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FOR FREE CIRCULATION TO MEMBERS RSCWS

RAILWAY BOARD ASKS ZONAL RAILWAYS TO EXPEDITE ISSUE OF REVISED PPOS TO ALL PENSIONERS & TO URGE BANKS TO REVISE PENSION EARLY

Railway Board has issued orders & reminders to all Zonal Railways to expedite issue of Revised PPOs to all Pensioners & to urge the PDA Banks to revise Pension as per Revised PPOs received by them.

RSCWS has urged the GM Northern Railway to expedite implementation of said instructions of the Railway Board at all levels to ensure early issue of Revised PPOs and revision of Pension by the Banks.

PENSIONERS YET TO GET SIXTH CPC PPOS & THE BENEFIT OF MODIFIED PARITY FOR MINIMUM PENSION IN CORRESPONDING REVISED 6TH CPC SCALE

Some Pre-2006 pensioners have not yet got the Revised PPOs as per orders on implementation of Sixth Pay Commission & were not getting actual pension as due as per various amended orders thereon.

A comprehensive note in this regard is published on Page 5. RSCWS advises Pensioners to go through this note & to apply for early issue of their Revised PPO if they have not received the same or if their Pension is less than minimum Pension of Revised Scale. – (See Note & Table on Page 5)

DOP&PW CALLS ON NGOS TO OBSERVE "SWACHHTA HI SEVA" FORTNIGHT

DOP&PW fervent appealed to all NGOs to observe "Swachhta Hi Seva" Fortnight from 15th September to 2nd October, 2018 as per directive of the Government. A number of illustrative proposals were sent to NGOs under the programme from sweeping of streets to developing awareness for need for cleanliness.

RSCWS HELD SEMINARS ON AWARENESS ON CLEANLINESS & PERSONAL HYGIENE

RSCWS held two Seminars on "Awareness of need for Cleanliness & Personal Hygiene" - one for Senior Citizens on 25th September at Old Age Home Setor 15 Chandigarh & another for Primary School in Railway Colony, Chandigarh as a part of the programme "Swachhta Hi Seva" initiated by DOP&PW. Doctors from Shalby Hospital, Mohali & IVY Hospital, Mohali gave inspiring talks in the two Seminars.

RSCWS DONATES RS.20,000 TO KERALA CM DISASTER RELIEF FUND, MEDICINES & FUNDS FOR DESTITUTE OLD AGE HOMES

RSCWS donated Rs.20,000 to Kerala CM Disaster Relief Fund to help the victims of devastating floods in Kerala. Principal Secretary (Finance) Kerala acknowledged the gesture with thanks.

RSCWS donated Rs.15,000 to destitute Old Age Home Ratwara Sahib & medicines to Old Age Home, Sector 15, Chandigarh. A Free Medical Check-up of all Members was done during the GBM of RSCWS held at Fortis Hospital, Mohali on 31st July 2018,. Three stalwarts working for the Destitute Senior Citizens & needy villagers were honoured – including Col. Rajinder Singh (Retd) Chairman Old Age Hone & Akal Trust Ratwara Sahib, S. Balbir Singh Chairman & S. Satnam Singh General Secretary SAS Free Poly Clinic, Parachh with S. Mohinder Singh JS RSCWS (who donated a hearing aid to a destitute 80 years old lady).

**NOTICE & INVITE: MEMBERS OF RSCWS & THEIR SPOUSES ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND
GENERAL BODY MEETING OF RSCWS &**

**MEDICAL SEMINAR ON OSTEOPOROSIS – (WEAKENING OF BONES) & JOINT PAINS
ON 9TH OCT, 2018, FROM 3.30 TO 5-30 PM AT GOVT. MUSEUM AUDITORIUM, SEC 10, CHANDIGARH
PLEASE REACH IN TIME & JOIN US FOR TEA AFTER THE MEETING**

President & Secretary General, RSCWS

THE KNEE REPLACEMENT UNIT AT FORTIS HOSPITAL MOHALI ACHIEVES A HISTORIC LANDMARK

Fortis Healthcare congratulates **Dr Harsimran Singh** on completing **15,000** joint replacement surgeries at Fortis Hospital Mohali.



