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**Minutes of the 30th meeting of Standing Committee of Voluntary  
Agencies (SCOVA) held on 23.03.2018, at New Delhi**

**Discussion on the Action Taken Report of 29th SCOVA  
meeting held on 12-1-2017**

**i). Revision of PPOs of pre-2006 pensioners.**

CPAO, Ministry of Railways, Department of Telecom and Department of Posts informed that revision of pension w.e.f 01.01.2006 in respect of all pre-2006 Pensioners has been completed. CGDA informed that out of a total of 1,39,504 Air Force Pensioners drawing pension as on 01.01.2016, 76591 were identified as pre-2006 pensioners. Revised authority in respect of 69,595 pre-2006 pensioners has been issued. However, revised PPOs in respect of 6996 pensioners were yet to be issued. These cases are pending due to non-matching of records (PPO No.) provided

by PDAs with the records available with Pension Sanctioning Authorities (PSAs). Banks are also not able to intimate correct PPO numbers in these cases. He informed that efforts are being made to identify these 6996 pre-2006 pensioners.

The Air Force Association contested the claim of CGDA that there are only 1,39,504 Pre-2006 Air Force Pensioners. It was brought out by the Secretary Air Force Association that in Mar 17, the Raksha Mantri while giving an answer to Lok Sabha Starred question had indicated the figure as 2,05,942. Further, as late as Feb 18, 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 on their CD. As regards the number of pre-06 Air Force Pensioners for whom Corr. PPOs have not been issued, the number is close to 1,00,000 and not 6,996 as stated by CGDA.

It was decided that CGDA will reconcile the figures of all pending cases of revision of pension of pre-2006 pensioners in consultation with Directorate of Air Veterans, Air HQ and issue revised authority in respect of all the pre-2006 pensioners along with their 7th CPC Pension revision. CGDA will also take urgent action to identify the 6996 pre-2006 pensioners and issue revised authority, where necessary. It was decided that the CGDA will fix a target date of around 3 months for completion of these activities. Subject to this, the item was closed in respect of all other Departments.

**ii). Health Insurance Scheme for pensioners including those residing in Non-CGHS area.**

Ministry of Health and Family Welfare informed that final EFC Memo regarding finalization of Health Insurance Scheme was submitted more than a year ago and that the matter was pending with Department of Expenditure. Director (E.V), Department of Expenditure said that the proposal is not pending with his Division and it may be pending with some other Division in the Department of Expenditure. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare was advised to follow up the matter with Department of Expenditure for taking a final decision in regard to EFC Memo.

**(iii). Special “Higher” Family Pension for widows of the war disabled invalidated out of service**

Department of Ex-servicemen Welfare informed that the matter has been examined in consultation with Service Headquarters. In accordance with the relevant rules, on death of a pensioner in receipt of disability pension,

only the normal family pension is allowed. Therefore, Special Higher Family Pension for widows of war disabled pensioners is not permitted under the rules. It has therefore been decided, in consultation with Defence (Finance), that the request for Higher Family Pension in such cases cannot be accepted.

**(iv). Extension of CGHS facilities to P&T pensioners.**

Ministry of Health and Family Welfare informed that CGHS facility has been extended to all pensioners of P&T Department vide Ministry of Health and Family Welfare OM dated 19.07.2017. In view of this, the item was closed.

**(v). Conversion of Postal Dispensary at Cantt. Road Cuttack to CGHS Wellness Centre**

Ministry of Health & Family Welfare informed that on the recommendations of the 7th CPC, 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 such P&T dispensaries. After firming up a proposal in consultation with Department of Posts, the matter will be referred to Department of Expenditure for their approval. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare informed that the process is likely to be completed in 3 months time. The proposal for merger of Postal Dispensary at Cuttack in CGHS and P&T dispensaries in other cities would be considered as a part of comprehensive proposal for merger of P&T dispensaries in CGHS

**(vi). Anomaly in fixation of pension of DoT employees who were absorbed in BSNL (unretired) between 01.10.2000 and 31.07.2001**

DoT informed that Hon'ble CAT in its order dated 16.12.2016 has allowed the petition filed by some absorbee BSNL pensioners who

retired during 01.10.2000 and 30.07.2001. DOT has filed a writ petition in Delhi High Court against order of Hon'ble CAT. Hon'ble High Court has granted stay on implementation of Hon'ble CAT's order. The case will come up for hearing in High Court in October, 2018. DoT has separately moved a proposal to Department of Expenditure on a formulation suggested by DoPPW. Department of Expenditure has sought financial implications on the proposal. DoT is compiling information and would submit the same to Department of Expenditure.

