

Railways Senior Citizens Welfare Society

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Dated: 21-1-2017

No. RSCWS/ CHD/Memo/2017-2

- 1. Secretary, AR PG & Pensision, Patel Bhawan, Parliament Street, New Delhi -110001
- 2. Secretary Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, North Block, New Delhi 110001

Dear Sir,

Subject: Revision of Pension of Pre 2006 Pensioners – Reg. Benefit of Upgradation of Pay Scales Upgraded / Merged as per recommendations of the 6th CPC.

Reference: i) Resolution of GOI No. 38/37/08-P&PW (A) dated 29-8-08 & OM Dated 1-9-08,

- ii) DOP&PW O.M. F.No. 38/37/08-P&PW (A) dated 3-10-08, 14-10-08 & 11-2-09
- iii) DOP&PW O.M. F.No. 38/37/08-P&PW (A) dated 30-7-2015
- iv) Our Memorandum No. RSCWS/ CHD/Memo/2016-2 Dated 24-2-2016 to Prime Mister of India Reg: Minimum pension for Pre-2006 Pensioners who retired from posts where pay scales have been merged / upgraded (Copy attached)
- v) Our Memorandum No. RSCWS/ CHD/Memo/2016-2 Dated 12-9-2016 (Copy attached)
- vi) Item 7 of ATR of 28th Meeting of SCOVA held on 27-6-2016

In continuation of our Memoranda dated 24-2-2016 and 12-9-2016, we draw your kind attention to the following facts:

- i. DOP&PW has mentioned as under in Col. 4 of the ATR of the 28th Meeting of SCOVA held on 27-6-2016:
- ii. "Department of Expenditure has observed that the upgraded Grade Pay of Rs. 4600 was given subsequently outside the recommendation of the 6th CPC. Since this up-gradation is post 6th CPC decision, it is not applicable to those who are holding the pre-revised scale of Rs. 6500-10,500 and retired before 01.01.2006."
- iii. From the above cited observations of Department of Expenditure, it is apparent that the DOE had objected to the extension of the said benefit to such of the Pensioners who had retired from the posts upgraded outside the recommendations of the 6th Pay Commission.
 - Incidentally, DOE had earlier agreed to give the benefit of subsequent upgrading to old Pensioners in case of S 30 wherein PB 4 + GP 12000 was upgraded to 67000-79000 (HAG). But ironically, similar benefit of subsequent upgrading is now being denied to those who retired from the scale Rs.6500-10500.
- iv. In any case, from the above it is clearly inferred that DOE had no objection to give the said benefit of upgradation to the Pensioners who had retired from the Posts which had been upgraded as per recommendations of the 6th CPC.
- v. We as of now, seek relief to this extent alone, notwithstanding the benefit allowed by the various Courts even to those Pensioners who had retired from posts which were upgraded outside the recommendations of 6th CPC.
- vi. It is, therefore, requested, that the benefit of upgradation / merger of Pay Scales as per recommendation of 6th CPC may please be given for the Revision of Pension of at least those of Pre-2006 Pensioners who had retired from posts upgraded by 6th CPC.

Yours faithfully,

(Harchandan Singh) Secretary General, RSCWS

Copy for information and favourable consideration to:

Mrs. Vandana Sharma, Additional Secretary, Department of Pensions & Pensioners' Welfare, 3rd Floor, Lok Nayak Bhawan, Khan Market, New Delhi – 110003



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- 2. Mrs. Vandana Sharma, Joint Secretary, Department of Pensions & Pensioners' Welfare, 3rd Floor, Lok Nayak Bhawan, Khan Market, New Delhi 110003

Sir / Madam,

Subject: Revision of Pension of Pre 2006 Pensioners – Reg. Benefit of Upgraded / Merged Pay Scales Reference: i) Resolution of GOI No. 38/37/08-P&PW (A) dated 29-8-08 & OM Dated 1-9-08,

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- iv) Our Memorandum No. RSCWS/ CHD/Memo/2016-2 Datd 24-2-2016 to Prime Mister of India and a copy to your office Reg. Reg: minimum pension for Pre-2006 Pensioners who retired from posts where pay scales have been merged / upgraded.