Dr Harsimran Singh

Director – Joint Replacement



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replacement surgeries
in South-east Asia

Fortis Hospital Mohali is empaneled by Northern Railway, DMW & RCF Kapurthala for the Cashless Treatment of railway beneficiaries in emergency and on reference by referring authority.

In non-referral cases, Members of RSCWS (Railway Senior Citizens Welfare Society) shall be treated and charged on CGHS rates for all Specialties in IPD, OPD & Diagnostics for the various specialties against cash / Credit Card / Debit Card / DD facilities, on production of Membership Card or Letter of Authority of RSCWS.

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RAILWAYS URGED TO IMPROVE HEALTH CARE FACILITIES & PROVIDE FULL TIME REGULAR DOCTOR AT CHANDIGARH HEALTH UNIT

Copy of Memorandum dated 1-8-2018 submitted to Shri Visvesh Chaubey, GM, NR at Chandigarh

Subject: Critical Health Care Problems for Railways Pensioners, Employees & their dependents residing in Tricity of Chandigarh, Panchkula & Mohali.

Reference: MOH&FW DOH&FW OM No.Z15025/105/2017/DIR/CGHS/EHS Dated 9-11-2017

- Regarding Simplification of procedure for treatment in empanelled Private hospitals without referral from the CGHS authorities (*Copy attached*)

We welcome you at Chandigarh and take this opportunity to place before you the following serious Health Care Problems faced by nearly 7000 Railway Beneficiaries (including RELHS Optee Railway Pensioners, serving Employees and their Dependents) residing in the Tricity of Chandigarh, Panchkula & Mohali and the surrounding areas.

1. Provision of Regular Doctor in Health Unit Chandigarh: No Doctor is being provided for months together on a regular basis in the Health Unit at Chandigarh, causing much hardship to the large number of Railway Beneficiaries especially the old age and ailing Pensioners. Only intermittently one doctor is deputed to Health Unit Chandigarh; that too once a week or a fortnight and for maximum two hours only.

Actually two regular Doctors are required to be posted at the Health Unit Chandigarh as per yardstick and as per sanctioned number of posts for the said Health Unit.

Till such time regular doctors can be posted due to shortage of Doctors, at least one Doctor on Contract basis, as was done once earlier, be posted for 6 days a week in the Health Unit Chandigarh, to mitigate the hardship of those concerned.

2. a) Waiving off of the condition of approval by CMS with presentation of the patient or his relative, before him at Ambala for Referral (by CMS Ambala) for treatment in Empanelled Hospitals, especially in case of advice by a Doctor of Government Hospital for specialized treatment of Railway Beneficiaries – as has been done in case of CGHS Beneficiaries vide MOH&FW letter cited above.

OR b) Delegation of Powers to Doctor of Health Unit Chandigarh to refer Cases, in consultation with CMS on phone, if so felt desirable, to empanelled Hospitals when required.

3. a) Simplification of procedure for expeditious Local Purchase of Medicines

b) Delegation of Powers to Doctor of Health Unit Chandigarh for Local Purchase of Medicines where required and as prescribed by Doctor of Government or Empanelled Hospital.

7TH CPC RETIREMENT BENEFIT AND FIXATION ADMISSIBLE TO PETITIONER RETIRED ON 31.12.2015 AS HE WAS BORN ON 1.1.1956: CAT DELHI

In an important Judgement, CAT Principal Bench, New Delhi, in OA No.571/2017 in G.C. Yadav, S/o late Kamal Singh Yadav, (aged about 61 years) (retired as Deputy Secretary) in its Order pronounced on 17.04.2018 has held as under:

“12. In the instant case, the applicant’s date of birth is admittedly 1.1.1956 and thus relying on the ratio of law laid down by the Hon’ble Apex Court in S. Banerjee (supra), he is deemed to have retired from service on 1.1.2016. Hence, he is entitled for getting all his pensionary benefits in accordance with the 7th Central Pay Commission’s recommendations. Accordingly, this OA is allowed. The impugned Annexure A-1 order is declared illegal and accordingly quashed and set aside. The respondents are directed to fix the retiral benefits of the applicant in accordance with the 7th Central Pay Commission’s recommendations which have been implemented vide O.M. No. 38/37/2016-P&PW(A)(i), (ii) & resolution dated 04.08.2016 in respect of pensioners retiring on or after 1.1.2016. This shall be done within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order. No costs.”