**(vii). Extension of benefit 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/-)**

It was informed that CAT, Bangalore Bench and High Court of Karnataka have in some cases allowed the grant of grade pay of Rs. 4600/- to pre-2006 pensioners who retired from the pay scale of Rs. 6500-10500/- In order to avoid the contempt action. DoT has implemented the orders of Hon'ble CAT/High Court in respect of the petitioners only. Director (PP), Department of Pension & PW informed that a proposal for extending the benefit of grade pay of Rs. 4600/- for revision of pension of all pre-2006 pensioners who retired from the pre- revised pay scale of Rs.6500-10500/- was earlier referred to Department of Expenditure. However, the proposal was not agreed to by Department of Expenditure. The matter has again been referred to Department of Expenditure for reconsideration on 22.02.2018. Department of Expenditure was requested to expedite their decision in the matter.

**(viii). Merger of Survey of India Dispensary at Dehradun in CGHS on the same lines as P&T.**

Ministry of Health and Family Welfare informed that the proposal regarding merger of Survey of India Dispensary under CGHS in Dehradun has been agreed to by Survey or

General of India and the matter is being examined in consultation with Ministry of Science & Technology. A committee has been formed comprising officers from Survey of India and Directorate General of CGHS to sort out the issue regarding merger of Survey of India Dispensary in CGHS. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare informed that a good progress has been made in this regard and a decision is likely to be taken in a month's time.

**(ix). Stoppage of recovery of wrongful/ excess payments from Railways Pensioners.**

Ministry of Railways informed that vide Railway Board's letter no.04.05.2017, instructions have been issued to all Zonal Railways to provisionally stop recovery from the pensioners till further advice from the Railway Board which will be issued on receipt of instructions from Department of Expenditure. Ministry of Railways informed that the Department of Expenditure has desired certain information. The information is being collected from all Zonal Railways and Production Units. After compiling the information, the matter will be resubmitted to Department of Expenditure for approval.

N.F Railways Pensioners Association, Uttarapara Central Govt. Pensioners Welfare Association and Railway Pensioner Association, Mysore mentioned that in spite of circular dated 04.05.2017, certain Zonal Railways and Public Disbursing Banks in some zones, e.g North- East Frontier Railway and Eastern Railway, were still continuing with recoveries from the pensioners. It was also mentioned that although the instructions issued by Railways provide for refund of the recoveries made, these instructions have not been implemented. Ministry of Railways was advised to look into these issues and take up the matter with the concerned Zonal Railways, and the Banks and ensure that the instructions issued by Railway Board were duly implemented. The concerned Pensioners'

Associations will provide details of cases where instructions dated 04.05.2017 have not been implemented and recovery is continued from the pensioners. Ministry of Railways was also advised to expedite a final decision on the issue of recoveries in consultation with Department of Expenditure.

**(x). Delay in commencement of family pension to spouse on death of pensioners.**

It was mentioned that instructions issued by DoPPW/CPAO provide that family pension to widow should commence within one month of the receipt of death certificate in respect of deceased pensioner. However, widows and other family members of the deceased pensioner continue to face a lot of difficulties in getting the family pension started.

CPAO informed that they have obtained information regarding time taken in commencement of family pension from all banks. The report prepared by CPAO confirms that there has been considerable delays by the banks in commencement of family pension on death of pensioner. The family pension commenced within stipulated period of one month was only in only 38% in cases. In around 47% cases, the time taken for commencement of family pension was more than 6 months. CPAO informed that they have again issued instructions to all the banks on 30.01.2018 and had also taken a meeting with these banks on 31.01.2018 to impress upon them the need for ensuring that the family pension commences within the stipulated one month period. Department of Pension and PW has also taken up the matter with Department of Financial Services on 07.02.2018 forwarding a copy of the report received from CPAO and requesting them to advise all Banks to adhere to the timeline.

DFS was requested to take up the matter with the banks at highest level to make sure that the families of the deceased pensioners get the family pension in time and an

acknowledgment is invariably given by the Bank to the family member on receipt of the death certificate of the deceased pensioner and application for commencement of family pension. CPAO was advised that the representatives from DFS may also be invited in meetings held by CPAO with the banks.

Tamil Nadu Ex-services League informed that the issue is also concerned with Defence Family Pensioners and there are number of delayed cases. They also handed over the list of delayed cases to the DFS.

Uttarpara Central Govt. Pensioners Association representative said that carrying on payment of pension by banks after receipt of death certificate from spouse etc. causes subsequent complications and delay in start of family pension, be stopped by banks.

**(xi). Timely (i) Restoration of commuted pension and (ii) Commencement of Additional Pension on attaining the age of 80 years by the Banks.**

Director (PP), DOPPW informed that as per the reports received from CPAO, in more than 83% cases during 1.10.2016 and 30.09.2017, commuted pension was restored after a period of 12 months from the date it was due. The report of CPAO also reveals that in 87% cases, the additional pension to old pensioners was started more than 12 months after the date when it was due. Secretary (P&PW), observed that situation is really grim and it cannot be allowed to continue. JS(Pension), DoPPW emphasized the need for making suitable modifications in the software for automatic restoration of commuted value of pension and commencement of additional pension/family pension. Department of Financial Services (DFS) was advised to instruct banks in this regard.

