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**DA from July 2019 for Central Government employees – Finance Ministry Orders for increase in DA from 12% to 17% No. 1/3/2019-E- II (B)
Government of India, Ministry of Finance
Department of Expenditure**

North Block, New Delhi
Dated the 14th October, 2019.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Grant of Dearness Allowance to Central Government employees- Revised Rates effective from 1.7.2019.

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Ministry's Office Memorandum No. 1.11/2019-E II (B) dated 27th February, 2019 on the subject mentioned above and to say that the President is pleased to decide that the Dearness Allowance payable to Central Government employees shall be enhanced from the existing rate of 12% to 17% of the basic pay with effect from 1st July, 2019.

2. The term 'basic pay' in the revised pay structure means the pay drawn in the prescribed Level in the Pay Matrix as per 7th CPC recommendations accepted by the Government, but does not include any other type of pay like special pay, etc.
3. The Dearness Allowance will continue to be a distinct element of remuneration and will not be treated as pay within the ambit of FR 9(21).
4. The payment on account of Dearness Allowance involving fractions of 50 paise and above may be rounded to the next higher rupee and the fractions of less than 50 paise may be ignored.
5. These orders shall also apply to the civilian employees paid from the Defence Services Estimates and the expenditure will be chargeable to the relevant head of the Defence Services Estimates. In respect of Armed Forces personnel and Railway employees, separate orders will be issued by the Ministry of Defence and Ministry of Railways, respectively.
6. In so far as the employees working in the Indian Audit and Accounts Department are concerned, these orders are issued with the concurrence of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India.

(Nirmala Dev)

Deputy Secretary to the Government of India

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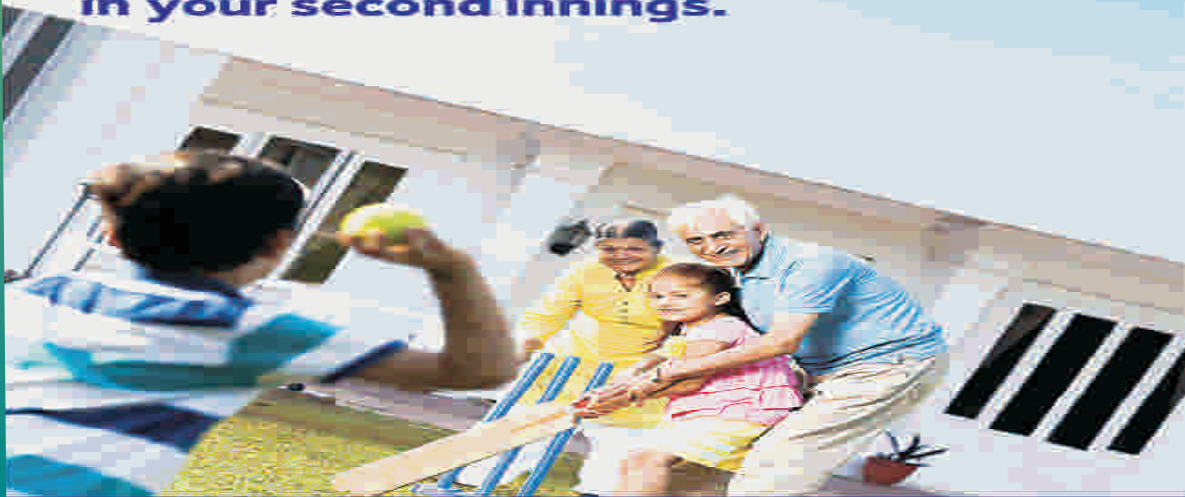
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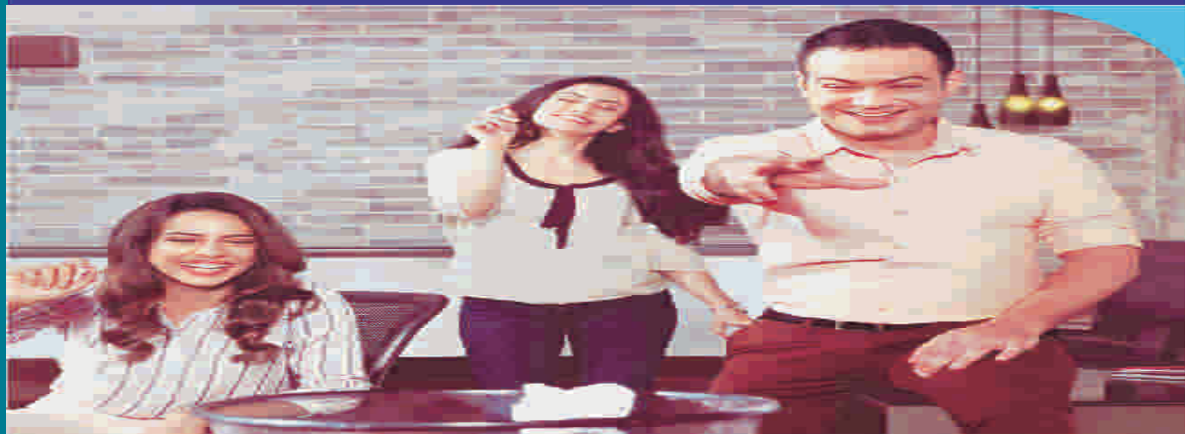
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**Extract of Section 158 of the Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Act, 2019
Production of certain certificates, licence and permit in certain case**

158. (1) Any person driving a motor vehicle in any public place shall, on being so required by a police officer in uniform authorised in this behalf by the State Government, produce—

- (a) the certificate of insurance;
- (b) the certificate of registration;
- (c) the pollution under control certificate;
- (d) the driving licence;
- (e) in the case of a transport vehicle, also the certificate of fitness referred to in section 56, and the permit; and
- (f) any certificate or authorisation of exemption that has been granted under this Act, relating to the use of the vehicle.

(2) Where, owing to the presence of a motor vehicle in a public place, an accident occurs involving death or bodily injury to another person, if the driver of the vehicle does not at that time produce the required certificate, driving licence and permit referred to in sub-section (1) to a police officer, he or the owner shall produce the said certificates, licence and permit at the police station at which the driver makes the report required by section 134.

(3) No person shall be liable to conviction for offences under sub-section (1) or sub-section (2) by reason of the failure to produce the required certificate if, within seven days from the date on which its production was required under sub-section (1), or as the case may be, from the date of occurrence of the accident, he produces the certificate at such police station as may have been specified by him to the police officer who required its production or, as the case may be, to the police officer at the site of the accident or to the officer-in-charge of the police station at which he reported the accident: Provided that except to such extent and with such modifications as may be prescribed, the provisions of this sub-section shall not apply to the driver of a transport vehicle.

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**No. RT-11028/15/2017-MVL Government of India
Ministry of Road Transport and Highways
(MVL Section)
Transport Bhawan, 1, Parliament Street, New Delhi -11001**

Dated the, 19th November, 2018

To,

- I. The Director General of Police,
- II. The Principal Secretaries/The Secretaries, Department of Transport,
- III. The Transport Commissioners of all the states/UTs.

Subject: Production of transport related documents in electronic form-reg.

Madam/Sir,

Your attention is drawn to the amendment in rule 139 of Central Motor Vehicles rules, 1989 in regard to the production of licence and certificates of registration made through the Notification G.S.R. 1081(E) dated 2nd November, 2018. (copy attached).

2. As per amended provision, the citizen can produce the transport related documents such

registration, insurance, fitness and permit, the driving licence, certificate for pollution under check and any other relevant documents, if required, in physical or electronic form of an demand by any police officer in uniform or any other officer authorized by the State Government in this behalf.

3. This would enable the use of digital platforms for carrying and verification of the documents and is a step towards citizen facilitation. In view of the above, it is requested to ensure compliance of the amendments made to rule 139 of the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989 and make the enforcement officer aware of the new provisions so that citizen are not harassed/inconvenienced.

Encls As Above

Yours faithfully,
Sd/-
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Disposal of PPO – death of the pensioner with no claimant authorized for family pension in the same PPO.

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CPAO/IT&Tech/Bank Performance/37 Vol.III/2018-19/85

20.08.2018

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: - Manner of disposal of PPO – death of the pensioner with no claimant authorized for family pension in the same PPO.