RSCWS ORGANISES FREE MEDICAL CHECK UP CAMP FOR DESTITUTE SENIOR CITIZENS

RSCWS arranged a Free Medical Checkup Camp for Destitute Senior Citizens at the Old age Home, Sector 15, Chandigarh, on 11th August, 2018, in collaboration with the SAS Free Poly Clinic, Parachh. Lunch was served to all participants and stalwarts of social service like Genl. M. S. Kandal were honoured.

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IN FAVOUR OF “RAILWAY SENIOR CITIZENS WELFARE SOCIETY” – AT HIS FOLLOWING ADDRESS:

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(PH.09876092040)

RSCWS URGES FOR EARLY ISSUE OF REVISED PPOS TO ALL PRE-2016 PENSIONERS

COPY OF MEMORANDUM NO. RSCWS/ CHQ/CHD/ PPOS / 2018-15 DATED: 5-9-2018 TO GM, NORTHERN RAILWAY

Dear Sir,

Sub: Revision of Pension of Pre & Post - 2016 Pensioner as per 7th CPC –

- Regarding inordinate delay in issue of PPOs & related issues

Ref: 1. Railway Board's letter No.2016/F(E)III/1(1)/7 dated 11.07/2017 (RBE No.66/2017)

2. Railway Board's letters dated 9.6.2017, 19.7.2017 & 25.07.2017, 98/2017 & 103/2017

3. FC & MS Rly. Board's letter No.2016/AC-II/21/8/PT-III dated 05.09.2017 & 11-10-2017

4. Railway Board's letter to all PFAs RBA Nos. 170/2017 & 55/2018 dated 30-5-2018

5. Zone & Unit-wise Report of Revised PPOs of Pre-2016 Pensioners as per ARPAN (*Copy attached*)

1. We draw your kind attention to the increasing level of frustration & financial hardship being faced by thousands of Pre-2016 Pensioners due to non-revision of their Pensions because of non-issue of their Revised PPOs as per accepted recommendations of 7th CPC Report. More than one year has passed since the issue of orders by Railway Board and its repeated reminders thereon - as cited above.

2. The position of the Northern Railway as a whole, in this regard - as reflected on ARPAN (Zone & Unit-wise Report of Revised PPOs of Pre-2016 Pensioners on 01-09-2018 as per ARPAN) - is dismal or rather the worst on the Indian Railways.

3. Even the parallel exercise as advised by FC/ Railway Board, vide letter dated 5-9-2017 and that of the MS Railway Board dated 11-10-2017 cited above - regarding '*suo moto*' (manual) preparation & issuing of Revised PPOs – as per conventional method – has also not picked up on most; and needs to be geared up very effectively.

4. It may be mentioned that as per our information:

- i) Thousands of Revised PPOs are yet to be initiated or still lying with the Personnel Branches or with the Divisional Accounts offices in each of the Divisions and Workshops for dispatch to local Accounts for vetting & onward submission to FA&CAO.
- ii) Thousands of Revised PPOs are lying with the FA&CAO Office for months together for signing and return to the originating Units.
- iii) Thousands of Revised PPOs are lying all ready for long with local Accounts offices for dispatch to the PDA Banks and with the Personnel Branches in the Divisions and Workshops for dispatch to the Pensioners concerned.
- iv) Worst is the condition with the Pension Disbursing (PDA) Banks where thousands of Revised PPOs are lying for long in all CPPC (*Central Pension Processing Centers*) without revising the Pension or paying the arrears to the suffering Pensioners while DOPPW (vide its letter has advised all Departments to pursue the Banks for it.

