No. 38/33112-P&PW (A)  
Government of India  
Ministry of Personnel, PG & Pensions  
Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare  
3rd Floor, Lok Nayak Bhawan  
Khan Market, New Delhi-I I 0 003  
Dated the 4th January, 2019**

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Sub : Revision of pension w.e.f. 1.1.2006 of Pre-2006 pensioners who retired from the 5th CPC scale of Rs. 6500-10500/-.**

The undersigned is directed to say that as per of pension of pre-2006 pensioners w.e.f. 1.1.2006, the revised pension w.e.f. 1.1.2006, in no case, shall be lower than 50% of the sum of the minimum of pay in

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the pay band and the grade pay thereon corresponding to the pre revised pay scale from which the pensioner had retired. Para 4.2 of this Department's OM of even number dated 01.09.2008 relating to revision

2. Instructions were issued vide this Department's OM of even number dated 28.1.2013 for stepping up of pension of pre-2006 pensioners w.e.f. 24.9.2012 to 50% of the sum of the minimum of pay in the pay band and the grade pay thereon corresponding to the pre-revised pay scale from which the pensioner had retired, as arrived at with reference to the fitment tables annexed to Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure's OM No. 111/2008-IC dated 30th August, 2008. A concordance table indicating the revised pension/family pension of pre-2006 pensioners in terms of instructions contained in para 4.2 of OM dated 1.9.2008 read with the OM dated 28.1.2013 was also annexed to the OM dated 28.1.2013. Subsequently, orders were issued vide this Department's OM of even number dated 30.7.2015 that the pension/family pension of all pre-2006 pensioners/family pensioners may be revised in accordance with this Department's OM No. 38/37/08-P&PW(A) dated 28.1.2013 with effect from 1.1.2006 instead of 24.9.2012.

3. In the aforesaid OM dated 28.1.2013 of Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare, the grade pay corresponding to the pre-revised pay scale of Rs. 6500-10500 was shown as Rs. 4200/- and the minimum pension in terms of para 4.2 of the OM dated 1.9.2008 was shown as Rs. 8145/- (50% of minimum pay of Rs. 16,290/- as per fitment table for the pre-revised scale of pay of Rs. 6500-10500, annexed to Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure's OM No. 111/2008-1C dated 30th August, 2008).

4. Order were issued vide Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure's OM No.1.1.2008-1C dated 13.11.2009 that the posts which were in the pre-revised scale of Rs. 6500-10500 as on 1.1.2006 and which were granted the normal replacement pay structure of grade pay of Rs. 4200/- in the pay band PB-2, will be granted grade pay of Rs. 4600/- in the pay band PB-2 corresponding to the pre-revised scale of Rs. 7450-11,500 w.e.f. 1.1.2006.

5. Representations have been received in this Department for extending the benefit of grade pay of Rs. 4600/- for revision of pension/family pension, w.e.f. 1.1.2006, in respect of Pre-2006 pensioners who retired/died in the 5th CPC scale of Rs. 6500-10500/- or equivalent pay scale in the earlier Pay Commission periods. The matter regarding the amount of minimum pension/family pension in terms of para 4.2 of the O.M. dated 1.9.2008 in their case has been re-examined in the light of the orders issued by Ministry of Finance (Department of Expenditure) vide their OM No.111/08-IC dated 13.11.2009 and decisions of courts in certain cases. It has been observed that pay of all serving employees in the pre-revised pay scale of Rs. 6500-10500/- has been fixed w.e.f.1.1.2006 in the grade pay of Rs. 4600/-. Therefore, the grade pay of Rs. 4600/- can be considered as the grade pay corresponding to the pre-revised pay scale of Rs. 6500-10500/-.

6. Accordingly, it has been decided that, for the purpose of revision of pension/family pension w.e.f. 1.1.2006 under para 4.2 of the O.M. dated 1.9.2008, the Grade Pay of Rs. 4600/- may be considered as the corresponding Grade pay in the case of pre-2006 pensioners who retired/died in the 5th CPC scale of Rs. 6500-10500/- or equivalent pay scale in the earlier Pay Commission periods,

7. In accordance with the provisions of Rule 7 of the CCS (Revised Pay) Rules, 2008, the pay corresponding to the pay of Rs. 6500/- in the pre-revised pay scale of Rs. 6500-10500/- would be Rs. 12090/- in the PB-2. After adding the grade pay of Rs. 4600/-, the pay in the Pay Band! Grade Pay corresponding to the pay of Rs. 6500/- in the pre-revised pay scale of Rs. 6500-10500 would be Rs. 16690/- (12090+4600). Accordingly, the revised pension w.e.f. 1.1.2006 in terms of para 4.2 of OM dated 1.9.2008, for the pre-2006 pensioners who retired from the pay scale of Rs.6500-10500/- in the 5th CPC or equivalent pay scales in the earlier Pay Commissions would be Rs.8345/-. Accordingly the entries at serial number 13 in the annexure of this Department's OM No.38/37/08-P&PW(A) dated 28.1.2013 may be substituted by the entries shown in the/statement annexed to this O.M.