Attention is invited to this office OM No. CPAO/Tech/Bank Performance/2014-15/511-581 dated- 23.09.2011- (copy enclosed) wherein all Heads of the CPPC and Heads of Government Business Department of the Banks were instructed to return both halves of PPO to CPAO where no nominee is authorized for pension on the same PPO so that the family pension could be authorized to other eligible members of the family of the pensioner.

It has been observed that the both halves of the PPOs are not being returned by the CPPCs of the banks which has resulted in a number of court cases for delay in the commencement of family pension to the family pensioner other than the spouse.

It is reiterated that both halves of the PPO may be returned to the CPAO in case there is no nominee authorized for family pension on the same PPO exist as stipulated at per Para 23.3 of the Scheme for Payment of Pension to Central Government Civil Pensioners by Authorized Banks (Fourth Edition, 3rd December, 2004).

As per Para 23.3 of the Scheme for Payment of Pension to Central Government Civil Pensioners by Authorized Banks (Fourth Edition, 3rd December, 2004), wherein it is clearly stated that "The paying branch will enter the date of death of the pensioner in the disburser's portion of the PPO as well as pensioner's portion and in the register in the form as in Annexure VIII (pg. 33). The pensioner's half of

PPO will then be returned to the nominee if family pension stands authorized through the same PPO; otherwise it will be returned to the Link Branch/CPPC along with the disbursers' half, for onward transmission to the CPAO. The latter will up-date its record and transmit both halves of the PPO after keeping the necessary note in their records, to the PAO/AG who had issued the PPO for similar action and record".

All the Heads of the CPPC and Heads of Government Business Department of the Banks are requested to adhere to the above guidelines and return both halves of the PPO to the CPAO in order to avoid delay in finalization of family pension cases other than spouse.

This issues with the approval of Chief Controller (Pensions].

(Md. Shahid Kamal Ansari)
(Asstt. Controller of Accounts)

The non-compliance of these instructions by the banks is resulting increase in receipt of number of court cases and legal cases in CPAO, non-updation of CPAO's and PAO's relevant record, delay in authorization of family pension to the eligible family members for whom a new PPO is to be issued, causing hardship to the claimants, points raised by the Pensioners' Welfare Associations from different platforms including SCOVA meetings.

The Para 6.3.1 of the CPPC Guidelines also stressed upon the strict adherence to the codal provisions of "Scheme Booklet", CCS(Pension) Rules, Orders, Guidelines on Pension issued by Government of India/Reserve Bank of India from time to time.

Non-compliance of codal provisions by the banks is a very serious lapse on their part. Therefore, it is imperative to instruct the Heads of CPPC of all the banks/ Heads of Govt. Business Divisions to take a stock of these cases and send a Review Report within seven days from the receipt of this Office Memorandum followed by returning of both the halves of all such PPOs wherein pensioner/spouse has died and no claimant for family pension has been authorized in the PPO. The matter may be taken on priority as it is under review at the higher level.

This issues with the approval of Chief Controller (Pensions).

(M.M Kaushik)
Asstt. Controller of Accounts

[Accessed on 01.10.2018 from <https://www.govtempdiary.com/2018/08/disposal-of-ppo-death-of-the-pensioner-with-no-claimant-authorized-for-family-pension-in-the-same-ppo/44710>]

**DoPT clarified the issues of amendments made in CCS (leave) rules, 1972 to central Government employees
No. 11020/01/2017-Estt. (L)
Government of India
Ministry of Personnel PG & Pensions
Department of Personnel & Training
Old JNU Campus,**

New Delhi
Date: 30.08.2019

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Amendment in the CCS (Leave) Rules, 1972 consequent upon the implementation of the recommendations of 7th CPC.

The undersigned is directed to say that the Government has accepted the recommendations of the 7th CPC and implemented the same vide Notification dated 11.12.2018. This Notification has been

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uploaded in the Department's website also at the address. However, despite issue of the notification in this regard, some employees have been seeking formal and informal clarifications with regard to the amendments carried through the above Notification. Keeping this in view, following clarifications specifying the amendments carried out in the CCS (Leave) Rules, 1972 vide the above said Notification are issued:

I. The amendments made in the CCS (Leave) Rules, 1972 vide Notification dated 11.12.2018, have come into force w.e.f. 14.12.2018 when the Notification was published in the official gazette.

II. Government servants serving in a Vacation Department have been allowed Earned Leave in place of Half Pay Leave by amending Rule 28 and Rule 29.

III. With the amendment of Rule 43-C relating to Child Care Leave (CCL), following changes have been made:-

(a) CCL may be granted at 100% of the leave salary for the first 365 days and 80% of the leave salary for the next 365 days.

(b) CCL may be extended to single male parents who may include unmarried or widower or divorcee employees.

(c) For single female Government servants, the CCL may be granted for six spells in a calendar year. However, for other eligible Government servants, it will continue to be granted for a maximum of 3 spells in a calendar year.

IV. "Special Disability Leave for injury intentionally inflicted" under Rule 44 has been substituted by a new Leave named "Work Related Illness and Injury Leave (WRIL)" which may be granted to a Government servant (whether permanent or temporary), who suffers illness or injury that is attributable to or aggravated in the performance of her or his official duties or in consequence of her or his official position. With the introduction of WRIL, "Special Disability Leave for accidental injury" (under Rule 45) and Hospital Leave (under Rule 46) have been deleted. WRIL has following provisions:-

(a) Full pay and allowances will be granted to all employees during the entire period of hospitalization on account of WRIL.

(b) Beyond hospitalization, WRIL will be governed as follows:

(i) Government servants (other than military officers) will be paid full pay and allowances for the 6 months immediately following hospitalization and Half Pay only for 12 months beyond that period. The Half Pay period may be commuted to full pay with corresponding number of days of HPL debited from the employee's leave account.

(ii) For officers of the Central Armed Police Forces (CAPF), full pay and allowances will be paid for the 6 months immediately following hospitalization, and full pay only for the next 24 months.

(iii) Personnel below the rank of officers of CAPF will be paid full pay and allowances, with no limit regarding the period of leave.

(iv) In the case of persons to whom the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1923 applies, the amount of leave salary payable under WRIL shall be reduced by the amount of compensation payable under the Act.

(v) No EL or HPL will be credited during the period that employee is on WRIL.

(Rajendra Prasad Tewari)
Under Secretary to the Government of India
Tele. No. 26164316

[Accessed on 03.10.2019 from <https://www.govtempdiary.com/2019/10/dopt-clarified-the-issues-of-amendments-made-in-ccsleave-rules-1972-to-central-government-employees/59066>]

CCS (Pension) Second Amendment Rules, 2019.
MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
(Department of Pension and Pensioners' Welfare)
NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 19th September, 2019

G.S.R. 673(E).— In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to article 309 and clause (5) of article 148 of the Constitution and after consultation with the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India in relation to persons serving in the Indian Audit and Accounts Department, the President hereby makes the following rules further to amend the Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules, 1972, namely:-

1. Short title and commencement.

(1) These rules may be called the Central Civil Services (Pension) Second Amendment Rules, 2019.

(2) They shall come into force from 1st day of October, 2019

2. In the Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules, 1972,-

(i) in rule 54,

(a) in sub-rule (3), –

(A) in clause (a), in sub-clause (i), the words “after having rendered not less than seven years’ continuous service” shall be omitted;

(B) in clause (b), in sub-clause (i), the words “after having rendered not less than seven years’ continuous service” shall be omitted;

(b) after sub-rule (3), the following sub-rule shall be inserted, namely: –

“(3A) Where of a Government servant who died within ten years before the 1st day of October, 2019, without completing, continuous service of seven years, his family shall be eligible for family pension at enhanced rates in accordance with sub-rule (3) with effect from the 1st day of October, 2019, subject to fulfilment of other conditions for grant of family pension.”

(ii) in rule 79, for clauses (a) and (b), the following clauses shall be substituted, namely:-

(a) For the purpose of Family Pension, 1964, if the family of the deceased Government servant has become eligible for family pension in accordance with sub-rule (2) of rule 54, the amount of family pension and the period for which it is payable shall be determined in accordance with sub-rule (3) of rule 54 within one month from the date of receipt of intimation of the date of death of the Government servant.

b) For the purpose of death gratuity,–

(i) If the entire service rendered by the deceased Government servant is not capable of being verified and accepted, the amount of death gratuity shall be provisionally determined in accordance with clause (b) of sub-rule (1) of rule 50 on the basis of the length of qualifying service which is verified and accepted immediately preceding the date of death of the Government servant and the amount of death gratuity, so determined shall be authorised to the beneficiaries on provisional basis within one month from the date of receipt of intimation of date of death of the Government servant.

