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Items /Issues proposed by Karnataka Posts and Telecommunications Pensioners' Association, Bengaluru to Dept of Pension & PW for inclusion in the Agenda to be discussed in the 30th meeting of Standing Committee of Voluntary Agencies (SCOVA) to be held shortly.

## 1. Fixation of notional pay for revision of pension under 7<sup>th</sup> CPC in terms of DOPPW OM dated 12-5-2017 with reference to the pay level of the post from which the pensioner had retired

DoP&PW OM NO.38/37/2016-P&PW(A) dated, 12th May 2017 issued in implementation of the recommendations of the 7th Central Pay Commission envisages revision of pension/ family pension w.e.f.1-1-2016 of all Central civil pensioners/family pensioners, who retired/ died prior to 01.01.2016, by notionally fixing their 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 they retired/died. Notional pay fixation is done under each intervening Pay Commission based on the Formula for revision of pay and on the pay fixation formulae approved by the Government and other relevant instructions on the subject in force at the relevant time. 50% of the notional

pay shall be the revised pension and 30% of the notional pay shall be the revised family pension w.e.f. 1.1.2016.

Hundreds of Central Civil Posts were upgraded to higher pay scales on the recommendations of the successive Central Pay Commissions, highest number of posts upgraded being 669 in 5th CPC, listed in part-C of the First schedule of CCS (RP) Rules,1997 followed by 162 posts in 6th CPC indicated in part-C of the First schedule of CCS (RP) Rules,2008 and 47 posts in 7th CPC indicated in part-C of the First schedule of CCS (RP) Rules, 2016 apart from the posts indicated in parts -B of the 1st schedule of the respective Pay Rules.

Fixation of notional pay in the level of 7th CPC pay matrix corresponding to the last pay drawn by the retiree in the pay scale/pay band from which the pensioner had retired (in terms of instructions in para 4 of the OM dated 12-5-2017) has resulted in denial of extension of the benefits of up gradation of posts to the pensioners who had retired from the same posts but, before their up gradation to higher pay scales/pay bands/grade pay. The difference in the quantum of admissible revised pension computed with reference to the notional pay corresponding to the pay in the retiring pay scale and the notional pay in the level of the pay scale of the upgraded post is quite huge

in some cases as brought in the **illustration** given below.

It is, therefore, requested that the notional pay under 7th CPC for revision of pension/family pension of pre-2016 pensioners may be fixed with reference to the notional pay that the pensioner would have drawn had he/she continued in the post from which he/she had retired instead of fixing the notional pay in the level *corresponding* to the pay in the pay scale/pay band and grade pay at which they retired/died, thereby extending the benefit of up gradation of posts to past pensioners also.

### Illustration-1

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	4 <sup>th</sup> CPC	5 <sup>th</sup> C	PC	6 <sup>th</sup> CPC		7 <sup>th</sup> CPC	
Post	Retiring pay scale	Corresponding pay scale	Up graded pay scale	Corresponding pay band	Up graded pay band	Corresponding pay level	Up graded pay level
Postal Assistant (Up graded in 5th CPC)	975-1660 (S-6)	3200-4900 (S-6)	4000-6000 (S-7)	PB-1 Grade pay Rs.2000(S-6)	PB-1 Grade pay Rs.2400(S-7)	Level 3	Level-4
Last pay	1300	4050	4100	9540	10030	25200	25500

### Illustration-2

	4 <sup>th</sup> CPC	5 <sup>th</sup> C	PC	6 <sup>th</sup> CPC		7 <sup>th</sup> CPC	
Post	Retiring pay scale	Corresponding pay scale	Up graded pay scale	Corresponding pay band	Up graded pay band	Corresponding pay level	Up graded pay level
Superintend dent of Post offices (Up graded in 5th CPC	2000-3500	Rs.6500-10500 (S-12)	7500-12000 (S-14)	PB-2: 9300-34800 Grade pay Rs. 4200 (S-12)	PB-2 Grade pay Rs. 4800 (S-14)	Level-6 (S-12)	Level-8 (S-14)
Last pay	Rs. 3200	Rs. 9700	9750	Rs.22250	22940	58600	60400

#### Illustration-3

	3rd CPC	4 <sup>th</sup> CPC		5 <sup>th</sup> CPC		6 <sup>th</sup> CPC	
Post	Retiring pay scale	Corresponding pay scale	Up graded pay scale	Corresponding pay scale	Up graded pay scale	Corresponding pay band	Up graded pay band
JTO (DoT) (Up graded in 4th CPC & in 5th CPC	425-700	1400-2300 (S-8)	1640-2900 (S-10)	4500-7000 (S-8)	6500-10500 (S-12)	PB-1 5200-20200 Grade pay Rs. 2800 (S-8)	PB-2 9300-34800 Grade pay Rs. 4200 (S-12)
Last pay	Rs. 560	Rs. 1640	1640	5000	6500	12100	16290
						7 <sup>th</sup> CPC	
						Corresponding Level	Up graded Level
						Level-5 (S-8) 31900	Level-6 (S-12) 42300