8. As provided in this Department's OM dated 28.1.2013, in case the consolidated pension/family pension calculated as per para 4.1 of this Department's OM No. 38/37/08-P&PW(A) dated 1.9.2008 is higher than the pension/family pension calculated in the manner indicated above, the same (higher consolidated pension/family pension) will continue to be treated as basic pension/family pension.

9. In their application to the persons belonging to the India Audit and Accounts Department, these orders are issued in consultation with the comptroller and Auditor General of India.

10. All the Ministries/Departments are requested to bring the contents of these orders to the notice of Controller of Accounts/Pay and Accounts Officers and Attached and subordinate Offices under them. They are also requested to revise the pension of the affected pre-2006 pensioners in accordance with the instructions contained in this O.M. on a top priority basis.

11. Hindi version will follow.

(Harjit Singh)  
Director

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All Ministries/Departments of Government of India as per mailing list.

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**No. 1/24/2018-P & PW(E)**  
**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Personnel, P.G. & Pensions**  
**Department of Pension & Pensioners Welfare**

3rd Floor, Lok Nayak Bhawan,  
Khan Market, New Delhi,  
Dated 01.01.2019

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Sub:- Extension of provisions of OM No. 38/4/06-P&PW(A), dated 5.5.2009 for family pension to family to missing employees covered under NPS-reg.**

The undersigned is directed to refer to the following communications seeking clarification regarding applicability of the instructions regarding grant of family pensions and other benefits to the employees who go missing during service:

1. Ministry of Railways OM No. D-43/4/2018-F(E)III, dated 3.8.2018 and 8.10.2018
2. CPAO ID Note No. CPAO/NPS/2018-19/245, dated 10.5.2018
3. ITBP letter No. I-31016/109/Pension/49 Bn/2015, dated 30.7.2018 and 16.10.2018

2. The department is in the process of framing separate service rules for regulating the pensionary benefits to the NPS employees. The question of extension of pensionary benefits to the families of missing NPS employees will be considered based on the NPS rules being finalized.

(Sanjay Shankar)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

- (1) CPAO (Shri P.K. Sapra, Sr. AO), Trikoot-II, Bhikaji Karna Place, New Delhi.
- (2) Ministry of Railways {Ms. G. Priya Sudarsani, JD, Finance (Estt), Railway Board, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi.
- (3) ITBP (Shri S.P. Dubey, CAO, CRO), Block-9 East, R.K. Puram, New Delhi

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17 December, 2018

PENSIONERS DAY-2018

RESOLUTION

CHARTER OF DEMANDS ADOPTED ON 17 DECEMBER, 2018

(TO BE PRESENTED TO SHRI NARENDRA MODI, HON'BLE PRIME MINISTER OF INDIA)

**INTRODUCTION**

Ours is a well established organization of Chandigarh region, representing more than 12 departmental pensioners associations. We are engaged in spreading awareness about various Government schemes concerning the Pension, Healthcare & other related matters affecting the elderly pensioners, and coordinating their efforts for a fruitful and robust life in the penultimate years of their life, at a standard / status, which they had enjoyed in their younger days while in service. We organize various activities, hold meetings and share not only our experiences, but also apprise them of latest trends in economic, healthcare and general life matters.

The pensioners of the region have gathered today, to celebrate the auspicious day – PENSIONERS DAY, when (17 December, 1982), they had achieved the due recognition in society by the Apex Court monumental judgment in the D S Nakra case. It is with great expectations, that we are putting forward our points for early solution to the problems, which are still agitating the minds of the pensioners. It is hoped that these would be addressed on priority.