(ii) The final amount of the death gratuity shall be determined by the Head of Office on the acceptance and verification of the entire spell of service by him within a period of six months from the date on which the authority for the payment of provisional death gratuity was issued and the balance, if any, becoming payable as a result of determination of the final amount of death gratuity shall then be authorised to the beneficiaries.”;

(iii) for Form 18, the following Form shall be substituted, namely:-

Download Notification & form 18 from <https://www.govtempdiary.com/2019/09/ccs-pension-second-amendment-rules-2019/58913>

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Shiva Gopal Mishra
Secretary

No.NC/JCM/2019/Health

Dated: September 26, 2019

The Secretary,

Government of India

Ministry of Health and family welfare

Nirman Bhawan,

New Delhi

Respected Madam,

Review of the Income criteria for the dependent parents of Government Employees in the wake of the recent legislation of "Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior citizens Act 2007".

The above demand was discussed as Item No.23 of the Standing Committee meeting of the National Council (JCM) held on 07.03.2019. The extract from the minutes of the above meeting is given below for your kind reference.

'Staff side Requested to consider removing the enactment of the above act by the Parliament, to enable the dependent of Government employees to avail medical treatment, since the act has made it mandatory for the Children to care for their parents at the old age. The CAT Ernakulam Bench has given a judgment in this regard.

Chairman desired that the Min, of Health may review this issue.'

The Ministry of Health have not yet taken a favourable decision to implement the above provisions of the "Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act 2007". It is therefore requested that since the CAT Ernakulam Judgment was already implemented for the petitioner it is requested that General Government order may please to be issued for extending the benefit of the above Act to all the Central Government employees.

Thank you.
Yours faithfully,
(Shiva Gopal Mishra)
Secretary

[Accessed on 03.10.2019 from <https://www.govtempdiary.com/2019/10/enable-the-dependent-of-govt-employees-to-avail-medical-treatment/59088>]

**Rate of DA (148% to 154%) applicable to Central Government & Central Autonomous Bodies
(6th CPC) – FINMIN Order
No. 1/3(1)/2008-E.II(B)
Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Expenditure

North Block, New Delhi
Dated the 8th March, 2019,

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: - Rate of Dearness Allowance applicable w.e.f. 01.01.2019 to the employees of Central Government and Central -Autonomous Bodies continuing to draw their pay in the pre-revised pay scale/Grade Pay as per 6th Central Pay Commission

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Department's O.M. O.M. No. 1/3/2008-E.II(B) dated 11th September, 2018 revising the rate of Dearness Allowance (DA) w.e.f. 01.07.2018 in respect of employees of Central Government and Central Autonomous Bodies continuing to draw their pay in the pre-revised pay scale/Grade Pay as per 6th Central Pay Commission.

2. The rate of DA admissible to above categories of employees of Central Government and Central Autonomous Bodies shall be enhanced from the existing 148% to 154% w.e.f. 01.01.2019.

3. The provisions contained in paras 3, 4 and 5 of this Ministry's O.M.No.1(3)/2008-E.II(B) dated 29th August, 2008 shall continue to be applicable while regulating Dearness Allowance under these orders.

4. The payment of arrears of Dearness Allowance shall not be made before the date of disbursement of salary of March, 2019.

5. The contents of this Office Memorandum may also be brought to the notice of all organisations under the administrative control of the Ministries/Departments which have adopted the Central Government scales of pay.

(A. Bandyopadhyay)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

[Accessed on 03.10.2019 from <https://www.govtempdiary.com/2019/03/rate-of-da148-to-154-applicable-to-central-government-central-autonomous-bodies6th-cpc-finmin-order/55711>]

**Minutes of the Meeting of Advisory committee held on 14.09.2019 in CGHS Wellness centre
No. 1 Sector 45 Chandigarh.**

The meeting of CGHS Advisory Committee was held at 9.30 am on 14.09.2019 and was presided over by Dr.(Mrs) Sunita Chaudhary, senior CMO (SAG) I/C C.G.H.S Wellness centre, Sector 45, Chandigarh and attended by following members:-

1. Sh. M.L PANGHOTRA, IA&AD Pensioners Welfare Association Chandigarh(Mob. 9217912203)
2. Sh JASPAL SINGH, President DAPWA Chandigarh (Mob. 9815226310)
3. Sh. MS Toor, Comdt. P.M.F Retd. CGPW Society (Mob. 9876111633)
4. Sh. D.D Sharma, Survey of India, Rep. of serving employees, Chandigarh(Mob. 9417184124)
5. Sh. Vineet Goyal, Rep. Jai Ambika Medicos, ALC, SCO 361, Sector 32 Chandigarh(Mob.9988637709)

Welcome Address :

Dr. (Mrs) Sunita Chaudhary, Senior CMO (SAG) in-charge CGHS Wellness Centre No. 1 welcomed the members of the Advisory committee.

Amenities to beneficiaries :

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

MRC Status/ Pendency of claims :

The bills of MRC have been cleared up to June 2019 but the payment has been made up to January 2019.

Performance of Local Chemist :

Some payment has been made to the chemist and supply of drug has been improved.

Availability of Drugs in Wellness Centre :

As per records there are 145 Generic items and 09 proprietary items available in Wellness Centre.

Staff Punctuality & Behavior :

The conduct and behavior of the staff of the wellness centre has been good. They are courteous and helpful to the senior/ aged CGHS beneficiaries.

Cleanliness & Maintenance of Wellness Centre :

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

Suggestion/ Grievance Redressal :

The suggestion/complaint box was opened by Sh. M.L. Pangotra and found two communications:-

1. One (Unclaimed) Senior citizen suggested need for 2 more dispensaries. Sh. G.C. Sharma, CGHS beneficiary No. 3247122 complained about unsatisfactory supply of medicines by the local chemist and suggested for change of chemist.
2. Both the above suggestions are under active consideration and the process for tendering of new chemist is under progress.
3. Sh. M.S. Toor member of CGHS advisory committee gave suggestion that amount of reimbursement credited into A/C of CGHS beneficiary should be informed through SMS and amount deducted from total reimbursement bill for Non entitlement of medicines etc. should also be informed.
4. It was decided in the meeting that matter will be taken for consideration with the higher authorities.

The meeting ended with the vote of thanks.

[As received from RAJIV SHARMA rajiv1361@yahoo.co.in]

CGHS Clarification regarding issue of Medicines prescribed by Specialists beyond the period for which the medicines had been advised

**Government of India
Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
Department of Health & Family Welfare
EHS Section**

No: Z.15025/23/2018/DIR/CGHS

Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi 110 11
Dated the 17th June,2019

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: - Clarification regarding issue of Medicines prescribed by Specialists beyond the period for which the medicines had been advised

With reference to the above subject the undersigned is directed to state draw attention to the OM Z.15025/33/2018/DIR/CGHS/ dated the 1st May 2018 and to clarify that:

- i. In Chronic cases where diagnosis has been made and line of treatment has been decided by the Specialist of CGHS/Govt. /empanelled hospital, there is no need to refer the patients just for extension of validity period of prescription. The prescriptions in such cases may be repeated by the concerned doctor of CGHS Wellness Centre.
- ii. Only in such cases, wherein there is a need for modification of the diagnosis and/or modification of the line of treatment , beneficiaries should be referred to the concerned specialist.
- iii. However, in case of specific anti-cancer and other immune-suppressant drugs, medicines may be issued only for such periods as advised by the concerned specialists.
These orders are in supersession of all the earlier orders on the subject.