- 2. Re-fixation of pension of Pre-2006 Pensioners at 50% of the emoluments (Last Pay drawn) after delinking of 33 years of service for grant of full pension, instead of at 50 % of the sum of the minimum of the pay in pay band and grade pay thereon, indicated in the table annexed to DOPPW O M dated 28-1-2013 so as to end continued payment of pro-rata reduced pension to some of the pre-2006 pensioners.
- i) In implementation of the recommendations of the VI CPC, pension of employees retiring/retired on or after 1-1- 2006 is computed at 50% of the emoluments (last pay drawn) or average emoluments whichever is beneficial to them.
- ii) Consequent upon delinking of 33 years of qualifying service for grant of full pension w.e.f 1-1- 2006, and amendment made to Rule 49 of CCS (Pension) Rules,1972 vide notification dated 8-6- 2011, employees retiring after a qualifying service of not less than 10 years are eligible for pension calculated at 50% of emoluments (last pay drawn) or average emoluments whichever is more beneficial.
- iii) The benefit of computation of pension at 50 % of emoluments for less than 33 years of service was extended to pre-2006 Pensioners also vide DoP&PW OM No. 38/37/08-P&PW (A) dated the 06th April, 2016, wherein it was stated that the revised consolidated pension of pre-2006 Pensioners shall not be lower than 50% of the minimum of the pay in the Pay Band and the Grade Pay (wherever applicable) corresponding to the pre- revised Pay Scale as per fitment table annexed to Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure OM No. 1/11/2008-IC dated 30th August, 2008 without pro-rata reduction of pension even if the pensioners had qualifying service of less than 33 years at the time of retirement. Consequently, para 5 of the OM dated 28-1- 2013 which had provided for pro-rata reduction of pension where the pensioner had less than maximum required service for full pension as per rule 49 of the CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972 as applicable before 1.1.2006 was ordered to be deleted.
- iv) In spite of deletion of para 5 of the OM dated 28-1-2013 which had provided for pro rata reduction of pension and despite extension

of the benefit of delinking of 33 years of service for computation of pension to pre-2006 Pensioners vide OM dated 6-4-2016, an anomalous position with regard to the quantum of pension admissible to pre-2006 pensioners still exists and some of the pre-2006 pensioners continue to get reduced pro rata pension sanctioned to them on their retirement as explained below.

### A) In respect of pensioners whose pension was consolidated in terms of para 4.1 of OM dated 1-9- 2008

- The provisions of OM dated 6-4- 2016 have benefited only those Pre-2006 pensioners whose revised pension from 1-1- 2006 was computed in terms of para 4.2 of OM dated 1-9- 2008 and the amount of pension so computed was lower than the amount indicated in column No.9 of the table annexed to OM dated 28-1- 2013.
- The provisions of OM dated 6-4- 2016 have not granted the intended benefit of delinking of 33 years of service, in as much as the quantum of pension admissible has been limited to the minimum pension indicated in the table annexed to OM dated 28-1- 2013 and not the amount of pension that would have been admissible to the pensioner if his/ her pension was computed without any pro rata reduction.
- (iii) The illustrations given hereunder will further explain the points made at A (i) and (ii) above.

Pensioner -X

Date of retirement: 30-4-2001 (5th CPC) Qualifying service: 28 years 6 months

Scale of pay: Rs.6,500-200-10,500 (Grade S-12)

Last pay drawn: Rs.8,700

Average emoluments for pension: Rs.8,580

Pro rata pension sanctioned on retirement: 8580/2 X 28.5/33 =3705

### Revision of pension under 6th CPC

1. Consolidation of pension in terms of Para 4.1 of OM dated 1-9-2008

(a) Basic pension: 3705

(b) Dearness pension

@ 50% of (a) above: 1853

(c) D R @ 24 % of the

sum of (a)and (b)above: 1334

(d)Fitment benefit at

40% of (a) above: 1482 8374 Total

2. Computation of pension in terms of Para 4.2 of OM dated 1-9-2008 at 50% of the sum of the minimum of the pay in pay band and grade pay thereon as indicated in column 9 of the table annexed to OM dated 28-1-2013in respect of the pay scale of 6500-200-10500 (Grade S-12) = Rs.8145. (Minimum of the pay in pay band: Rs.12090 + Grade pay Rs.4200 Total: 16290; 50 % of 16290 = 8145)Pension admissible: Higher of the two amounts ie.Rs.8374