There is a feel that one has to resort to rallies or agitation or on intervention of the courts, to achieve one's objectives. The elderly pensioners would rather shun this attitude, not because of their fragile and feeble stature, but because they are disciplined, sober and believe in the more acceptable forms to draw the attention of the authorities to their genuine problems. Sir, we are grateful to the present Government in addressing the basic concerns of the elderly pensioners, and implementing most of the recommendations of the 7th Central Pay Commission (7th CPC), but there are still some grey areas, which are agitating the minds of over 25 lakh pensioners of the nation. In the twilight years of their life, pensioners' main concerns are financial security, healthcare and social security. It is hoped that the present Government under your dynamic leadership, would expeditiously attend to the remaining problems of the pensioners. Main points which need your personal attention are listed in the paras below.

**Pension Related**

1.Revision of Pension of Pre-2016 Pensioners-Restoration of Option 1, recommended by 7th CPC as additional Option for Revision of Pension & Revision of Multiplication factor:

(i) Out of the two options for revision of pension of pre-2016 pensioners, the Government accepted the second recommendation of multiplication factor of 2.57, but the main recommendation (Option 1), for revision of pension on the bases of number of increments earned by a pensioner before retirement was not found feasible, and the Government implemented a fresh option of revising the pay of the retirees from one CPC to next CPC considering them in service on notional basis, and finally arriving at the 7th CPC scales. 50% of this was fixed as pension. This formula, although beneficial to pensioners who had retired at later dates, had resulted in a great loss to the older and elderly pensioners who had retired earlier. A case was initiated for retaining option 1 recommended by the 7th CPC and a representation was submitted to the Government, which is still pending final decision by the Government It is recommended that all three formulae may be offered to the pre-2016 pensioners and the option

favourable/beneficial to individual pensioners be applied.

(ii) The case for upward revision of the multiplication factor (2.57) is still pending decision of the Government, in spite of the assurance given by a group of ministers, as back as 2016, but even at the fag end of present tenure of the current Parliament, no action has been taken. It is strongly advocated that action on this may kindly be taken at the earliest.

### **2. Extension of benefits of merged and upgraded posts under 6th CPC to Past Pensioners**

The 6th CPC had merged and upgraded some existing posts to higher grade for the post January, 2006 retirees, leaving the past pensioners in the lurch. This had generated heart-burning among the pre-2006 pensioners who had retired from the same post. As all pensioners are considered as one community, this distinction created a separate class of pensioners amongst the equals. Pension is considered as the deferred wages for the past service. In certain cases the affected past pensioners had to knock the doors of courts / CAT, which had given judgments in their favour, but the Government has not responded positively. In the case of CAPF personnel, one such post was in the Rank of 'Additional Deputy Inspector General' (ADIG) in the pay scale of 4500-5700 (with an additional allowance) under 5th CPC. These officers performed the duties of the Deputy Inspector General (DIG), during their service in the scale of 5100-150-6150 (5th CPC). After retirement their pension was fixed in the lower Pay scale PB4 with GP - 8700 under 6th CPC. The officers, who had retired after January, 2006 from the same rank of ADIG, were upgraded to the Rank of DIG in the 6th CPC scales PB4 with GP 8900. This created an odd situation leading to huge financial loss to pre-2006 retirees of the same category, thereby creating separate unequal groups within equally placed pensioners. As pension is the continuity of service, it is in the best interest of justice for all similarly placed personnel, are extend the provision of all merged and upgraded posts/ scales to all existing past pensioners of pre-2006 vintage.

### **3. Restoration of OPS in respect of employees inducted after January, 2004**

The Government had introduced NPS for persons joining Government service after January, 2004. The NPS was also extended to the CAPFs, where the employees are statutory retired at an earlier age of 57 years, three years earlier than their civilian counterparts, who superannuate at the age of 60 years, whereby, the accumulated funds in the NPS accounts, in their case, fall much short of the accumulation by other civil employees. This puts the CAPF personnel at a great disadvantage, and the loss in their case is to the tune of Lakhs of rupees towards their retirement benefits. As the duties of CAPF personnel are very much akin to the army / defense services, the CAPF personnel may be considered extension of CCS (Pension) Rules 1972, as was the case prior to January, 2004

### **4. Extension of status of 'Organized service' and NFU to CAPF personnel.**

The CAPF group 'A' officers are suffering great loss in their service, as well as retirement benefit because of the denial of the status of Organized service status to CAPF, vis-à-vis other civil services. A Division Bench of Delhi High Court, in the matter of conferring the status of 'Organized Service Cadre' to CAPFs had ruled the same in favour of the petitioners- CAPF personnel. However, the formal approval, and notification in this respect is pending over number of years as the Central Government has gone into an appeal in the Supreme Court against this judgment. This is adversely affecting the morale of the CAPF cadre officers, who are denied the benefit of 'Non Functional Up gradation' (NFU), leading to loss in their service emoluments and retirement benefits, as against their civil counterparts. The SLP lodged in the Apex Court against this judgment may kindly be withdrawn.