(Dr. Atul Prakash)

Director, CGHS

[Accessed on 03.10.2019 from <https://www.gconnect.in/orders-in-brief/cghs/cghs-clarification-issue-medicines-prescribed-specialists.html>]

Ministry of Finance**Corporate tax rates slashed to 22% for domestic companies and 15% for new domestic manufacturing companies and other fiscal reliefs**

Posted On: 20 SEP 2019 11:59AM by PIB Delhi

The Government has brought in the Taxation Laws (Amendment) Ordinance 2019 to make certain amendments in the Income-tax Act 1961 and the Finance (No. 2) Act 2019. This was announced by the Union Minister for Finance & Corporate Affairs Smt Nirmala Sitaraman during the Press Conference in Goa today. The Finance Minister elaborated further, the salient features of these amendments, which are as under:-

- a. In order to promote growth and investment, a new provision has been inserted in the Income-tax Act with effect from FY 2019-20 which allows any domestic company an option to pay income-tax at the rate of 22% subject to condition that they will not avail any exemption/incentive. The effective tax rate for these companies shall be 25.17% inclusive of surcharge & cess. Also, such companies shall not be required to pay Minimum Alternate Tax.
- b. In order to attract fresh investment in manufacturing and thereby provide boost to 'Make-in-India' initiative of the Government, another new provision has been inserted in the Income-tax Act with effect from FY 2019-20 which allows any new domestic company incorporated on or after 1st October 2019 making fresh investment in manufacturing, an option to pay income-tax at the rate of 15%. This benefit is available to companies which do not avail any exemption/incentive and commences their production on or before 31st March, 2023. The effective tax rate for these companies shall be 17.01% inclusive of surcharge & cess. Also, such companies shall not be required to pay Minimum Alternate Tax.
- c. A company which does not opt for the concessional tax regime and avails the tax exemption/incentive shall continue to pay tax at the pre-amended rate. However, these

companies can opt for the concessional tax regime after expiry of their tax holiday/exemption period. After the exercise of the option they shall be liable to pay tax at the rate of 22% and option once exercised cannot be subsequently withdrawn. Further, in order to provide relief to companies which continue to avail exemptions/incentives, the rate of Minimum Alternate Tax has been reduced from existing 18.5% to 15%.

- d. In order to stabilise the flow of funds into the capital market, it is provided that enhanced surcharge introduced by the Finance (No.2) Act, 2019 shall not apply on capital gains arising on sale of equity share in a company or a unit of an equity oriented fund or a unit of a business trust liable for securities transaction tax, in the hands of an individual, HUF, AOP, BOI and AJP.
- e. The enhanced surcharge shall also not apply to capital gains arising on sale of any security including derivatives, in the hands of Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPIs).
- f. In order to provide relief to listed companies which have already made a public announcement of buy-back before 5th July 2019, it is provided that tax on buy-back of shares in case of such companies shall not be charged.
- g. The Government has also decided to expand the scope of CSR 2 percent spending. Now CSR 2% fund can be spent on incubators funded by Central or State Government or any agency or Public Sector Undertaking of Central or State Government, and, making contributions to public funded Universities, IITs, National Laboratories and Autonomous Bodies (established under the auspices of ICAR, ICMR, CSIR, DAE, DRDO, DST, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology) engaged in conducting research in science, technology, engineering and medicine aimed at promoting SDGs.

The total revenue foregone for the reduction in corporate tax rate and other relief estimated at Rs. 1,45,000 crore.

[Accessed on 03.10.2019 from <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleaseDetail.aspx?PRID=1585641>]

Ministry of Finance

DIN system of CBDT launched; About 17500 Communications with DIN Generated on First day

Posted On: 01 OCT 2019 6:47PM by PIB Delhi

The Documentation Identification Number (DIN) system of Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) has come into existence from today with the generation of about 17,500 communications with DIN on the very first day. This path breaking DIN system has been created as per the direction of Finance Minister Ms. Nirmala Sitharaman and from now onwards every CBDT communication will have to have a documentation identification number.

Revenue Secretary Dr. Ajay Bhushan Pandey said, "From today, any communication from Income Tax Department without a computer generated DIN, be it a notice, letter, order and summon or any other correspondence, would be treated as invalid and shall be *non est* in law or deemed to be as if it has never been issued. The DIN system would ensure greater accountability and transparency in tax administration."

"Now from today onwards, all such communications with DIN would be verifiable on the e-filing portal and no communication would be issued manually without DIN except only if it is in the specified exceptional circumstances", said Dr. Pandey.

It would be pertinent to mention here that while specifying such exceptional circumstances the CBDT Circular related to DIN dated 14.08.2019 says that whenever any such manual communication would be issued, it would be necessarily required to specify reason of issuing such a communication without DIN along with the date of obtaining written approval of the Chief Commissioner/Director General of Income

Tax in a particular format. Any communication which is not in conformity of with the prescribed guidelines shall be treated as invalid and non est in law.

CBDT has specified that any communication issued manually under exceptional circumstances would have to be uploaded and regularised on the system portal within 15 days of its issuance.

CBDT has also stated that all pending assessment proceedings, where notices were earlier issued manually, prior to the DIN related Circular dated 14.08.2019 coming into existence, all such cases would be identified and notices so sent would be uploaded on ITBA by the end of this month, i.e., by 31st Oct 2019.

This is in pursuance of the directions by the Hon'ble Prime Minister in which he has asked the Department of Revenue to come up with specific measures to ensure that the honest taxpayers are not harassed and served better. It may be noted that earlier there have been some instances where it was not possible to maintain the audit trail of the manually issued communication which in some cases caused inconvenience to taxpayers sometime. However, with the present system of attaching a DIN to every notice or communication of CBDT would result in better services to taxpayers without any possible harassment.

[Accessed on 03.10.2019 from <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleaseDetail.aspx?PRID=1586901>]

**Equal pay for Equal Work for Casual workers: Compliance with earlier instructions and Hon'ble Court's Judgments thereon
No.49014/1/2017-Estt. (C) pt .
Government of India
Ministry of Personnel, PG & Pensions
Department of Personnel & Training**

North Block, New Delhi
Dated: 4th September, 2019

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: 'Equal pay for Equal Work' for Casual workers: Compliance with earlier instructions and Hon'ble Court's Judgments thereon

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Department's O.M.No.49014/2/86-Estt.(C) dated 07.06.1988 wherein it was, inter alia, stated that:

- Where the nature of work entrusted to the casual workers and regular employees is the same, the casual workers may be paid at the rate of 1/30th of the pay at the minimum of the relevant pay scale plus dearness allowance for work of 8 hours a day.
 - In cases where the work done by a casual worker is different from the work done by a regular employee, the casual worker may be paid only the minimum wages notified by the Ministry of Labour & Employment or the State Government / Union Territory Administration, whichever is higher, as per the Minimum Wages Act, 1948.
 - Persons on daily wages (casual workers) should not be recruited for work of regular nature.
2. The above instructions have been issued keeping in view the judgments of the Hon'ble Supreme Court. It is reiterated that it is the responsibility of all Ministries/ Departments to follow the above instructions in letter and spirit.

(Surya Narayan Jha)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

[Accessed on 18.10.2019 from <http://www.paramnews.com/2019/09/equal-pay-for-equal-work-for-casual-workers-compliance-with-earlier-instructions-and-honble-courts-judgments-thereon.html>]

**Z .15025/78/2019/DIR/CGHS
Government of India
Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
Department of Health & Family Welfare**

Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi.
Dated the 9th October, 2019

ATTENTION CGHS BENEFICIARIES/OTHER STAKE HOLDERS

Subject: Revamping of Central Government of Health Scheme-reg.

With reference to the above subject the undersigned is directed to state that Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) provides Comprehensive health facilities primarily to Central Government Employees and pensioners and their dependent family members. Government is committed to provide quality health care facilities through CGHS. With a view to further improve the services and make CGHS more beneficiaries friendly, suggestions are invited from CGHS beneficiaries and other stake holders in this regard with reference to revamping CGHS including availing the services at CGHS empanelled hospitals and diagnostic centres. Kindly submit your comments by e-mail or by letters indicating the issue involved and your suggestions by 30.11.2019.

The suggestions may be sent by e-mail to r.attri54@nic.in or by post to Shri Rajeev Attri, Under Secretary, EHS Section, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Room 514-B, A-wing Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi-110011.

Digitally signed
(Rajeev Attri)
Under Secretary to Government of India

Action Taken Report on the minutes of the 30th SCOVA meeting and New Agenda Items of the 31st SCOVA meeting

**42/03/2019-P&PW (D)
Government of India
Ministry of Personnel, P.G and Pensions
Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare**

3rd Floor, Lok Nayak Bhawan,
Khan Market, New Delhi-110003

Date: 03rd Sept, 2019

To
All the Pensioners Associations included in SCOVA
included vide Resolution dated 31.01.2018

Subject: Action Taken Report on the minutes of the 30th SCOVA meeting and New Agenda Items of the 31st SCOVA meeting -reg

Please find enclosed herewith Action Taken Report on the minutes of the 30th SCOVA meeting held on 23.03.2018 and a list of New Agenda Items of 31st SCOVA meeting for your kind perusal.