- (iv) Pension consolidated in terms of Para 4.1 of OM dated 1-9-2008 (Rs.8374) is more than the pension computed in terms of Para 4.2 (Rs.8145). Hence, the pensioner continued to get the revised pension (Rs.8374) under 6th CPC, CONSOLIDATED ON THE 5th CPC PENSION (RS.3705)WHICH HAD BEEN REDUCED PRORATA FOR LESS THAN 33 YEARS OF SERVICE ON HIS/HER RETIREMENT. Therefore, the benefit of delinking of 33 years of service is denied to the pensioner in as much as he continued to draw reduced pro rata pension only under 6th CPC whereas pensioners who retired on or after 1-1-2006 got full pension without any pro rata reduction for less than 33 years of service.
- (v) If the pension had been computed at 50 % of the last pay drawn, then his pension under 6th CPC would have been Rs. 9831 as per details below.

Last Pay drawn : Rs.8700 ( $5^{th}$  CPC pay scale of Rs.6500-200-10500)

Re-fixation of pension at 50% of 8700 = 4350

## Revision of pension under 6th CPC

In terms of para 4.1 of OM dated 1-9-2008

(a) Basic pension: 4350

(b) Dearness pension

@ 50% of( a ) above: 2175

(c) D R @ 24 % of

the sum of (a)and (b)above: 1566

(d)Fitment benefit at 40%

of (a) above: 1740
Total 9831

Pensioner "X" in the example given above continues to draw an amount of pension ie. at Rs. 9831 consolidated w.r.t Pre-2006 pension which was reduced pro rata for less than 33 years of service even after 1-1-2006 and this anomaly needs to be corrected by refixation of his pension at 50% of the last pay drawn on retirement.

B) In respect of Pensioners whose pension was computed in terms of para 4.2 of OM dated 1-9-2008 and stepped up to the amount indicated in column No.9 of the table annexed to OM dated 28-1- 2013

Pre-2006 Pensioners who had retired with less than 33 years of service and whose pension, on their retirement, was fixed after pro rata reduction for less than 33 years of service, and whose pension which was stepped up to the amount indicated in column 9 of the table annexed to the OM dt 28-1-2013, continue to get reduced pro-rata pension only and the benefit of delinking of 33 years of service for full pension and calculation of pension at 50 % of the emoluments (last pay drawn) have been denied to them as illustrated below.

Pensioner -Y

Date of retirement: 30-4-2001 (5th CPC)

Qualifying service: 27 years

Scale of pay: Rs.6,500-200-10,500

(Grade S-12)

Last pay drawn: Rs.8,700

Average emoluments for pension: Rs.8,580

Pro rata pension sanctioned on retirement:

8580/2 X 27/33 =3510

1. Consolidation of pension in terms of Para

4.1 of OM dated 1-9-2008

(a) Basic pension: 3510

(b) Dearness pension

@ 50% of (a) above: 1755

(c) D R @ 24 % of the

sum of (a)and (b)above: 1264

(d)Fitment benefit at 40%

of (a) above: 1404
Total 7933

2. Computation of pension in terms of Para 4.2 of OM dated 1-9-2008 at 50% of the sum of the minimum of the pay in pay band and grade pay thereon as indicated in column 9 of the table annexed to OM dated 28-1-2013 in respect of the pay scale of 6500-200-10500 (Grade S-12) = Rs.8145. (Minimum of the pay in pay band: Rs.12090 + Grade pay Rs.4200 Total: 16290; 50 % of 16290 = 8145)

Pension of Rs.7933 consolidated as per para 4.1 of OM dated 1-9-2008 as above, must be stepped up to Rs.8145 in terms of OM dated 28-1-20113. But, in spite of stepping up of pension, the pensioner continues to get reduced pro rata pension only in as much as he would been entitled for a revised pension of Rs.9831 if his pension had been re-fixed at 50% of the emoluments last drawn as illustrated in para(v)above (Pensioner "X")

# C) In respect of pre-2006 pensioners whose pension was fixed at 50% of the average emoluments on their retirement

Pre-2006 Pensioners whose pension was fixed at 50% of the **average emoluments** on their retirement are getting a lower amount of pension than the amount of pension that would have been admissible to them had their pension been re-fixed at 50 % of the emoluments(Last pay drawn) in cases where the last pay drawn was more than the average emoluments as illustrated below.

Pensioner -Z

Date of retirement: 31-3-2002 (5th CPC)

Qualifying service: 33years

Scale of pay: Rs.6,500-200-10,500

(Grade S-12)

Last pay drawn: Rs.8,500

Average emoluments for pension: Rs.8,400 Pension sanctioned on retirement: 8400/2 X

33/33 = 4200

### Revision of pension under 6th CPC

1. Consolidation of pension in terms of Para 4.1 of OM dated 1-9-2008

(a) Basic pension:	4200
(b) Dearness pension @ 50% of (a) above:	2100
(c) D R @ 24 % of the sum of (a)and (b)above :	1512
(d)Fitment benefit at 40%	
of (a) above:	1680
Total	9492

If the pension had been computed at 50 % of the last pay drawn, then the pension under 6<sup>th</sup> CPC would have been **Rs. 9605** as per details below.