### **5. Extension of Court judgments to all similarly placed pensioners**

It is a settled principle of Law that where there are similarly situated persons, the Government should, unilaterally grant the same relief to all similarly placed personnel. Once a pension or service related issue has attained legal finality, it should be extended to all similarly placed personnel, and they should not be forced to seek similar relief by approaching the courts. Once the court has finalized an issue affecting pensioners, the Government must resist going into appeal to higher courts. Apex Court has already held- "of the department concerned and to accept that they will be given the benefits of declaration When a citizen aggrieved by the Government, department has approached the court and obtained a declaration

of law in his favour, others, in like circumstances should be able to rely on the senses of responsibility without need to take their grievances to the court”

#### **6. Grant of notional increment to pensioners, retiring on 30 June, and 31 December**

The 6th CPC had recommended the grant of notional increment to the employees who retire on 30 June and 31 December after putting in one full year service, for calculation of pension emoluments. This recommendation was not accepted by the Government Madras High Court, in Writ Petition No 15732/2017, passed a judgment in the favour of the pensioner litigants. The SLP filed by the GoI in the Apex Court against this judgment was also dismissed, thereby establishing clearly that the employees who complete one full year service as on 30 June, and 31

December, as the case may be, should be granted one notional increment, notwithstanding the fact that the increment fell the next day, when the employee has retired. The Government granted the notional increment to the petitioners only, while denying the same benefit to other similarly placed pensioners on the plea that the Madras Court judgment applied to individual pensioners only. (This was stated by a minister in reply to a Parliament Question). This stand of the Government is contrary to the norms initiated by the Apex court, and would force other similarly placed pensioners to seek remedy from the courts of law. It is enjoined that the benefit of notional increment be granted to all similarly placed pensioners for the calculation of their pension.

#### **7. Inclusion of dependant daughter-in-law in the definition of family for the purpose of pension**

Under Section 19 of Hindu Adoption and Maintenance Act, 1956, daughter-in-law is entitled to be maintained after the death of her husband by her father-in-law. She is held to be dependent on father-in-law under section 21(vii) of the said Act. Therefore exclusion of widowed daughter-in-law from the definition of family for the purpose of family pension is unjustified. It is urged that the name of daughter-in-law as a dependent family member for pension may kindly be considered. The process of streamlining the rules for family pension, which has been initiated, as per DoP&PW vide No 38/7/18/-P&PW dated 11-07-2018, must be accelerated.

#### **8. Revision of pension of Pension of BSNL Pensioners**

The BSNL employees absorbed in DOT are getting pension from DOT, as per CCS (Pension) Rules 1972 as per para 37A. However, their pension is revised only after the revision of the pay of BSNL employees. BSNL pensioners had demanded de-linking of their pension from the revision of the BSNL employees which was accepted by the Government So it is requested that pension of BSNL pensioners be revised since 1/1/2016 as per the 7th CPC recommendations or with 15% fixation benefit as recommended by the 3rd PRC.

### **HEALTHCARE**

Health is an important factor in the life of pensioners, who are prone to many ailments in the evening of their life, so it requires special attention of the Government, and the concerned officials. In India, the Health budget is dismally low and pegged at only 4% of the GDP. However, the health schemes introduced by the Government for the central Government employees and pensioners is a boon, and takes care of their health related problems to a large extent. The CGHS, ECHS and RELHS etc provide quality healthcare to the aged pensioners. Although the pooling of these health schemes, as recommended by 7th CPC, is still a far cry, yet, most of the civil pensioners are enjoying the facility of CGHS. The CGHS has lately taken steps to streamline and simplify the healthcare to the CGHS beneficiaries, yet there is still scope to improve these facilities.

#### **1. Need for proper premises for CGHS establishments and Wellness centres**

The Government has in the recent past, sanctioned additional CGHS dispensaries at various locations, but has not ensured proper premises to locate these dispensaries in the cities of these dispensaries. The new CGHS dispensary (Wellness Centres) sanctioned for Jalandhar, is still looking for proper accommodation, and the lone existing Wellness centre, at Chandigarh is functioning from a part of the city hospital, courtesy Chandigarh Administration with inadequate accommodation and lacking some basic facilities. The central Government may kindly direct the concerned authorities to ensure proper

premises and accommodation in all CGHS cities.