Encl: as above
Sd/-
(Charanjit Taneja)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

Action Taken Report on the Minutes of the 30th SCOVA meeting held on 23.03.2018

S. No	Issue	Gist of discussion held during the last SCOVA meeting	Action Taken Report
1.	<p>Item No. 5(i) of the 30th SCOVA minutes Revision of PPOs of Pre-2006 Air Force pensioners.</p>	<p>CGDA informed that out of total 1,39,504 Air Force Pensioners, 76,591 were identified as pre-2006 pensioners. Revised authority of 69,595 has been issued. 6996 cases are pending due to non-matching of records provided by PDAs.</p> <p>The Air Force Association informed that the claim of CGDA that there are only 1,39,504 Air Force Pensioners is incorrect. It was brought out by Secretary, Air Force Association that in March 2017, the Raksha Mantri while giving an answer to Lok Sabha Starred question had indicated the figure as 2,05,942. Further, in Feb, 2018, The JCDA(AF) has shown the figure as 2,60,895 Air Force Pensioners in an excel sheet marked as "CPPC wise, no. of pensioner- Airforce" and sent to Directorate of Air Veterans (DAV) Air HQ. As regards the number of pre-06 Air Force Pensioners for whom Corrigendum PPOs have not been issued, the number is close to 1,00,000 and not 6,996 as stated by CGDA</p> <p>CGDA was requested to reconcile the figures in consultation with Directorate of Air Veterans, Air HQ and issue revised authority and also take urgent action to identify the 6996 cases of pensioners CGDA was asked to fix a target of 3 months for completion of this activity.</p> <p>(Action: CGDA)</p>	<p>CGDA</p> <p>It is intimated that with the issue of MOD letter dated 17.10.2018 regarding revision of pension of pre-2016 pensioners/family pensioners in implementation of Govt. decision on recommendations of the 7th CPC on notional pay fixation method, Corrigendum PPOs containing updated entitlement are being issued to all pensioners and left over cases of pre- 2006 Air Force pensioners under Project Sangam will also be covered. There may be no relevance of issuance of Sangam PPOs of left over cases at this stage.</p>

2.	<p>Item no. 5(ii) of the 30th SCOVA minutes Health Insurance Scheme for pensioners including those residing in Non-CGHS area</p>	<p>Ministry of Health & FW informed that, EFC Memo regarding finalization of Health Insurance Scheme was pending with Department of Expenditure. Ministry of Health was advised to follow up the matter with Department of Expenditure for taking a final decision in this regard. (Action: Ministry of Health and Department of Expenditure)</p>	<p>Ministry of Health The final EFC Memo regarding finalization of the proposed Health Insurance Scheme for Central Government Employees and Pensioners was forwarded for appraisal of Expenditure Finance Committee. The Ministry is pursuing the matter with Department of Expenditure.</p>
3.	<p>Item no. 5(v) of the 30th SCOVA minutes Conversion of Postal Dispensary at Cantt. Road Cuttack to CGHS Wellness Centre.</p>	<p>Ministry of Health and Family Welfare informed that a comprehensive proposal for merger of all postal dispensaries in CGHS has been under examination in consultation with Department of Posts. This involves the issue of filling up of vacant posts in P&T dispensaries. The matter will be referred to Department of Expenditure for their approval and the process is likely to be completed in 3 months time. (Action: Ministry of Health and Family Welfare)</p>	<p>Ministry of Health and Family Welfare Orders have been issued by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare vide OM dated 21.12.2018 for merger of all P&T dispensaries with CGHS</p>
4.	<p>Item no. 5(vi) of the 30th SCOVA minutes Anomaly in fixation of pension of DoT employees who were absorbed in BSNL and retired between 01.10.2000 and 30.07.2001</p>	<p>In order to address the grievance of the employees who retired between 01.10.2000 to 31.07.2001, the Department of Pension & Pensioners Welfare had suggested a formula so that these employees do have to suffer on account of fixation of their pension in IDA scale on retirement from BSNL. DOT had referred the matter to Department of Expenditure for their approval. Department of Expenditure sought financial implications on the proposal. DoT was advised by Department of Expenditure to compile the information and send the same to Department of Expenditure. DoT also informed that Hon'ble CAT in its order dated</p>	<p>DoT As regards the formula suggested by Department of Pension and Pensioners' Welfare, opinion/views of Department of Public Enterprises (DPE) have been sought on 19.11.2018 on the matter whether any other similar case of anomaly of pension has been reported by any other Ministry and how the anomaly was resolved in that case. Reminder sent on 25.06.2019 and reply is still awaited from DPE. Regarding the court case, a WP(C) No. 10019/2017 has been filed in the Delhi High Court and the Hon'ble High Court has directed that no coercive steps shall be taken for implementing the judgement dated 16.12.2016 of Hon'ble CAT. The Delhi High</p>

		16.12.2016 allowed the petition by some BSNL absorbee pensioners who retired during 01.10.2000 and 30.07.2001 for fixation of a pension at much higher rate. DoT filed a Writ Petition against CAT order which is still pending. (Action: DoT, Department of Expenditure)	Court in its order dated 08.02.2019 ordered that both the counsels shall prepare a common convenience volume of documents that they wish to rely on. Next date of hearing is 08.01.2020. Department of Expenditure The compiled information as sought by Department of Expenditure is still pending from DoT.
5	Item no. 5(vii) of the 30th SCOVA minutes Extension of benefits of upgraded Grade pay to pre- 2006 retirees of S-12 grade (Issue of grant of grade pay of Rs. 4600/- instead of Rs. 4200/-)	Dir(PP), DoPPW informed that a proposal for extending the benefit of Grade Pay of 4600/- for revision of pension to all pre-2006 pensioners who retired from pre-revised pay-scale of Rs. 6500-10,500/o was earlier referred to Department of Expenditure. However, the proposal was not agreed to by Deptt. of Expenditure. The matter was again referred to Department of Expenditure on 22.02.2018 and was requested to expedite their decision in the matter (Action: DoPPW)	DoPPW After the approval of Department of Expenditure, DoPPW has issued orders dated 04.01.2019 and 09.07.2019 in this regard.
6	Item no. 5(viii) of the 30th SCOVA minutes Merger of Survey of India Dispensary at Dehradun in CGHS on the same line as P&T	Ministry of Health and Family Welfare informed that the proposal has been agreed to by Surveyor General of India and the matter is being examined in consultation with M/o Science and Technology. A Committee comprising officers of Survey of India and Directorate of General of CGHS to sort out the issue. Ministry of Health informed that decision is likely to be taken in a month's time. (Action: Ministry of Health and FW)	Ministry of Health and Family Welfare Ministry of Health and Family Welfare have issued orders dated 22.10.2018 in this regard.
7	Item no. 5(ix) of the 30th SCOVA minutes Stoppage of recovery of wrong full/excess payments from Railways Pensioners	Ministry of Railways vide letter 04.05.2017 issued instructions to provisionally stop recovery from the pensioners till further advice from Railway Board. Ministry of Railways informed that Department of Expenditure has desired certain information which is	Ministry of Railways The complete details of overpayments and recoveries is required to be compiled before sending the case to D/o Expenditure to seek their approval for waiver of recoveries made due to payment of excess pension. However, details from 6

		<p>being collected from zonal Railways and production units. The matter will be re-submitted to Deptt. of Expenditure for waiver of recovery.</p> <p>Some Associations mentioned that the recovery was still continuing. The Pensioners Associations were requested to provide details of cases where instructions dated 04.05.2017 have not been implemented. Ministry of Railways was requested to expedite the final decision on the issue of recoveries in consultation with Department of Expenditure.</p> <p>(Action: Ministry of Railways)</p>	<p>Zonal Railways/PUs is still awaited.</p> <p>As regards continued recovery after 04.05.2017, Only NF Railway Pensioners Association has forwarded a case to Ministry of Railways.</p>
8	<p>Item no. 5(x) of the 30th SCOVA minutes Delay in commencement of family pension to spouse on death of pensioners.</p>	<p>DoPPW/CPAO instructions provide that family pension to widow should commence within one month from receipt of death certificate of deceased pensioner. CPAO informed that the family pension in 38% cases started within a period of one month only. In 47% case time taken was more than 6 months. CPAO issued instructions on 31.01.2018 for ensuring starting of family pension within the stipulated one month period.</p> <p>DFS was requested to take up the matter with the banks at highest level to make sure that families of deceased pensioners get family pension in time. Further CPAO was advised that representatives from DFS may also be invited in meetings with banks.</p> <p>(Action:- CPAO, DFS, CGDA and DoPPW)</p>	<p>CPAO CPAO reviewed/took up the delay in commencement of family pension with banks in meetings at various levels. Meetings with banks were held on 23.01.2019 and 24.01.2019 to review the status of delay in commencement of family pension to spouse.</p> <p>CGDA Necessary guidelines in the matter have been issued by PCDA(P), Allahabad vide Circular No. 203 dated 17.07.2018 in which PDAs have been advised to make sure that families of the deceased pensioners are paid family pension within one month and acknowledgement is invariably given by the PDAs to the family member on receipt of death certificate of the deceased pensioner and application for commencement of family pension.</p> <p>DFS The Public Sector Banks have informed that family pension is commenced within 15 days to 2 months on receipt of all required documents like death certificate of pensioner, life certificate of family pensioner.</p>