Last Pay drawn: Rs.8500 (5th CPC pay

scale of Rs.6500-200-10500)

Re-fixation of pension at 50% of 8700 = 4250

### Revision of pension under 6th CPC

In terms of para 4.1 of OM dated 1-9-2008

(a) Basic pension: 4250
(b) Dearness pension
@ 50% of (a) above: 2125
(c) D R @ 24 % of the sum of (a)and (b)above: 1530
(d)Fitment benefit at 40% of (a) above: 1700

Total

9605

In order to correct the anomalies explained in the illustrations indicated above and to extend the benefit of modifications to Pension Rules introduced from 1-1-2006 Viz.(a) delinking of 33 years of service for pension and (b) computation of pension at 50 % of the emoluments (last pay drawn) or average emoluments whichever is more beneficial, to all pre 2006 Pensioners on par with post 2006 Pensioners, it is requested that the pension of all pre-2006 Pensioners may be ordered to be re-fixed at 50 % of the emoluments (last pay drawn) or average emoluments whichever is more beneficial, irrespective of the number of years of service however, subject to the condition that the pension so re-fixed shall not be lower than the amount of pension indicated in the table annexed to OM dated 28-1-2013 applicable to the corresponding pay scale from which the Pensioner had retired.

3. Revision of pension/family pension 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 in terms of DoPPW OM dated 12<sup>th</sup> May, 2017

Para No.3 of DoPPW O M No.38/37/08-P&PW(A) dated the 22nd July. 2011 had stated that the benefit of para 4.2 of O.M. No. 38/37/08-P&PW(A) dated 1.9.2008 would not be applicable in the case of revision of pension/family pension in respect of the pensioners who were in receipt of compulsory retirement

pension and compassionate allowance under Rules 40 or 41 of CCS(Pension) Rules, 1972.

Subsequently, vide OM F.No.38/37/08-P&PW(A) dated the 28th January, 2013, the pension of pre-2006 pensioners as revised w.e.f. 1.1.2006 in terms of para 4.1 or para 4.2 of the OM dated 1.9.2008, was ordered to be stepped up to 50% of the sum of minimum of pay in the pay band and the grade pay corresponding to the pre-revised pay scale from which the pensioner had retired, and normal family pension to 30%. The OM does not state that the stepping up of pension/family pension as above is not applicable to pensioners who were in receipt of compulsory retirement pension and compassionate allowance.

Para 11 of the OM No.38/37/2016-P&PW(A)dated 12-5-2017 states 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 CCS (Pension) Rules 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.

It is, therefore, requested that the provisions of OM dated 12-5-2017 may please be reviewed in view of the provisions of OM dated 28-1-2013 which had provided for stepping of pension/family pension of pensioners whose pension/family pension was revised in accordance with par 4.1 and para 4.2 of the OM dated 1-9-2008 and necessary order may please be caused to be issued for revision of pension/family pension of pre-2016 pensioners who were in receipt of compulsory retirement pension and compassionate allowance in accordance with paras 4 & 5 of OM dated 12.5.17.

# 4. Inordinate delay in revision of pension of pre-2016 Defence Civilian Pensioners in terms of DoPPW OM dated 12-5-2017

Many pensioners who have retired from Defence establishments like CQAL, LRDE, CQAE etc have reported non receipt of the revised authorities authorising payment of revised pension in terms of DoPPW OM dated 12-5-2017. Neither any response is received with reference to their repeated requests nor is revised pension credited to their accounts even after elapse of 9 months. PCDA, Allahabad may please be urged to expedite the matter.

# 5. Entitlement of Age-related additional pension on both pension and family pension drawn by an individual pensioner.

Para 4.5 of DoPPW OM dated 1-9-2008 envisages payment of age related additional pension to old pensioners and family pensioners.

Clarification issued by DoPPW vide OM dated 3-10-2008 on para 5.1 of OM dated 1-9-2008 states "in case a person is in receipt of pension as well as family pension, the floor ceiling of Rs.3500/- will apply individually to such pension and family pension".

By the above said clarification, it is evident that the same applies to age-related additional pension also and a person who is in receipt of pension as well as family pension will be entitled for age related additional pension on both pension and family pension on attaining the age prescribed for payment of additional pension /additional family pension.

But, It seems that DoPPW has not issued any order clarifying the point that whether age-related additional pension is admissible both on pension and family pension when both are drawn by an individual pensioner.

It is, therefore, requested that necessary clarification in the matter may please

be issued and the OM may please be uploaded to the website of Pensioners' Portal.