CPAO informed that the instructions have been issued to CPPCs of the banks from time to time to ensure restoration of commuted pension and commencement/enhancement of

additional pension. The matter was also discussed by the CPAO with the banks in the meeting held on 31.01.2018 and the banks were directed to make necessary provisions in the software for timely restoration of commutation and commencement of additional pension. CPAO also requested that all CPPCs should have their e-mail id and contact number. Software should also have date of birth of family pensioners.

CPAO informed that CGA is in the process of developing common software for banks which will take care of problems relating to delay in restoration of commuted pension and commencement of additional pension.

**(xii). Item wise details of payment made to be shown in the pass books of pensioners.**

DFS representative informed that instructions to the banks have been issued in January, 2018 in this regard. DoPPW mentioned 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 to all the Banks in this regard.

CPAO representative informed that the details regarding pension paid during last 24 months can be accessed from their website. Joint Secretary (P) said that Ministry of Railways should also explore the feasibility of similar provisions in their software ARPAN

**(xiii). Additional Pension for recipients of disability pension of age of 80 years and above**

Department of Ex-servicemen Welfare informed that orders in this regard have been issued by Department of Ex-servicemen Welfare vide their letter dated 05.09.2017. The item was accordingly closed

**(xiv). Upgradation of Polyclinic at Bajaj Nagar, Jaipur.**

Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

informed that the matter has been discussed with NIC. The NIC has informed that messages on medicines are already being sent through SMS. However, detailed information of medicines and investigation reports cannot be sent through SMS, for which the e-mail will be captured.

Ministry of Health & Family Welfare informed that up gradation of Polyclinic, Jaipur has already been completed. The Association raised the issue of replacement of old equipments for Eye and ENT treatment. Ministry of Health & Family Welfare informed that these issues will be considered on receipt of a request. Ministry of Health & Family Welfare stated that an officer of the Department will visit Jaipur in April, 2018 to sort out all the pending issues relating to the dispensary.

**(xv). 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 the Department of Expenditure. Further action for opening of wellness centre at Kochi will be taken on receipt of approval from the Department of Expenditure

**(xvi). Empanelment of Hospitals/ Health Centre with CGHS in Ambernath/Dombivli.**

**(Not extracted)**

**Discussion on Fresh Agenda Items of 30th SCOVA meeting**

**(30.1) Revision of PPOs of pre-2016 pensioners/family pensioners as per 7thCPC orders.**

CPAO informed that out of 9.06 lakh cases, 5,98,400 have been received from PAOs of different Ministries/Departments. Out of which, 5,13,160 cases have been revised as per 7th CPC. CPAO also informed that revision at their end has been fast, however, the cases

are not coming from the DDO level because of non-availability of records. The pensioners associations stated that although PPOs have been revised in many cases, pensioners are not getting the copy of the Revised Authority. Also, as well as payments have not been started by the banks due to non-receipt of PPOs by them in many cases.

Department of Posts informed that out of 2,58,205 cases, they have issued revised authorities in respect of 2,17,644 cases.

Department of Telecom informed that out of 95,659 cases, 90,572 cases have been revised as per 7th CPC.

Ministry of Railways informed that out of 13,87,542 cases, 8,43,391 cases have been revised.

Out of 5,58,761 cases of Defence Civilian pensioners/family pensioners, revised authority has been issued in respect of 1,52,417 cases. Ministry of Defence intimated that they are monitoring the revision of cases of pensioners at highest level i.e by Secretary (Defence); and CGDA is also monitoring these case fortnightly. Concordance tables for service pensioners have been prepared and will be submitted to Ministry of Defence for approval. Pensioners also 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.

It was decided the work revision of PPOs should be completed by all Ministries/ Departments (except Ministry of Defence) by 31.05.2018. Ministry of Defence/CGDA will complete the work in respect of civilian pensioners by 30.06.2018.

Uttarpara Central Govt. Pensioners Association said that the revised PPO should be sent by issuing authority to the last known address of Pensioner/Family Pensioner by

registered Post to ensure its deliver

N.F. Railway Pensioners Association raised the issue that although the PPO has been revised there are lying with the banks and banks are not revising pension because of shortage of man-power. Ministry of Railways was advised to hold meetings with the SBI, Assam especially CPPC, Guwahati, Kolkata and Patna and UCO bank to sort out the problems.