9	<p>Item no. 5(xi) of the 30th SCOVA minutes Timely (i) Restoration of commuted pension and (ii) Commencement of Additional Pension on attaining the age of 80 years by the Banks.</p>	<p>CPAO informed that in more than 83% cases during 01.10.2016 to 30.09.2017 commuted pension was restored after a period of 12 months from the date it was due. CPAO also informed in 87% cases the additional pension to old pensioners was started more than 12 months after the date it was due. DFS was advised to instruct banks for making suitable modifications in the software for automatic restoration of commuted value of pension and commencement of additional pension/family pension. CPAO in the meeting held with banks on 31.01.2018, directed the banks to make necessary provision in the software for timely restoration of commutation and commencement of additional pension. CPAO informed that CGA is in process of developing a common software of banks which takes care of delay in restoration of commutation and commencement of additional pension. (Action:- CPAO, DFS and DoPPW)</p>	<p>CPAO The matter is being reviewed/taken up from time to time with all the CPPCs. It has been observed that banks restore commuted value of pension timely only in very few cases and in most of the cases, restoration is done after 4 to 5 months delay after completion of 15 years from the date of credit/payment of commutation value. Most of the CPPCs have already developed software for restoration of commutation amount and commencement of Additional Pension on attaining the age of 80 years and have informed that payment of the same is made automatically. DFS Most of the banks have automated system for restoration of commuted pension after 15 years and also for commencement of additional pension on attaining the age of 80 years. Few banks where automated system is not available are taking action manually within time limit.</p>
10	<p>Item no. 5(xii) of the 30th SCOVA minutes Item wise details of payment made to be shown in the pass books of pensioners.</p>	<p>DFS informed that instructions to banks have been issued in Jan, 2018. DoPPW informed that only SBI is implementing these instructions to some extent and other banks are not providing the details to pensioners. DFS was requested to issue fresh instructions in this regard. CPAO informed that details regarding pension paid during last 24 months can be accessed from their website. Joint Secretary (P&PW) asked Ministry of Railways to explore the feasibility of similar provisions in their software</p>	<p>CPAO As per 4.6.7 of the Accounting and Operating procedure for CPPC of authorized banks for pension disbursement to Central Govt. civil pensioners, all the paying branches are responsible to provide pension slip and full break up of pension payments. All CPPCs in the meeting held on 23rd and 24th Jan, 2019 were instructed to create website/webpage with the facility to know the PPO status upon registration of pensioners grievances and also provide the pension slip break up of pension and arrear payments.</p>

		<p>ARPAN. (Action: DFS, CPAO, DoPPW and Ministry of Railways)</p>	<p>CPAO also provides various services including pension and payment information on online pension process tracking and online grievance redressal and tracking with its Web Response Pensioners Service (WRPS). A dashboard facility has been provided to pensioners to view personal and pension related information, last 12 payment transaction details, downloads SSA, registration and tracking of grievances. Dashboard facility has been also provided to banks for better monitoring of pension processing and grievance redressal and the status of the grievances.</p> <p>Ministry of Railways Pensioners can now view their payment details for last 24 months to the extent of submission/uploading of e-scrolls by PSBs for said duration.</p> <p>Department of Financial Services At present, some banks are showing item wise details in pass book, some are providing pension pay slip. Most of the banks have initiated sending of SMS with breakup of pension credit and statement of monthly pension to the pensioners with registered mobile no. in banks.</p>
11.	<p>Item no. 5 (xiv) of the 30th SCOVA minutes Upgradation of Polyclinic at Bajaj Nagar, Jaipur</p>	<p>Ministry of Health and Family Welfare informed that upgradation of polyclinic has already been completed. Association raised issue of replacement of old equipments for Eye and ENT treatment. Ministry of Health and FW informed that these issues will be considered on receipt of a request. Ministry of Health stated that an officer of the Department will visit Jaipur in April, 2018 to sort out all pending issues relating to dispensary. Regarding generation of online report, the matter has been taken up with NIC. It was also</p>	<p>Ministry of Health and Family Welfare The necessary equipment as considered justified have already been installed. NIC has also requested beneficiaries to update their emails so that information can be sent to beneficiaries online. Further, in order to enable the viewing of online reports, NIC is taking action for development of a new version of CGHS Software and once the said software is ready the facility would be made available Additional Director, CGHS,</p>

		informed in the meeting that messages regarding medicines are already being sent through SMS. (Action: Ministry of Health and Family Welfare)	Jaipur has been asked to discuss the issue with concerned Pensioners Association who had raised it.																																						
12.	Item no. 5(xv) of the 30th SCOVA minutes Setting up of CGHS Wellness Centre at Kochi	Ministry of Health and Family Welfare informed that the proposal for opening of 8 new CGHS Wellness Centres in the country including one at Kochi has been referred to Deptt. of Expenditure. Further action on this issue will be taken on receipt of approval from Department of Expenditure. (Action:-Ministry of Health and Family Welfare)	Ministry of Health and Family Welfare Opening of new CGHS Wellness Centre at Kochi has been approved. A building for the same has alsthe building on rent. CGHS Wellness centre shall start functioning once the possession of the building is taken and necessary renovations are done.o been identified and legal formalities are underway to take																																						
13.	Item no. 5(xvi) of the 30th SCOVA minutes Empanelment of Hospitals/Health Centre with CGHS in Ambernath/ Dobivli	Ministry of Health and Family Welfare informed that they prescribe terms and conditions and rates for empanelment of private hospitals under CGHS. A private hospital in Ambarath could be empanelled under CGHS only if such a hospital applies and accepts the terms and conditions and rates of CGHS. (Action: Ministry of Health and Family Welfare)	Ministry of Health and Family Welfare Empanelment of Hospitals under CGHS is a continuous process and CGHS considers empanelment of any eligible Healthcare Provider that applies for empanelment and agrees to the terms and conditions of empanelment.																																						
14.	Item (30.1) of the 30th SCOVA minutes Revision of PPOs of pre-2016 pensioners/family pensioners as per 7th CPC orders.	In the meeting, Ministries/Department gave the following status report regarding revision of PPOs of pre-2016 pensioners as per 7th CPC. <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Mins /Deptt</th> <th>Total no. of cases</th> <th>Revised authority issued</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>CPAO</td> <td>9,06 lakh</td> <td>5,13,160</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Posts</td> <td>2,58,205</td> <td>2,17,644</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Telecom</td> <td>95,659</td> <td>90,572</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Railways</td> <td>1,38,7542</td> <td>8,43,391</td> </tr> <tr> <td>CGDA Defence Civilian</td> <td>5,58,761</td> <td>1,52,417</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> Ministry of Defence informed that monitoring of revision of cases is done at the highest level i.e Secretary (Def). CGDA is also monitoring these cases fortnightly. Concordance tables for service pensioners have been prepared and will be	Mins /Deptt	Total no. of cases	Revised authority issued	CPAO	9,06 lakh	5,13,160	Posts	2,58,205	2,17,644	Telecom	95,659	90,572	Railways	1,38,7542	8,43,391	CGDA Defence Civilian	5,58,761	1,52,417	Status report regarding revision of PPOs of pre-2016 pensioners as per 7th CPC, as on date is as under:- <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Mins /Deptt</th> <th>Total no. of cases</th> <th>Revised authority issued</th> <th>PPOs pending for revision</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>CPAO</td> <td>9.06 lakh</td> <td>5,13,160</td> <td>2.44 lakh</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Railways</td> <td>1,38,7542</td> <td>8,43,391</td> <td>156934</td> </tr> <tr> <td>CGDA Defence Civilian</td> <td>4,95,541</td> <td>1,52,417</td> <td>41984</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Posts</td> <td>2,58,017</td> <td>2,17,644</td> <td>23862</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> Status report from Department of Telecom is awaited.	Mins /Deptt	Total no. of cases	Revised authority issued	PPOs pending for revision	CPAO	9.06 lakh	5,13,160	2.44 lakh	Railways	1,38,7542	8,43,391	156934	CGDA Defence Civilian	4,95,541	1,52,417	41984	Posts	2,58,017	2,17,644	23862
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		<p>submitted to Ministry of Defence for approval.</p> <p>Some Defence Pensioners Associations raised point of following different guidelines by PCDA(P) Allahabad than the guidelines issued by CPAO. It was advised to CGDA to issue centralized guidelines so that the same guidelines are followed in their all units.</p> <p>Target date for all Ministries/Departments was fixed as 30.05.2018. Ministry of Defence/ CGDA to complete this task by 30.06.2018.</p> <p>(Action:- CPAO, Posts, Telecom, Railways, Ministry of Defence/CGDA)</p>	
15.	<p>Item no. (30.2) of the 30th SCOVA minutes</p> <p>Payment of arrears accruing in respect of deceased pensioners/family pensioners to nominee/legal heir</p>	<p>It was informed that the payment of lifetime arrears of such cases is covered by para 23.2 and para 23.3 of the Scheme Booklet of CPAO. As per this para payment is to be made by bank to the nominee by a bank pay order after making suitable note on both halves of PPO. CPAO was advised to direct all banks to take action accordingly in these cases.</p> <p>(Action: CPAO and DoPPW)</p>	<p>CPAO</p> <p>It is observed that on death of the pensioners/family pensioners, the pension account is closed by the bank and the balance amount in the account of pensioners/family pensioners is paid to the nominees/legal heirs. However, it is observed that the life time arrears arising subsequently on account of Pay Commission, etc. are not paid to the nominees/legal heirs of the deceased pensioners/family pensioners either on account of the fact that the pension/family pension is not revised by the concerned Pension Sanctioning Authority (PSA) or the amount of arrears of revised pension/family pension is not paid due to closure of the bank account.</p>
16.	<p>Item no. (30.3) of the 30th SCOVA minutes</p> <p>Extension of benefit of modified parity/revision of pension by pay fixation method to pensioners drawing Compulsory retirement pension/Compassionate Allowance (on dismissal/removal)</p>	<p>DOPPW informed that a proposal in this regard was under examination of Department of Expenditure.</p> <p>(Action:- DOPPW and Department of Expenditure)</p>	<p>Department of Expenditure</p> <p>Reply has already been sent to DoPPW vide DoE's ID note dated 21.05.2018.</p> <p>DoPPW</p> <p>A fresh proposal has been referred to Department of Expenditure on 16.08.2019 for their consideration based on a decision taken in the recent JCM meeting.</p>