6. Advance approval for grant of family pension for life to unmarried and widowed daughters on par with parents and permanently disabled child/sibling in terms of provisions contained in rule 54 of the CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972.

Pension process for permanently disabled children/siblings and dependent parents was simplified vide DoPPW O M No. 1/27/2011 P&PW (E) dated 1st July,2013, in terms of which an employee/pensioner/family pensioner may, at any time before or after retirement/death of employee, can make a request to the Appointing Authority seeking advance approval for grant of family pension for life to permanently disabled child/sibling/ parents in terms of provisions contained in rule 54 of the CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972. On acceptance of such a request, the Head of Office must issue a sanction order for grant of family pension to such children/siblings/ parents on their turn. No further authorisation for grant of family pension would be required. The HOO and Pay and Accounts Officer (PAO) will maintain the details of such disabled children/siblings/ parents in the service book and pension file of the employee/pensioner to enable prompt processing of such requests. On the basis of this approval, the permanently disabled child/sibling/dependent parents will be authorised to receive family pension at the appropriate time.

It is requested that the above stated simplified provision made in the OM cited above for pension process of disabled children/siblings/parents may please be extended for processing of the family pension of unmarried and widowed daughters also which would help the unmarried /widowed daughters to receive family pension on their turn without any hassles

## 7. Enhancement of Ex-gratia granted to CPF/ SRPF(C) retirees and their Families.

Ex-gratia granted to CPF/SRPF beneficiaries in June, 1988 was revised w.e.f. 1/11/1997 and was being paid to them at the following rates.

- a) CPF/SRPF beneficiaries who retired between the periods 18-11-1960 and 31-12-1985 with at least 20 years of service: Rs.600
- Families of Pre-1986 CPF/SRPF retires/ deceased employees and Pre-1960 retirees: Rs.605

The Ex-gratia was further revised as per details below w.e.f 1.11.2006 in respect of SRPF retirees and w.e.f 4.6.2013 in respect of CPF retirees/widows and dependent children of deceased SRPF/CPF retirees

Group A: Rs. 3,000
Group B: Rs. 1,000
Group C: Rs. 750
Group D: Rs. 650

Widows and dependent children of deceased CPF beneficiaries: Rs. 645

These amounts of Ex-gratia are quite inadequate in these days of high inflation and spiralling prices of essential commodities. The request for revision ex gratia of SRPF/CPF (C) retirees needs to be reviewed sympathetically. The quantum of ex-gratia must be enhanced at least to an amount equal to the "minimum pension" admissible to the Central government Pensioners as per the recommendations of 7th Central Pay Commission implemented vide DoP&PW dated 4-8-2016. Further, most of the surviving SRPF/CPF retirees are aged over 80 years and are living under difficult old age infirmities. Hence grant of age- related exgratia amount to old beneficiaries on par with Central civil pensioners, may also please be considered on compassionate grounds. They belong to a "Dwindling Group of Pensioners"

and it may not be difficult for the Government to accept the above suggestion made regarding enhancement of the amount of ex-gratia payable to them and grant of age-related additional ex-gratia.

### 8. Opening of CGHS Wellness Centres in the cities of Mysuru, Mangaluru and Hubballi in Karnataka

Mysuru: Mysuru is one of the cities in the state of Karnataka in which there is concentration of Central government employees and pensioners. There are many central establishments like Income tax. Central Excise & Customs, Post offices, Postal Training centre, CFTRI, Food Research lab, Defence civilian establishments etc. In addition to the serving employees, about 2000 central pensioners who are entitled for CGHS benefits are estimated to be residing in the city. Many central pensioners, who are residing in the city and have opted for CGHS facilities, travel to Bengaluru City which is 140 Kms away from Mysuru for availing CGHS facilities. They are forced to incur heavy expenditure on their travel and have to spend considerable time on to & fro journeys. Old CGHS beneficiaries, especially who are 80 & 80+ years of age, and those who have to regularly visit CGHS Wellness centres in Bengaluru for consultation and procuring medicines for chronic diseases, are forced to withstand the strain involved in travelling about 300 Kms for availing CGHS facilities.

Mangaluru & Hubballi: are the other two major cities in the state where there is concentration of Central government employees and pensioners. An internal survey has revealed that in each of the two cities, in addition to the serving employees, there are

more than 2000 pensioners who are entitled for CGHS benefits.

We urge the Ministry of Health &FW to consider opening of CGHS Wellness Centres in the Cities listed above.

# 9. One time option to CGHS Beneficiaries to choose their ward entitlement based on their Pay in 7th CPC Pay matrix.

Prior to revision of the rates of subscription and entitlement of wards under CGHS with effect from 1st June 2009 vide MoH&FW O.M.No. S-11011/2/2008-CGHS(P) dated 20.5.2009, Pensioners had an option to choose for payment of CGHS Contribution / ward entitlement based either on last pay drawn or their pension. Pensioners who had opted for payment of Contribution based on their pension got lower entitlement of ward than the entitlement based on their last basic pay.