## **2. Conveying sanction to Chandigarh Administration for allotment of earmarked premises to CGHS by Ministry of Home Affairs for CGHS set-up in Chandigarh**

A plot measuring 0.46 acres in Sector 41B, Chandigarh, had been earmarked for allotment to the CGHS for the establishment of CGHS Wellness Centre (Dispensary), and the Administrative Office of the Additional Director, CGHS, way back in 2010 under a scheme, for allotment of land to public related organizations at concessional rates. However, a prior formal approval from Ministry of Home (MHA) is required, to allot the plot at the controlled concessional rates to the CGHS, as against commercial rates. The formal sanction/approval for this is pending at MHA level for last number of years. The plot of land is required in public interest, and also in the best interest of ailing pensioners. In spite of taking up case with the MHA and also with the PMO, the required sanction is still pending due frivolous action by the PMO. The local MP, Smt Kirron Kher had also written a D O to the Hon'ble Home Minister, as early as March, 2016, but no positive response has been received till date. Our representations to Hon'ble Prime Minister, has response from PMO, but on ineffective lines. In spite of clarification submitted to the Hon'ble P M to direct MHA to convey formal sanction to Chandigarh administration, to allot the plot to CGHS at concessional rates to CGHS has not materialized till date. The elderly pensioner CGHS patients continue to suffer congestion and overcrowding at the existing location of the Wellness Centre. Hon'ble P M is again implored to kindly direct HMA to convey approval to Chandigarh Administration on priority to bring due scour to the pensioner CGHS beneficiaries.

## **3. Rush of Patients at the Chandigarh CGHS Wellness Centre-need for additional WCs**

The existing CGHS Wellness Centre,(WC) at Chandigarh continues to face huge rush of patients. There are more than 32,000 CGHS beneficiaries registered for this Wellness Centre, as against norm of 6000 beneficiaries. The daily footfall at the WC touches 450 to 500 patients on daily basis. There are six MOs on the strength of this WC, including the CMO, and these MOs are over-burdened, each MO attending to almost 95 to 100 patients on daily basis. The overcrowding at the WC is testing the patience of the elderly patients, who are exposed to sultry conditions especially in summer, thereby escalating their ailment. There is a need to establish at least one additional CGHS Wellness Centre for Chandigarh and one each at Mohali and Panchkula. Hon'ble P M is earnestly requested to address this problem.

## **4. Delay in implementation of merger of P&T dispensaries with CGHS**

It is learnt that DOE has accorded approval to convert/ merge P&T dispensaries with CGHS, and the file has been returned to MoH&FW. It is enjoined that MoH&FW may be directed to issue formal orders for such conversion of P&T dispensaries into CGHS WCs, and merge other P&T dispensaries with the CGHS WCs at the earliest. There are 33 Postal dispensaries in India, and out of these, three are located in Punjab and Haryana (Ambala, Jalandhar and Amritsar). These new CGHS WCs will reduce the pressure on the lone CGHS WC in Chandigarh and provide wholesome medical aid to large number of pensioners, including P&T / Postal personnel.

## **5. Restoration of Fixed Medical Allowance to BSNL pensioners.**

Fixed Medical Allowance had been restored to BSNL pensioners, but reduced to 25% from 50% of the annual limits without vouchers for reimbursement. The need for medical cover increases with advance in age, and the amount @ 25% is very low, to meet the needs. It is requested that the FMA to BSNL pensioners be restored to 50% of the limit with vouchers.

## **6. Refund of extra amount deposited as contribution by BSNL pensioners for CGHS membership.**

BSNL / P&T pensioners had been extended the CGHS cover on yearly basis, as per court ruling, from 2003 till 2017, when the Government restored the facility to all BSNL / P&T pensioners, at par with other central Government civil pensioners. Most of the BSNL / P&T pensioners had made contribution to CGHS for more than 10 years. As per CGHS norms, the pensioners are granted 'Life membership', when their contribution for 10 years has been made. It is earnestly requested that the extra contribution made by BSNL/ P&T pensioners to CGHS may be refunded to the affected BSNL / P&T CGHS members.