**(30.2). Payment of arrears accruing in respect of deceased pensioners/family pensioners to the nominee/legal heir.**

It was mentioned that payment of life time arrears in such cases is covered by para 23.2 and 23.3 of the Scheme Booklet of CPAO. As per this para payment is made by the bank to the nominee by a bank pay order after making suitable note on both halves of the PPO. CPAO was advised to direct all banks to take action accordingly in these cases. In the context of revision of pension/family pension of those pensioners/family pensioners who have died on or after 01.01.2016, it was clarified that revised authority needs to be issued in respect of all such pensioners/family pensioners. It was decided that suitable instructions in this regard will be issued by DoPPW.

**(30.3). Extension of benefit of modified parity/revision of pension by pay fixation method to pensioners drawing Compulsory retirement pension/ Compassionate Allowance (on dismissal/removal).**

DoPPW informed that the matter has been taken up with Department of Expenditure. Department of Expenditure informed that the proposal was under examination with them.

**(30.4) Empanelment of private referral hospitals in each of the districts of the States in the country.**

Ministry of Health and Family Welfare informed that empanelment of private hospitals is done only in those cities where CGHS facility exists. Due to referral issue, empanelment of private hospitals was not possible in non-CGHS areas. The proposal for opening of CGHS wellness centres in some more cities is under consideration with Department of Expenditure. Empanelment of private hospitals in these cities will also be considered. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare also informed that the pensioners in non-CGHS areas can also avail CGHS facility and thus avail the benefit of treatment in private empanelled hospitals in CGHS areas. In view of the above, the item was closed.

**(30.5) Revision of CGHS package rates suitable for attracting more private hospitals for empanelment.**

Ministry of Health & 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 finalization of rates. This is likely to attract more private hospitals for empanelment under CGHS.

**(30.6) Fixed Medical Allowance for pensioners who are residing away from RELHS centres.**

Ministry of Railways informed that all pensioners are covered under RELHS. However, in accordance with instructions issued in the year 2011, all Railway Pensioners residing at a distance of 2.5 kms or more from

Railway Health Clinics can claim FMA after submitting an undertaking that they will not take OPD treatment from medical hospitals or Railway Health Centres. Therefore, the contention that the Railway pensioners residing away from RELHS centres are not eligible for FMA, is not correct. In view of this, the item was closed.

**(30.7) Difference in Last Rank held and Rank for Pension in the case of pre-2006 military pensioners**

**(Not extracted)**

**(30.8) Extension of benefit of Composite Hospitals to CAPF personnel**

**(Not extracted)**

**(30.9) Holding of regular Pension Adalat by all major Ministries /Departments**

DoP&PW informed that they had issued instructions to all Ministries/Departments to hold Pension Adalats. Ministry of Defence informed that they are regularly conducting such adalats. Ministry of Railways, DoT, Department of Posts also informed that they have been regularly conducting such Pension Adalats. Representatives of Pensioners associations also confirmed holding of Pension Adalats by the respective Departments on regular basis. Therefore, the item was closed.

7. In view of the large number of unresolved issues relating to banks, it was decided that a special review meetings on issues related to banks will be taken by Secretary (P&PW). CPAO and Department of Financial Services will also participate in the meetings.

**CGHS**

**Health awareness programme**

Health awareness programme on '**Prevention & early detection of cancer**' is arranged to be conducted under the leadership of Dr. Rajendra P Joshi Sr.CMO, CGHS at CGHS Wellness Centre 10, DRDO Complex, C V Raman Nagar, Bangalore-560093. Date-09/06/2018, Time-1.30 PM to 3.30PM. Beneficiaries of all the CGHS Wellness Centres in Bengaluru are requested to participate.

**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 ground floor and first floor is completed. Other works are in progress. Cost of construction is estimated to be around Rs.56 lakhs + cost of installation of a lift. Donation collected so far amounts to Rs.45 lakh 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. 21<sup>th</sup> List of donors is published in this issue. Annexe is scheduled to be opened on 9-9-2018 simultaneously with holding of the AGB.

Most of the Pre-2016 pensioners have got arrears of pension consequent to revision of their pension in terms of DoP&PW OM dated 12-5-2017(7<sup>th</sup> CPC). 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 to at least Rs.2,000. Those who have donated above Rs 5,000 but less than 10,000 and 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

**Opening of new building: 9-9-2018. Please remit your donation so that your name can be included in the boards**



**7th CPC**

**Extension of 7<sup>th</sup> CPC benefits to pensioners of Autonomous bodies**

*Gol, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Department of Commerce (Plantation Division)  
Letter No. 5/20/2008-Plant((Coord)(Part) dated 15<sup>th</sup> May 2018*

To  
The Deputy Chairman, Tea Board, Kolkata  
The Secretary, Coffee Board, Bengaluru  
The Executive Director, Rubber Board, Kottayam  
The Chairman, Spices Board, Kochi

Extension benefits of 7<sup>th</sup> CPC to the pensioners and family pensioners of Autonomous bodies under the control of Department of Commerce

I am directed to inform that the issue of Extension benefits of 7<sup>th</sup> Pay Commission to the pensioners and family pensioners of Commodity Boards Viz. Tea Board, Coffee Board, Rubber Board and Spices Board was examined in the Department. The Competent Authority has considered the extension of such benefit w.e.f 1.1.2018 subject to the condition that the Boards can meet the additional requirement from their own resources and budget presently available.