Consequent upon implementation of the recommendations of 7th CPC, the rate of CGHS Contribution was revised to be based on the levels in the Pay matrix and the ward entitlement on the corresponding basic pay in 7th CPC. The revised rates were introduced w.e.f 1.2.2017. Pensioners who are entitled for higher ward entitlement based on their notional Pay in 7th CPC Pay Matrix continue to be eligible for lower ward entitlement since they had opted for determination of their entitlement based on their pension at the time of their retirement/admission to CGHS. It is therefore, requested that a onetime option may be allowed to Pensioners to opt for redetermination of their ward entitlement based on their notional pay in 7th CPC Pay Matrix, which would make them eligible for higher wards in Private Hospitals empanelled under CGHS.

Central Government Holidays in March 2018

- 1. Mahavir Jayanthi, 29th March, Thursday
- 2. Good Friday, 30th March, Friday

Construction of an Annexe to Pensioners' Bhavan, Association's Building in Telecom Layout, Bengaluru

### An APPEAL

## FOR DONATION TO THE BUILDING FUND OF THE ASSOCIATION

Construction of the annexe has reached the plinth level. Work is in progress and by the end of the month may reach the roof level for casting roof of the ground floor. Cost of construction is estimated to be around Rs.50 lakhs.



We are happy to note that there has been good response to our requests for donation made through personal letters written by us to about 1000 members. Donation collected so far amounts to Rs.36,00,000 only. We are therefore forced to repeatedly appeal for liberal donations from those of our Members and Subscribers, **who have not yet responded** to our appeal made through this journal and through personal letters. 18<sup>th</sup> List of donors is published in this issue.

Pre-2016 pensioners are being paid arrears of pension consequent to revision of their pension in terms of DoP&PW OM dated 12-5-2017. We appeal for liberal donations from those who have not yet remitted their contribution.

Members who have donated less than Rs.2000, the minimum amount of donation that we had appealed for, may please remit additional amount to increase their contribution at least to Rs.2,000. Those who have donated above Rs 5,000 but less than 10,000 and those above Rs.10,000 but less than 25,000 may please consider increasing their donation to Rs.10,000 & Rs.25,000 respectively, so that their names may be included in the boards

Donation can be made in instalments also. Progressive total of donations made will be indicated in the list published in the Association's Journal *Pensioners' Champion*, as and when donations are received

Names of those who donate Rs.25,000/- and above will be engraved on granite stone to be embedded in the front wall of the new building and of those who donate Rs. 10,000 and above but less than Rs.25,000/-, will be printed on the boards to be provided in the main hall

**Income Tax exemption**: 50% of the amount of donation made to K P&TPA, is eligible for deduction in the Gross total Income under Section 80-G of Income Tax ACT.

Donation to be remitted by *crossed cheque* payable to "Karnataka P&T Pensioners' Association". (Not KPTPA or KP&TPA)

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Note: Cheques are not to be drawn in the names of either the Secretary or the Treasurer

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## One more Member donates Rs. One lakh Shri M N Shankar, ALM-1781, Director (Retd), Directorate of field Publicity, Bangalore

Executive Committee of K P&T PA expresses its gratitude and conveys its thanks to Sri M N Shankar for generously donating a sum of Rs.50,000/- in February, 2018 thereby increasing his total contribution for the building fund of the association to Rs.1,00,000/- The association hopes to complete the construction of the annexe to pensioners' Bhavan with the liberal donations made by such supportive members and looks forward for help from others.



## Post of Director of Accounts (Postal), Karnataka upgraded to the post of General Manager, (Postal Accounts and Finance).

### New GM takes over

Smt. Sapna Pramod, has assumed charge as the General Manager (Postal Accounts and Finance), Karnataka Circle, Bangalore.

Karnataka P&T Pensioners' Association extends its hearty welcome to the new GM and hopes that under her stewardship, more pensioner friendly initiatives will be taken and greater attention will be paid for resolution of issues concerning pensioners, especially issue of revised PPOs to Pre-2016 Postal Pensioners, revising their 7<sup>th</sup> CPC pension in terms of DoPPW OM dated 12-5-2017.