17 December, 2018

(G S Saini)  
Chairman

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**Ministry of Finance****Cabinet approves release of an additional instalment of DA to Central Government employees and DR to Pensioners, due from 1.1.2019**

Posted On: 19 FEB 2019 9:23PM by PIB Delhi

The Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi has given its approval to the release of an additional instalment of Dearness Allowance (DA) to Central Government employees, and Dearness Relief (DR) to pensioners w.e.f. 1.1.2019 representing an increase of 3% over the existing rate of 9% of the Basic Pay/Pension, to compensate for price rise. This increase is in accordance with the accepted formula, which is based on the recommendations of the 7th Central Pay Commission (CPC). The combined impact on the exchequer on account of both DA and DR would be Rs. 9168.12 crore per annum and Rs. 10696.14 crore in the FY 2019-20 (for a period of 14 months from January 2019 to February, 2020). This will benefit about 48.41 lakh Central Government employees and 62.03 lakh pensioners.

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**Ministry of Health and Family Welfare****Cabinet approves transfer of 50.76 acres land at Sarangpur, Chandigarh to the PGIMER, Chandigarh**

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The Union Cabinet chaired by the Prime Minister Narendra Modi has approved the proposal for transfer of 50.76 acres of land at Sarangpur, Chandigarh to the Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education & Research, Chandigarh.

This will benefit in screening OPD patients, triaging the patients and managing them optimally. Cancer management research & Palliative care would be provided under one roof besides setting up of Learning Resource Centre (LRC) and Multi Level Parking etc.

The setting up of New OPD, Shifting of Trauma Centre, Cancer Care, and LRC, the waiting time for surgeries will decrease for the common man. Emergency services will be available in a highly efficient manner, infrastructural medical facilities will improve considerably for the common man.

This will benefit the poorest of the poor patients attending the PGIMER, Chandigarh. Health services and tertiary care will be more effective.

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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD ON 16-2-2019 IN CGHS  
WELLNESS CENTRE NO 1, Sector-45 CHANDIGARH**

Before the Start of Meeting Two minutes silence was observed in the memory of PULWAMA Martyrs who lost their life in Terrorist Attack on 14-2-2019.

The meeting started there after which was presided over by Dr.(Mrs) Sunita Chaudhary, Senior CMO(SAG) I/C CGHS Wellness Centre, Sector 45, Chandigarh and attended by the following members.

- 1.Sh.Jaspal Singh, Gen. Secretary DAPWA Chandigarh(M0b.9815226310)
  - 2.Sh.M.L. Panghotra, IA&AD Pensioners Welfare Association. Chd. (Mob 9217912203)
  - 3.Sh.M.S.Toor Comdtt.PMF Retd. CGPW Society (Mob. 9876111633)
  - 4.D.D.Sharma, Survey of India Rep of Serving employees, Chandigarh(Mob.9417184124)
- Dr. Mrs. Sunita Chaudhary, CMO welcomed the members of the advisory committee.

One of the members of advisory committee Sh. Jaspal Singh raised the question that in view of the decision given by the supreme court that payment of MRC should be made within 45 days in Delhi and 60 days in other cities but this decision is not being implemented yet. Dr. Mrs. Chaudhary replied that the delay occurred due to some technical error in the new module for payment which is now being rectified.

The advisory committee was also apprised by Dr. Mrs. Chaudhary that the procurement agencies have been fixed and about 300 items of generic medicines are being procured from Amrit Pharmacy and MSD Karnal .

It was also discussed in the meeting that efforts for obtaining space in the government dispensary sector 49 Chandigarh should be made with the administration .

The CMO in charge also introduced the doctors in the wellness centre to the advisory committee . The members requested all the doctors to keep patience while dealing with the very old patients , who some time lose their patience A positive response from all the doctors was given to the advisory committee.

**Amenities to the beneficiaries**

No proposal for offering of alternative premises to CGHS has been received from the Chandigarh Administration.

**MRC Status / Pendency of claims**

The payment of MRC up to March 2018 has been made.

**Performance of the local chemist**

There has been no problem with the supply of local purchased medicines from the local chemist.

**Availability of the drugs in the wellness centre**

As told that there are 300 generic and about 65 proprietary there are available in the wellness centre .No problem is being faced by the CGHS beneficiaries in supply of medicines.

**Staff Punctuality and behaviour**

The conduct and the behaviour of the staff of the wellness centre has been good .

**Cleanliness & Maintenance of wellness centre**

Under the prevailing circumstances the upkeep of the premises is appreciable.

**Suggestion / Grievance redressal**

No letter was found in the grievances box.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks.

Dr. Mrs. Sunita Chaudhary  
Senior CMO ( SAG )  
I/C CGHS Wellness Centre No.1  
Sector 45 , Chandigarh.

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