17.	<p>Item No. (30.5) of the 30th SCOVA minutes Revision of CGHS package rates suitable for attracting more private hospitals for empanelment.</p>	<p>Ministry of Health and Family Welfare informed that the process for revision of CGHS package rates for medical facilities in private empanelled hospitals has already been initiated and a new formula has been proposed in this regard for finalisation of rates. This is likely to attract more private hospitals for empanelment under CGHS. (Action: Ministry of Health and Family Welfare)</p>	<p>Ministry of Health and Family Welfare Empanelment of private hospitals under CGHS is a continuous process. Revision of rates is an administrative matter. Many Hospitals and Diagnostic Centres are applying for empanelment under CGHS at the current rates in all CGHS cities. As on 31.07.2019, a total of 681 private hospitals, 374 Eye Centres, 176 Dental Clinics and 229 Diagnostic Centre and Imaging Centres are empanelled under CGHS.</p>
18.	<p>Item (30.7) of the 30th SCOVA minutes Difference in Last Rank held and Rank for Pension in the case of pre-2006 military pensioners.</p>	<p>Department of Ex-servicemen Welfare informed that the pension of pre-2006 pensioners was fixed w.r.t the pay scale of the rank which was held by pensioner for a minimum of 10 months. However, the condition of 10 months service in the rank is not applicable in the case of post-2006 retirees. It is in this background that different criteria has been fixed for fixing of rank pension in the case of pre and post-2006 pensioners. DoPPW clarified that in the case of civil pensioners for revision of pre-2016 pensioners, orders have been issued for fixation of notional pay with respect of the last pay/pay scale of the pensioners, even if that pay was drawn for one day only. Pensioners associations were asked to send detailed references bringing out all issues to Department of Ex-servicemen Welfare. Department of Ex-service Welfare will examine the issue afresh and take an appropriate decision in this respect, in consultation with Department of Expenditure. (Action: Department of Ex-servicemen Welfare)</p>	<p>Ministry of Defence The matter has been resolved with Ministry of Defence letter dated 30.09.2016, wherein, it is provided that the consolidated revised pension/ordinary family pension of all pre-2006 Armed Forces pensioners/Family pensioners w.e.f 01.01.2006 shall not be less than 50% and 30% respectively of the minimum of the pay in the Pay band plus Grade Pay corresponding to the pre-revised scale from which the pensioner had retired/ discharged/ invalided out/ died including Military Service Pay and 'X' group pay, if any, without pro-rata reduction of pension even if they had rendered qualifying service of less than 33 years at the time of retirement</p>

19.	<p>Item (30.8) of the 30th SCOVA minutes Extension of benefit of Composite Hospitals to CAPF personnel.</p>	<p>Ministry of Home Affairs informed that at present, retiring CAPF and AR personnel can opt only one of the following three medical options:- (i) CGHS facility for both IPD and OPD treatment (ii) CGHS facility for IPD and FMA for OPD facility. (iii) CAPF Medical Cover from Composite Hospitals. MHA stated that they would consider the proposal of extending medical facility in composite hospitals to retired CAPF personnel covered under CGHS without charging any additional fee, provided the pensioners do not avail FMA facility. MHA was requested to examine and to take a decision in the matter at the earliest. (Action :- MHA)</p>	<p>Ministry of Home Affairs Directorate General (BSF) vide UO Note dated 02.08.2019 has informed that the issue was forwarded to all retired CAPF Associations listed with this HQ and with all DDOs down level to filed formation through mail on 03.05.2018 and 09.05.2018 respectively for their information and further necessary action.</p>
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31st Meeting of Standing Committee of Voluntary Agencies (SCOVA) under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble MOS (PP) to be held on September 05,2019

Sl. no	New Agenda Items
(31.1)	<p><u>Negligence by the Departments / Banks for disposals of grievances of Pensioners within reasonable time.</u> It has been prescribed in CPENGRAMs that grievances shall be disposed of within 2 months by a reasoned reply. The application is transferred to the concerned department for action. Many a times, Ministries/ Departments forward the grievance to its subordinate/attached offices and mark it disposed without any finality. No follow-up action is taken by the administrative Ministry/Department for which the Pensioners suffer enormously. Due to this modus operandi of disposal of grievance, it is requested that there should be an effective intervention of DoPPW and periodical monitoring system may be developed. It will make portal effective and meaningful for grievance redressal. (Action: All Ministries/Departments)</p>
(31.2)	<p><u>Simplification of Procedure for grant of Family Pension in some Railway Divisions and Workshops.</u> In some Railway Divisions & Workshops the eligible dependent applicants for Family Pension are facing difficulties to prove her/his dependency criteria. The authorities are not ready to follow the orders issued by DoPPW OM 45/51/97-P&PW(E) dated 05.03.1998 on Dependency Criteria. They say that those who are getting any income which is more than Rs. 2550/- are not dependent and are therefore not eligible for formulation whereas, as on date the minimum income for dependency as Rs. 9000 + 12% DR (i.e Rs. 10,080). They are not accepting self-declaration regarding income by the claimant in case of private employed persons. As such it is requested to formulate the documents to be submitted with simplified format of application, reiterating the dependency criteria. (Action:-Ministry of Railways)</p>
(31.3)	<p><u>Improvement of Health Care facilities required for Railway Pensioners/RELHsbeneficiaries:</u> (31.3) Improvement of Health Care facilities required for Railway Pensioners/RELHsbeneficiaries:</p>