### Formula for calculation of arrears of pension

Revised basic pension - (minus) Existing Basic pension multiplied by the following multiplication factors

- 1) For calculation of arrears for the period from January 2016 to December 2017 (24 months): multiply the difference between revised basic pension and existing basic pension by 24.66
- 2) For calculation of arrears for the period from January 2016 to January 2018 (25 months): multiply the difference by 25.71
- 3) For calculation of arrears for the period from January 2016 to February 2018 (26 months): multiply the difference by 26.76

### **Examples**

Revised basic pension: 26000 Existing basic pension: 24395

Difference: 1605 - Arrears Jan 16 to Dec 17: 1605 X 24.66 =39,580

Revised basic pension: 23800 Existing basic pension: 21401

Difference: 2399 - Arrears Jan 16 to Jan18: 2399 X 25.71 =61679

Revised basic pension:38090 (basic 29300 + age-related addl pension 8790) Existing basic pension:35653 (basic 27425 + age-related addl pension 8228)

Difference: 2437 - Arrears Jan 16 to Feb 2018: 2437 X 26.76=65215

Note: Amount of arrears computed on the above simple formula may vary by about Rs. 10 from the amount arrived at by preparation of a monthly arrear bill due to rounding off fraction of a rupee to the next rupee at each stage.

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# Status of revision of pension of pre-2016 pensioners in terms of DoP&PW O.M.dated 12-5-2017 – revision of pension at 50%of the notional pay in 7th CPC Pay Matrix

### Postal Pensioners - Karnataka

K.B.Krishna Rao Secretary and V Gopal Joint Secretary, KP&TPA visited the office of the General Manager(Postal Accounts and Finance), Karnataka (O/o the Director of Accounts(Postal) before up gradation) on 21-2-2018 to meet the new General Manager, Smt Sapna Pramod who has taken over as the GM recently. They met Sri K.Ramachandra Bhart, Dy.Director and Sri K.Ramachandran, Asst.Chief Accounts Officer, and discussed with them about the pending pension revision cases. The Officers informed the representatives that out of 15,595 postal pensioners, 12,300 revised PPOs had been issued by 21-2-2018. Out of the remaining pending cases, it was informed that in about 3000 cases particulars of notional pay required for revision of pension have not been received from the pension sanctioning authorities and efforts have been made to ascertain the details from Heads of Postal divisions. It was assured that as and when the required particulars are received from the pension sanctioning authorities, ie.SSPOs/SPOs etc., all the remaining pension revision cases will be settled on priority basis.

We urge the Heads of Postal divisions, to furnish the notional pay particulars called for by Postal Accounts which are required for issue of revised PPOs in respect of the pending cases to GM(PAF), Bangalore on top priority.

Postal pensioners who are yet to get their revised PPOs may ascertain from their HPOs/ SSPOs/SPOs as to whether the particulars of the pay scale and last pay drawn by them have been furnished to the DA(P), Bangalore to facilitate revision of their pension and issue of revised PPO. If necessary, they can furnish copies of their PPOs /last Pay Certificate or any other relevant document to the Head of the Office from which they had retired to facilitate easy access to the particulars required for computation of notional pay & revision of their pension

### DoT Pensioners - Karnataka

It is ascertained that the O/o Controller of Communication Accounts, DoT, Karnataka has completed the work in connection with revision of pension of DoT retirees and 4135 revised PPOs have been issued. Only a few cases where records are not readily available are pending.

DoT pensioners who are yet to get their revised PPOs may furnish particulars of their PPO/Pay Scale/Last pay drawn etc. to the CCA, DoT, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Amenity Block, Palace Road, Bangalore-560001 to facilitate revision of their pension and issue of revised PPO.

### **Defence Civilian Pensioners**

Many pensioners who have retired from Defence establishments like CQAL, LRDE, CQAE etc have reported non receipt of the revised authorities authorising payment of revised pension. Neither any response is received to their repeated requests nor is revised pension credited to their accounts even after elapse of 9 months. Inordinate delay in revision of pension has been brought to the notice of Department of Pension &PWfor urging PCDA, Allahabad to expedite the matter.

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From 1-1-2018 126.9% 2.6% increase over Oct. 2017 rate of 124.3%

ALL INDIA CONSUMER PRICE INDEX							
Month	h CPI Base 2001=100 12 Months' Monthly % increase over 261.42 over 119						
				7th CPC	6th CPC		
Jun 17	280	3323	276.92	5.93	139.22		
Dec 17	286	3374	281.20	7.57	142.92		

DA/DR from 1-1-2018: 7 % (2% increase over July 2017 rate) 6th CPC - 142% (3% increase over July 2017 rate)

## OBITUARY

Sri K G Nagarajaiah, LM 1103, retired Sub Record Officer, SRO RMS Q Dn,Bagarpet expired on 19-12-2017 at the age of 82 years. He is survived by wife, 2 sons and 2 daughters

Sri K V Srinivasa Murthy, LM 1803, retired HMG, BCR, B'City RMS expired on 11-2-2018 at the age of 74 years. He is survived by wife and 2 sons.

We convey our heartfelt condolences to the bereaved families.