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority and in concurrence with Finance Division vide their No. 64/FD/2018 dated 1<sup>st</sup> May 2018.

M S Banerjee

Under secretary to the Govt of India

**Pension  
disbursement  
to sick  
pensioners**

*Gol, Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure, Centralised Pension Accounting  
Office OM No.CPAO/IT&Tech/Bank performance/37 (VOI-III)(A)2018-19/17  
dated 25-4-2018*

**Deficiency in providing of services by banks to sick pensioners/family pensioners**

It has been observed that number of grievances are being received in CPA0 regarding deficiency in services rendered by banks to pensioners/family pensioners Pensioners/family pensioner especially those who are sick/ paralyzed and bedridden are facing problems while withdrawing their money from their respective pension accounts. In view of the above, Heads of CPPCs and Heads of Government Business Divisions of all the authorized banks are requested to issue necessary instructions to all the branches to attend these pensioners/family pensioners who are sick, paralyzed and bedridden on priority basis with empathy so that no hardships are caused to the Pensioners/family pensioners.

This issues with the approval of Chief Controller (pensions)

Praful Dabral, Sr. Accounts Officer (IT & Tech)

**FOR THE KIND ATTENTION OF DONORS**

List of donations received up to 20-04-2018 for the building fund of the association has been uploaded to the web site of the association "[kptpa.org](http://kptpa.org)". A new menu has been created and the donor lists have been loaded there. Also available under "What's New" section.

Donors may visit the website to view the details of the contributions made by them.

Lists are available for viewing both in Alphabetical order and as per the membership numbers of the donors.

**PENSIONERS' CHAMPION**

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**MAY 2018**

**CGHS**

## **Issue of medicines to CGHS beneficiaries prescribed by the Specialists even after the expiry of the validity of the prescription in Chronic diseases - CGHS Clarification**

*Gol, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Department of Health & Family Welfare, Directorate General of CGHS OM No:Z.15025/33/2018/DIR/CGHS Dated the 1st May, 2018*

### **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 that this Ministry is in receipt of representations from CGHS beneficiaries, particularly from Senior Citizens regarding refusal of CGHS for issue of medicines prescribed by Specialists, immediately on expiry of the period for which the prescription has been issued, The matter has been reviewed by the competent authority in view of the difficulties faced by the CGHS beneficiaries and it is now decided that Medical

Officers of CGHS can issue the same medicines to CGHS beneficiaries prescribed by the Specialists even after the expiry of the validity of the prescription in Chronic diseases, where the clinical condition is stable and CGHS shall not insist on immediate re-validation by Specialists.

However, in cases of Chemotherapy and immunosuppressant treatment regular follow up from Specialists would be advisable.

**Fixed  
Medical  
allowance**

*Gol, Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure, Centralised Pension Accounting Office OM No. CPAO/ IT&Tech/Revision (7th CPC)/19 Vol III (E)/2018-19/15 dated 23/4/2018.*

### **Grant of Fixed Medical Allowance**

DP&PW vide its OM No 45I57I97-P&PW (C) dated-19/12/1997 followed by OM No 4/25/2008-P PW [D] dated-26.05,2010, OM No.4/25I2008-P&PW (D) dated 19.11.2014 and OM No. 4/3412017-P&PW (D) dated19/07 / 2017 had introduced the Payment of Medical allowance to those pensioners who were not residing in the areas where no such outdoor facilities are available. An undertaking is required to be submitted by claimants to the effect that they are not residing in the areas where no such outdoor facilities are available. On the basis of this undertaking pension disbursing authorities shall make an entry in regard to grant of medical allowance in the both halves of PPO of the individual concerned and authorise payment of medical allowance.

Such an undertaking can be obtained by Bank, Departmental PAO and Treasury' as applicable once every year along with other certificates the pensioner is required to furnish.

As and when grant of medical allowance to a pensioner/family pensioner is authorized by the pension disbursing authority, intimation to this effect shall be sent to the CPAO/ concerned Pay & Accounts Office in the prescribed proforma. Payment shall be made to the pensioner by the pension disbursing authority along with pension/family pension on monthly basis

All Heads of Government Accounts Department and CPPCs are advised to make the payment accordingly along with recovery made if any.