	<p>(a) Authorisation of Doctors of Railway Health Units for referral to empanelled private hospitals: Railway Board vide its orders No.2018/Trans Cell/Health/Medical issues dated 24-1-2019 has decided that the Railway Beneficiaries may be referred for treatment & Investigation to private empanelled and other Government Hospitals by "two Doctors". This has left out the Single Doctor Health Units in cities like Chandigarh as not being authorised to refer the cases to Empanelled specialized Hospitals and thus compelling the Railway Beneficiaries to travel long distances from such cities, towns & areas which have "Single" Doctor Health Units to reach out to the two authorized Doctors to get a referral for an ailing patient. The hardship thus continues for majority of Old age patients to get the requisite treatment. It is requested that in such cases, the Single Doctor of Railway Health Units may be authorized to refer the RELHS beneficiaries to private empanelled hospitals.</p> <p>(b) Special provisions for Treatment of RELHS Beneficiaries who are above 80 years of age Guidelines for special provision to CGHS Beneficiaries aged 80 years and above and issued vide MoH&FW OM No.Z-16025/98/2017/CGHS-III dated 11-7-2017. In view of this, similar guidelines may be issued by Ministry of Railways for RELHS beneficiaries who are 80 years and above.</p> <p>(c) Waiving of condition of Referral from Railway Doctor of RELHS beneficiaries for OPD Consultation & treatment in Government Hospitals: It is requested that RELHS beneficiaries be not required to get a referral from Railway Doctor for treatment in Centre or State Government Hospitals.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Action: Ministry of Railways)</p>
(31.4)	<p><u>Regarding deletion of Note 3 below pension rule - 34 - Average emoluments</u> As per the Note 3 below Rule 33 and Note 3 below Rule 34 of CCS(Pension) Rules, an increment earned during currency of the earned leave after 120 days is not taken into account as emoluments/average emoluments for the purpose of pension. It is requested that this condition of increment having been earned within the 120 days of earned leave may be dispensed with and increment earned during the currency of leave, irrespective of the duration, may be taken into account as part of emoluments/average emoluments for pension.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Action: DOPPW)</p>
(31.5)	<p><u>Revision of pension/family pension under 7th CPC in terms of Do P&PW OM dated 12th May, 2017 in respect of the pensioners who were in receipt of compulsory retirement pension and compassionate allowance under Rules 40 and 41 of CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972</u> Do P&PW OM No.38/37/2016-P&PW(A) dated 12-5-2017, issued in implementation of 7th CPC recommendation states vide Para 11 that the orders contained therein are not applicable for the purpose of revision of pension of those pensioners who were drawing compulsory retirement pension under Rule 40 of the or compassionate allowance under Rule 41 of the CCS (Pension) Rules and pensioners in these categories would continue to be entitled to revised pension in accordance with the instructions contained in O.M. dated 4.8.2016. In the 5th and 6th Pay Commissions also, the benefit of pension @ 50% of the minimum pay of pay-scale was not extended to such pensioners who were compulsorily retired or were dismissed/retired from service. It is requested that these orders may be reviewed and all benefits of pension revision may be extended in the case of compulsory retirement pension as well as compassionate allowance.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Action: DOPPW)</p>
(31.6)	<p><u>Booking of Holiday Homes for Central Government Pensioners-enhancement of time limit from 30 days to 60 days.</u> Different time limit (60 & 30 days) has been fixed for serving and retired Central Govt. employees for booking of Holiday Homes. In order to get confirmed journey tickets and better tour planning, it is requested to enhance the time limit from 30 days to 60 days for retired Central Govt. employees also.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Action: Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs)</p>
(31.7)	<p><u>Formal approval to Chandigarh Administration for allotment of plot to CGHS, Chandigarh.</u> The Ministry of Home Affairs may be directed to convey formal approval to Chandigarh Administration, to allot the earmarked Plot to CGHS, Chandigarh, at reserve price without further delay to address the problem of the CGHS patients, who are facing acute problems in getting proper medical facilities. The CGHS authorities, as also Chandigarh Administration has been taking up this point with MHA for almost 8 or 9 years, but there is no positive response from MHA.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Action: Ministry of Home Affairs and Ministry of Health & FW)</p>

(31.8)	<p><u>Curtailing of investigations prescribed by specialists of empanelled hospitals.</u> It is observed that often investigations prescribed by specialist of CGHS empanelled private hospitals are curtailed by the Medical Officers of the Wellness Center at various places without any specific reasons on record which creates doubt in the mind and is not in the interest of wellness of the beneficiaries. Necessary instructions may be issued to mitigate such (Action: Ministry of Health and Family Welfare)</p>
(31.9)	<p><u>No direct consultation with NIA, Jaipur</u> The beneficiaries are not allowed to consult directly the apex institution in Ayurveda i.e "National Institute of Ayurveda, Jaipur" (a body of AYUSH Department) without reference of Ayurveda Physician. The medicines prescribed by Ayurvedic Physician are also denied, this should be looked into and suitable instructions may be issued in this regard. (Action: Ministry of Health & Family Welfare/ Ministry of AYUSH)</p>
(31.10)	<p><u>Regular appointment of regular Gr. C & D (Technical) and Administrative staff in the CGHS Dispensary at Dehradun.</u> The CGHS Dispensary at Dehradun was opened in 2004 with the help of out-sourced staff. No effort has been initiated by CGHS/Ministry of Health & Family Welfare to appoint the regular staff at CGHS Dehradun. The issue was raised in the 27th SCOVA meeting held 13-10-2015. The Ministry of Health & Family Welfare informed in the 27th SCOVA meeting that the "process of appoint regular staff has been initiated". Further, some Administrative posts including MTS have been approved by ministry of health and family welfare in the month of November 2017. However, the dispensary continues to run with the service of out-sourced employees. It is requested that the Gr. C & D (Technical) and Administrative posts sanctioned for CGHS Dehradun may be filled on regular basis without any further delay. (Action- Ministry of Health and Family Welfare)</p>
(31.11)	<p><u>CGHS contribution at the rates prevailing while the old P&T pensioners retired from service</u> The P&T Pensioners were precluded from joining CGHS due to the orders of the Health Ministry for a long time. P & T dispensaries have been merged with CGHS dispensaries and P&T employees/pensioner have been extended the CGHS facility on the recommendations of the 7th CPC. Now it is not reasonable and justifiable to ask the old Pensioners to pay subscription as per the rates revised after 7th CPC. It is requested that they may be permitted to remit the rates prevailed during the time of their retirement. (Action: Ministry of Health and Family Welfare)</p>
(31.12)	<p><u>CGHS Facility for BSNL Pensioners at rates prevalent at the time of formation of BSNL in 1999</u> At the time of formation of BSNL in 1999, BSNL pensioners were allowed to enroll themselves under CGHS. Accordingly, many pensioners had come under CGHS and obtained CGHS cards. But later when the medical reimbursement scheme was started under BSNL many CGHS card holders of BSNL joined the new BSNL scheme by surrendering their CGHS cards as the medical reimbursement scheme was being more beneficial. But while surrendering CGHS cards, the registration amount deposited by them had not been refunded. Now, the situation is that BSNL medical reimbursement scheme has become unattractive due to paucity of funds and many beneficiaries would like to go back to the CGHS facility. Therefore it is urged that the intending BSNL pensioners may be allowed to enroll themselves under CGHS by accepting the rates prevalent at the time of formation of BSNL in 1999. Those already enrolled under CGHS had surrendered their cards may be allowed to continue to avail the CGHS facility without any fresh registration fee as they had already deposited the fee with the CGHS. (Action: Ministry of Health and Family Welfare) [Accessed on 03.10.2019+ from http://employee435.rssing.com/chan-8433081/latest.php] *****</p>

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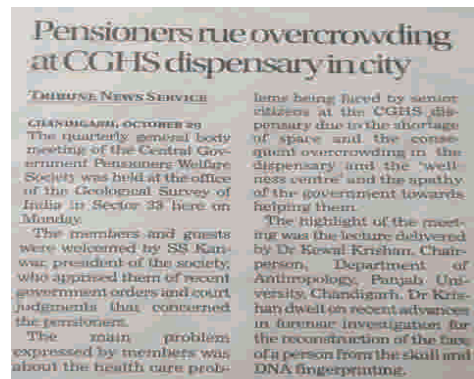
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