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Principal Scientist, NBSS & LUP, ICAR, Hebbal, Bengaluru

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Donation for the Building Fund - 18th List

SI No.	Name Sri/Smt.	Membership No.	Amount Rs.	Receipt No.	Progressive Total of donation
737	M.N.Shankar	1781	50000	3249	100000
738	N.Bhaskaran	35	40000	3228/3250	50000
739	K.B.Krishna Rao	1131	25000	3259	50,000
740	K.Girija	1327	25000	3254	00/000
741	H.V.Ramanatha	1083	23323	3216	33333
742	R.Venkataramana	1838	20000	3212	
743	H.S. Manjunatha	1015	16950	3257	26950
744	T.S. Rajashekaraiah	1381	15455		25555
745	B.R.Rao	305	15000	3215	25100
746	A.Kanagamany	920	15000	3224	25000
747	P.Raghavendra Nayak	2160	15000	3217	25000
748	B.Sadashiva Rao	4	14445	3242	40445
749	M.Vasudeva Rao	1568	10000	3190	15000
750	P.Chandrasekaraiah	1623	10000	3236	
751	T.G.Chandrashekara	2511	10000	3211	
752	R.Krishna Moorthy	2526	10000	3253	
753	T.Chandrasekharan	603	7333	3248	33333
754	Abdul Gaffoor	2446	5005	3176	10005
755	M.N.Gowda	2109	5001	3221	15001
756	B.N.Krishna Murthy	18	5000	3252	15000
757	R.Gopalakrishna	84	5000	3218	
758	A.O.Srinivasaiah	313	5000	3227	
759	K.V.Sathyanarayana	848	5000	3178	10000
760	S.Seshadri	1218	5000	3213	
761	K.Mahadevappa	1351	5000	3243	
762	A.G.Kulkarni	1536	5000	3186	
763	S.G.Hegde	2111	5000	3244	
764	K.S.Gayathri	732	4000	3184	
765	K T Chikkaswamy	791	4,000	3258	6,000
766	G.M.Halvadia	2479	3200	3199	
767	V.Nagabhushana Rao	68	3000	3180	5000
768	T.G.Kuppuswamy	177	3000	3255	10000
769	V.S.Burge	542	3000	3207	5000

SI No.	Name Sri/Smt.	Membership No.	Amount Rs.	Receipt No.	Progressive Total of donation
770	G.Shanmugha Vadivelu	599	3000	3189	5100
771	D.R.Balarama Gupta	782	3000	3209	5000
772	Jayashankara Rao	1271	3000	3204	5000
773	K.Vittoba Rao	1799	3000	3181	4000
774	Kalpana	1910	3000	3179	5000
775	Dr.K.M.Shivakumar	2004	3000	3183	
776	M.K.Venkatesh	221	2000	3205	
777	K.Venkoba Rao	322	2000	3241	
778	P.A.Koneri Rao	906	2000	3240	
779	S.Ramesh	968	2000	3198	4000
780	B.V.Subba Rao	982	2000	3208	
781	Chandrashekhar Karanth	1076	2000	3219	12111
781	V.Ranganatha Rao	1292	2000	3182	
782	J.D.R.Delhi	1418	2000	3201	
784	G.Chennakeshava Murthy	1419	2000	3202	
785	M.Balakrishnan	1635	2000	3203	
786	R.R.T.Lavi	1725	2000	3238	
787	Elizabeth Prema	1876	2000	3200	
788	J.R.Srinivasa Murthy	2046	2000	3237	
789	K.R.Anantha Ramu	2062	2000	3251	29000
790	Subhadra.J.Shenvi	2131	2000	3222	7000
791	M.N.Kamble	2452	2000	3177	4000
792	V.Venkataramu	1184	1500	3226	2000
793	M.Elangovan	2206	1500	3225	
794	G.Venkatasubbaiah	2561	1001	3223	
795	S.L.Gopalakrishna	549	1000	3220	
796	N.Ananthapadmanabha Rao	1293	1000	3197	
797	Soundaram Thyagarajan	1309	1000	3206	
798	J.Dheerendra	1782	1000	3185	
799	K.S.Manjunatha	2410	1000	3239	
800	K.N.Narasinga Rao	428	500	3214	
801	S.Y.Kudtarkar	2088	500	3188	1000
802	J.Jagadish	2411	500	3245	
803	Venkateshwara Sharma	2449	500	3247	
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#### Our Members write

It is heartening to note that "Pensioners' Champion" is doing a wonderful job in bringing out all the information in general and CGHS matters in particular and the latest Government Orders, which are useful not only to the pensioners but also to the serving employees. I would like to appreciate the good work being done by the team of office bearers of the association and thank it on behalf of all pensioners.

A.Poobalan, LM-1550

Senior Superintendent of Post Offices (Retd.)

My warm greetings and salutes for your tireless service to the pensioners. I wish the Secretary and Office bearers health and prosperity to continue with the thankless job.

S.Jyothikumar, S-299

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