Praful Dabral  
(Sr. Accounts Officer IT& Tech)

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**CPAO Order  
Recovery of  
excess payment**

*Gol, Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure, Centralised Pension Accounting  
Office OM No. CPAO/IT&Tech/SCOVA/20(Vol-1)/2018-19/26 dated 16.05,2018*

**Recovery of excess payment made to pensioners.**

It has been brought to the notice of this office that some Bank branches are refusing to disburse the family pension to the family pensioners until and unless the whole overpaid amount is credited back to the bank. This issue was also highlighted in the Standing Committee of Voluntary Agencies (SCOVA) meeting Chaired by Hon'ble Minister of State of the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions.

In this context, RBI in consultation with office of the CGA, Ministry of Finance, Dept. of Expenditure has issued instructions for recovery of excess payment made to pensioners vide their Circular No. RBI/2015-16/340 DGBA GAD No.2960/45.01.001/ 2415-16 dated-17.03 .2016 which is reproduced below:-

- (a) As soon as the excess/wrong payment made to a pensioner comes to the notice of the paying branch, the branch should adjust the same against the amount standing to the credit of the pensioner's account to the extent possible including lumpsum arrears payment.
- (b) If the entire amount of over payment cannot be adjusted from the account, the pensioner may be asked to pay forthwith the balance amount of over payment.
- (c) In case the pensioner expresses his inability to pay the amount, the same may be adjusted from the future pension payments to be made to the pensioners. For recovering the over-payment made to pensioner from his future pension payment in installments 1/3rd of net (pension plus relief) payable each month may be recovered unless the pensioner concerned gives consent in writing to pay a higher instalment amount.
- (d) If the over payment cannot be recovered from the pensioner due to his death, or discontinuance of pension then action has to be taken as per the letter of undertaking given by the pensioner under the scheme
- (e) The pensioner may also be advised about the details of over payment/ wrong payment and mode of its recovery.

The above uniform procedure may be strictly adhered to while effecting recovery of excess/ wrong pension payments made to pensioners and necessary Instructions may be issued to the bank branches to ensure that no branch may refuse the pension/family pension to the pensioners on the pretext of excess payment/ recoveries.

This issues with the approval of chief controller (pensions)

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

ALL INDIA CONSUMER PRICE INDEX					
Month	CPI Base 2001=100	12 Months' Total	Monthly Ave.	% increase over 261.42	% increase over 115.76
				7th CPC	6th CPC
Jun 17	280	3323	276.92	5.93	139.22
Mar 18	287	3413	284.42	8.80	145.70

DA/DR from 1-1-2018: 7% (2% increase over July 2017 rate of 5%)  
6th CPC - 142% (3% increase over July 2017 rate of 139%)

**Central Government Holiday  
in JUNE 2018**  
**Idul Fitr 6th June 2018,**  
**Wednesday**

**CPAO Order on Pension Slip**

*Gol, Ministry of Finance, department of Expenditure, Central Pension Accounting Office, OM No. CPAO/IT&Tech/Bank Performance/37(Vol III)/2018-19/23 dated 15/05/2018*

**Non-issue of Pension slip by banks.**

Attention is invited to para 4.6.6 of CPPC guidelines issued by CPAO whereby it has been mentioned that "The Home Branch will meet all information needs of the Pensioner using the CPPC system. The CPPC software will display on the computer screen options and view of the details of calculation of pension and its breakup of the pension paid to the pensioner/ family pensioner. The Home Branch will act as intermediary between the pensioner & CPPC and besides providing accounts

statement, provide to the pensioners the TDS, pension slip, the Due and Drawn Statement in respect of each arrear and the Annual Income Statement".

In view of the above, Heads of CPPCs and Heads of Government Business Divisions of all the authorized banks are requested to strictly adhere to the above mentioned provision of para 4.6.6 of the CPPC guidelines.

This issues with the approval of Chief Controller (Pensions)

Praful Dabral, Sr. Accounts Officer IT & Tech

**Our Readers write**

You have introduced a new feature called "Our Readers Write". Most of the letters are only 'flattery'. Good work done does not require any appreciation and bad work requires condemnation. Criticism should be entertained and not flattery. We should refrain from publishing such letters. You should encourage members to offer suggestions. Any criticism should be encouraged and welcomed.

**B A Shetty, LM-1621**

The column was introduced only on the suggestions from our members and readers who wanted that their feedback on the content of the journal, suggestion on its improvement and their comments (good or otherwise) on service of the association should find a place in the journal. We have, in all of our annual general body meetings, repeatedly requested for suggestions from our members in improvement of the content of the journal and also to tell us about the short comings which would help us in ensuring better service to pensioners. Our intention, has always been, to extend best possible service. We won't either be carried away by many letters that we get in appreciation of our work, or deterred from continuing with our service by an occasional criticism. We take both appreciation and criticism on an even keel.

**Editor**

I am happy to note that our Journal is growing rich in its content from issue to issue because of the sincere efforts put forth by you and your team. I wish you all good luck.