We invite your kind attention to our Memorandum cited above, to the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, to which no reply has been received by us even after more than 6 months after its submission and even though we represent an Identified Association under the Pensioners Portal for redressal of Grievances of the Pensioners.

We, therefore, once again request you to please consider the issue in the light of the submissions made in our Memorandum and the numerous legal pronouncements on the subject and to please give the benefit of upgraded Pay Band and Grade Pay to the Pre-2006 Pensioners of the post from which they retired so that, their minimum revised pension be not lower than 50% of the pay in the revised pay band plus the grade pay corresponding to the post from which the pensioner retired.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

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Shri Narendra Modi, Hon. Prime Minister of India & Minister of Personnel, PG & Pensions, South Block, New Delhi.

Dear Sir.

Subject: Revision of Pension of Pre 2006 Pensioners – Reg: minimum pension for Pre-2006 Pensioners who retired from posts where pay scales have been merged / upgraded

Ref:- i) Resolution of GOI No. 38/37/08-P&PW (A) dated 29-8-08 & OM Dated 1-9-08,

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We seek your benign intervention in the followingS matter of serious injustice with a section of Pre-2006 Central Government Pensioners:

- 1. Sixth Pay Commission recommended for "Modified Parity" between Pre-2006 & post-2006 Pensioners. Its Recommendations were accepted by the Cabinet vide Resolution dated 29-8-08 cited above, which inter-alia provided that "The fixation (of Pension) will be subject to the provision that the revised pension, in no case, shall be lower than 50% of the sum of the minimum of the pay in the pay band and the grade pay thereon corresponding to the pre-revised pay scale from which the pensioner had retired." DOP&PW issued the orders thereon vide OM dated 1-9-08.
- 2. Later on, DOP&PW made changes in the above said orders (vide Para 5 of OM dated 11-2-09 cited above) & inter-alia laid down the condition that "benefit of up-gradation of posts subsequent to their retirement would not be admissible to the pre-2006 pensioners in this regard."
- 3. The above said condition changed the very nature and content of the decision of the Cabinet notified vide Gazette Notification dated 29-8-2008 as the said Resolution did not provide for it.
- 4. DOP&PW's OM dated 11-2-09 has since been quashed by the CAT New Delhi vide OA 655/2010 directed for fixation of Pension as per Resolution dated 29-8-2008.
- 4. All SLPs of the Government in this regard, against the judgements of the CAT and High Courts, had been conclusively been rejected by the Apex Court vide its judgement dated 17-3-15.
- 5. a) DOP&PW vide OM dated 28-1-2013 ordered for Revision of Pension of Pre-20006 Pensioners to 50% of minimum of the Pay in the Pay Band plus Grade Pay of the Corresponding to Pre-revised scale w.e.f. 24-9-2012 whereas the decision of the Cabinet on 24-9-2012.
- b) This order was modified and implemented w.e.f. 1-1-2006 vide DOP&PW OM dated 30-7-15 as per Orders of the Supreme Court on 17-3-2015.
- 6. The order dated 30-7-15 only <u>partially</u> implemented the orders of the Courts and the orders are yet to be issued in respect of revision of Pension as per pay scales of merged/upgraded posts.
- 7. DOP&PW OM No. 38/77-A/09- P&PW(A) Pt. of 5.3.2015 (para 2) says "Hon' CAT/PB in orders dt. 1.11.2011 directed that the <u>past pensioners may be granted w.e.f. 1.1.2006 C</u> to revise pension of pre 2006 Civilian Pensioners with ref. to Fitment Table for the Post, as adopted for pay fixation of serving employees as on 1.1.2006."
- 8. Delhi High Court in W.P.(C) 8012/2013 had held that "policy decision of the Government in the OM dated September 01, 2008 to fix pension for all category of pensioners did not classify post of pre January 01, 2006 retirees and all were entitled to pension as per a common formula"
 - 9. All the above said judgements have been conclusively upheld by the Supreme Court.
- 10. It is, therefore, requested that Pre-2006 Pensioners be given the benefit of upgraded Pay Band and Grade Pay of the post from which they retired so that, minimum pension be not lower than 50% of the pay in the revised pay band plus the grade pay corresponding to the post from which the pensioner retired

Yours faithfully,

Secretary General, RSCWS

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