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Government of India Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pension Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare

> 8th Floor, Janpath Bhavan, Janpath, New Delhi, Dated: 23rd November, 2020

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: - Extension of period for submission of Life Certificate by Central Government pensioners till February 28, 2021.

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Department's O.M. No. 18/1/2020-P&PW(C)-6681 dated 11th September, 2020 regarding the extension of timeline for submission of Life Certificate by Central Government pensioners from 1st November, 2020 onward, till 31st December 2020.

2. This Department has been in receipt of numerous petitions from various Pensioners' Associations as well as individuals requesting a further extension in the date for submitting Life Certificate, in view of the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic and the vulnerability of elderly population to Corona Virus. After consultation with the office of Controller General of Accounts, it has now been decided to further extend the existing timeline for submission of Life Certificate. This year, all Central Government pensioners may submit Life Certificate from 1st November, 2020 onward, till February 28, 2021. During this extended period, the pension will be continued to be paid by the Pension Disbursing Authorities (PDAs) uninterrupted.

3. The above measures are expected to avoid rush at branches, stagger the submission of the LCs by the elderly population while maintaining social distancing, and to that extent, prevent the spread of Corona virus. PDAs shall also ensure proper arrangements and social distancing measures at the branches and prevent overcrowding.

4. All Pension Disbursing Authorities are requested to take note of this OM for compliance and give wide publicity to the same amongst pensioners.

This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

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Under Secretary to the Government of India

To,

- 1. Secretary, Dept of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, North Block, New Delhi.
- 2. CMDs of all Pension Disbursing Banks

- 3. Controller General of Accounts, Mahalekha Niyantrak Bhawan, Ministry of Finance, GPO Complex, Block E, INA Colony, New Delhi.
- 4. Central Pension Accounts Office (CPAO), Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure, Trikoot-II, Bhikaji Cama Place, New Delhi.
- 5. CPPCs, All Pension Disbursing Banks.
- 6. Chairman, Railway Board, Ministry of Railways, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 7. Secretary, Ministry of Defence, South Block, New Delhi.
- 8. Secretary, Department of Ex-Servicemen Welfare, South Block, New Delhi.
- 9. Secretary, Department of Financial Services, Jeevan Deep Building, Sansad Marg, New Delhi.
- 10. Secretary, Department of Telecommunications, Sanchar Bhavan, New Delhi.
- 11. Secretary, Department of Posts, Dak Bhavan, New Delhi
- 12. All Chief Secretaries of States.
- 13. Secretary, Ministry of External Affairs, South Block, New Delhi
- 14. NIC: -for posting on website of this Department.