**Bandigaiah, Superintendent RMS (Retd), Mysuru**

Really, I am awestruck that KP&TPA, in a very limited span of time, has been able to collect such a large sum as donation, resulting in the completion of the project very soon. I am reminded of Sir C P RAMASWAMY Iyer's words "quick conception and easy delivery". Hats off to KP&TPA

**T V Ramamurthy, LM-2467, Tanjavur**

Revised PPO in respect of very senior pensioner Sri S N Janakiraman received. Your work sheet on computation of revised pension was very helpful to us to speed up his case. Thank you very much sir for helping to settle the pension revision case of a former veteran union leader. Your association's Journal Pensioners' Champion is very informative.

**B. Ammaiappan, Joint Secretary,  
Southern Region Pensioners' Association, Madurai**

### Donation for the Building Fund - 21st List

SI No.	Name Sri/Smt.	Membership No.	Amount Rs.	Receipt No.	Progressive Total of donation
880	Prabhakara A R S	2599	26100	3324	
881	T.Suryanarayanan	954	20000	3323	
882	V.Gopal	2157	15000	3310	50000
883	B.Sadashiva Rao	4	10555	3334	51000
884	A.Mahabaleshwar Karanth	349	10000	3321	13000
885	Attavar Yoganand	644	10000	3486	25100
886	B.L.Channappa	838	10000	3312	35159
887	B A Shetty	1621	10000	3338	13701
888	Yalakki Gowda	2358	10000	3313	
889	J.N.Lakshminarayana Sharma	2600	10000	3311	
890	Karnataka IA & AD Pen.Assn		10000	3301	
891	K.Sethumadhavan	1735	8001	3302	10001
892	S.M.Vittal Rao	48	6210	3339	96866
893	B.N.Krishna Murthy	18	5000	3496	20000
894	M.S.Venkataramaiah	442	5000	3332	15001
895	P.N.Sreenivasa Rao	650	8000	3303	10000
896	N.C.Joga Rao	723	5000	3490	
897	T.N.Jagadeeshan	980	5000	3497	7000
898	H.Puttaswamy	2500	5000	3487	
899	G.R.Saraswathamma	2528	5000	3306	
900	T.V.Rau	639	4000	3318	5000
901	P.K.Prabhu	1420	4000	3491	9000
902	K.R.Anantha Ramu	2062	4000	3327	37000
903	M.Lakshmana Rao	1795	3000	3340	
904	M.V.Nanjunda Rao	589	2000	3328	5000
905	Chandrashekhar Karanth	1076	2000	3309	18111
906	S.K.Venkatesha Murthy	1198	2000	3331	4001
907	R.Badrinath	1213	2000	3319	4000
908	B.G.Mugadur	1628	2000	3320	

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SI No.	Name Sri/Smt.	Membership No.	Amount Rs.	Receipt No.	Progressive Total of donation
909	T.Sridhar	1938	2500	3488	
910	J.S.Konnur	2029	2000	3329	
911	S.A.Kumbar	2162	2000	3335	
912	H.Sitharam Bhat	2387	2000	3498	
913	S.N.Janakiraman	S-56	2000	3317	4000
914	Mirza Abdullah	147	2000		
915	G.Basappa	793	1500	3495	
916	L.M.Niranjana Murthy	1879	1500	3305	3001
917	K.Devanthan	2179	1380	3337	3380
918	Nalini Prasad	1595	1000	3322	
919	V.B.Talwar	2281	1000	3304	
920	K S Menon	2282	1000	3336	4000
921	T.V.Ramamurthi	2467	1000	3485	
922	M.S.Shamanna	2498	1000	3492	
923	T.M.Subramaniam	2535	1000	3330	
924	S.N.Krishna Murthy	847	500	3484	
925	G.M.Halvadia	2479	300	3333	6800

### 23rd Annual General Body Meeting of Karnataka Posts and Telecommunications Pensioners' Association,

Will be held simultaneously with the opening ceremony of the newly built Annex to Pensioners Bhavan, Association's own building, No.61, 1st Main Road, Telecom Layout, Srirampura, Phase II, Jakkur Cross, Bengaluru-560064

**on Sunday the 9th September, 2018 at 9-00 a.m.**

Formal Notice of the meeting & Agenda, Annual Report, Annual Accounts & Auditor's report and List of Members of 75 years of age to be felicitated in the AGB Will be published In the next /subsequent issue/ issues of the Journal.

**Subscription received for Pensioners' Champion in APRIL-MAY 2018**

<b>Rs.100/- Smt./Sri</b>	<b>Rs.120/- Smt./Sri</b>	<b>Rs.240/- Smt./Sri</b>	<b>Rs.360/- Smt./Sri</b>
644 Attavar Yoganand 1698 M.Ramakrishnappa	2149 K.Babu Nairi 2179 K.Devanathan	589 M.V.Nanjunda Rao 608 Suguna Sampath	615 K.R.Seshadri Iyengar 1478 R.S.Venkatesan
<b>Rs.120/- Smt./Sri</b>	2190 R.Muddaiah	1258 Keval Krishen	1574 C.Shivashankara
205 L. Narayana 249 K.Basappa 349 A.Mahabaleshwar Karanth 650 P.N.Sreenivasa Rao 1222 G.T.Sampathkumarachar 1395 M.D.Mahadev 1595 Nalini Prasad(FP) 1733 S.C.Bose 1894 N.Subbaiah 1970 V.Murugan	2212 S.Jayapalan 2292 R.Lalithamma 2387 H.Sitharam Bhat 2439 S.Yamuna 2467 T.V.Ramamurthi 2498 M.S.Shamanna S-241 S.N.Dorennanavar	1350 A.Ramaswamy Pillai 1455 P.S.Krishna Moorthy 1619 M.N.Ramachandra Rao 2080 Y.V.Narasimhan 2104 D.Kariyappa	2357 H.S.Srimathi
		<b>Rs.250/- Smt./Sri</b>	<b>Rs.500/- Smt./Sri</b>
		1576 K.F.Nazareth	793 G.Basappa 1414 H.S.Srinivasa Rao 2500 H.Puttaswamy
	<b>Rs.150/- Smt./Sri</b>	<b>Rs.300/- Smt./Sri</b>	<b>Rs.600/- Smt./Sri</b>
	2479 G.M.Halvadia S-331 S.P.Muthuswamy	1684 S.V.Iyer S-194 M.B. Anavatti	657 S.Sunder Raj 1163 M.P.Ramamohan 1726 H.B.Gundu Rao S-230 B.S.Wama

**BSNL IDA**

From 1-4-2018 : 127.2% (0.3% increase over Jan, 2018 rate of 126.9%)

**Newly Enrolled Members**

<b>Name (Smt./Sri)</b>	<b>Designation &amp; Office in which last worked</b>	<b>Type &amp; No.</b>
1 D.A.S.Murthy	Asst.General Manage (Legal), O/o CGM, Karnataka Circle, Bg.	LM 2627
2 H.R.Bhagyalakshmi	Postal Assistant, BEML Nagar, K.G.F, Kolar HO.	LM 2628
3 V.Jayalakshmi	Postal Assistant, Jayanagar Head Post Office, Bg.	LM 2629
4 H.M.Khatsuria	SG Phone Inspector, SDOP, Bhavnagar, Gujarat	LM 2630

LM: Life Member

ALM: Associate Life Member

**Corrections in April 2018 issue**

**Donation for Building Fund**

- 1 SI.852 U.Manohar Shenoy- LM 1278 - Rs.18000 instead of 14000  
no change in the progressive total of Rs.46,000
- 2 SI.868 V K Kulkarni Membership No.1235 instead of 1659

**Subscription for Pensioners' champion**

- 1 S-330 Name of the Subscriber: B S Wama instead of W K Biradar
- 2 Delete: 1276 M R Sridhar - Rs.600 (published in March issue)

**Co-Ordination Committee of Central Government  
Pensioners' Associations, Karnataka ®, Bengaluru  
Swachh Bharat Mission**

The Swachh Bharat Abhiyan is a massive movement that seeks to create a clean India. CCCGPA will observe Swachh Bharat Abhiyan by actively involving its Affiliate Pensioners' Associations in "Clean India" Campaign. With a view to ensure involvement of general public and students in "Swachhta Jan Andolan", a programme, which includes address by Guests, Distribution of Prizes to students who have won in Essay Competition, Cleaning and Tree Plantation in and around school campus, Procession by students and pensioners around school premises bringing awareness of Swachh Bharat Mission by holding placards, etc. has been arranged in the premises of Swamy Vivekananda Educational Society, Bengaluru, on Tuesday the 5th June 2018, which will coincide with the **WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY**. Pensioners of all affiliated Associations are requested to actively participate in the Campaign.

Venue: **Swamy Vivekananda Educational Society**

Behind PES Degree College 3rd Cross, 2nd Block,  
Banashankari 1st Stage, Bengaluru 560050  
(PES Degree College is on Hanumanthanagar 50 feet road)  
(Time: 10 am to 1.00 pm)

for more details and for confirmation of participation

T.V. Suryaprakash, Joint General Secretary  
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**Coordination Committee of Central Government  
Pensioners' Associations, Karnataka (R)**

No. 212, "Kaveri", 7th 'A' Main, Hampinagar, Bengaluru-560104

**Annual General Body Meeting of CCCGPA  
will be held on Saturday 4th August, 2018  
at Udayabhanu Kalasangha, Bengaluru-560019 @10.30 a.m.**

Notice of the AGB will be published later.

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