5. a) You are requested to please issue necessary orders to all concerned to initiate appropriate action in order to streamline the entire process with effective monitoring at all levels so as to help the thousands of Pensioners of Northern Railway in getting their Revised PPOs issued early and for revision of their Pension from 1-1-2016 as per orders of Railway Board regarding implementation of 7th CPC.

b) PDA Banks may please be urged to expedite revision of Pension as per Revised PPOs already sent to them as advised by the Railway Board to all PFAs vide its orders dated 30-5-2018 cited above.

With regards,

RSCWS PROPOSES TO ASK FOR POSITION OF REVISED PPOS OF ITS MEMBERS UNDER RTI ACT & WE REQUEST YOU TO UPDATE US ABOUT YOUR PPO

MEMBERS WHO HAVE NOT YET RECEIVED THEIR REVISED PPOS AS PER ORDERS ON SIXTH OR SEVENTH PAY COMMISSIONS, ARE ADVISED TO FILL UP THE APPLICATION FORMS FOR THE SAME AS GIVEN ON PAGE 6 & 7 OF THIS ISSUE RESPECTIVELY AND TO SEND THE SAME TO THE HEAD OF OFFICE FROM WHERE THEY RETIRED & WHICH ISSUED THE LAST PPO TO THEM

ALSO PLEASE GIVE THE FEEDBACK TO US ABOUT THE RESPONSE & REPLY RECEIVED BY YOU TO THE ABOVE SAID APPLICATIONS & SEND IT TO US ALONG WITH A COPY OF YOUR SAID APPLICATION FOR PPO FOR FURTHER FOLLOW UP ACTION THEREON, IF REQUIRED.

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**ADVISE TO PRE-2006 PENSIONERS –
CHECK IF YOU ARE GETTING MINIMUM REVISED PENSION FROM 1-1-2006 &
DO APPLY FOR REVISED PPO IF NOT YET RECEIVED**

Some cases have come to notice where pre-2006 pensioners are not getting revised minimum pension from 1-1-2006. In the first instance minimum basic pension was revised from 24-9-2012 in accordance with DOP OM No.38/37/08-P&PW (A) dated 28.1.2013 and the same was made applicable from 1-1-2006 later vide subsequent orders dated 30-7-2015 in compliance with Hon'ble Supreme court judgement. Minimum basic pension/family pension for each of the scales effective from 1-1-2006 is shown in cols 4 & 5 of the table below.

The minimum gross pension/family pension effective from 1-1-2016 (prior to revision of pension as per 7th CPC) based on DR of 125% admissible from 1-1-2016 is given in cols 6 and 7. This will help the pensioners in checking that pension actually credited in pass books should not be less than this amount. Gross pension can be more than this where the pension based on factor of 2.26 is more than the minimum.

Minimum Gross Revised Pension/Family Pension of Pre-2006 Pensioners w.e.f. 1-1-2006 as per DOP OM F.No.38/37/08-P&PW(A) dated 28-1-2013 & 30-7-2015						
Existing Pay Scales as per 5th PC	Revised Pay Band	Revised Pay Structure	Minimum Basic Pension from 1-1-2006	Minimum Family Pension from 1-1-2006	Minimum gross Pension with 125% DR from 1-1-2016	Min. gross Family Pension with 125% DR from 1-1-2016
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
S-4 (2750-4400)	PB-1	5200-20200+1800	3665	3500	8246.25	7875
S-5 (3050-4590)	PB-1	5200-20200+1900	3890	3500	8752.5	7875
S-6 (3200-4900)	PB-1	5200-20200+2000	4030	3500	9067.5	7875
S-7(4000-6000)	PB-1	5200-20200+2400	4920	3500	11070	7875
S-8 (4500-7000)	PB-1	5200-20200+2800	5585	3500	11070	7875
S-9 (5000-8000)	PB-2	9300-34800+4200	6750	4050	15187	9112
S-10 (5500-9000)	PB-2	9300-34800+4200	7215	4329	16233	9740
S-11(6500-6900)	PB-2	9300-34800+4200	8145	4887	18326	10995
S12 (6500-10500)	PB-2	9300-34800+4200	8145	4887	18326	10995
S-13 (7450-11500)	PB-2	9300-34800+4600	9230	5538	20767	12460
S-14 (7500-12000)	PB-2	9300-34800+4800	9375	5625	21093	12656
S-15 (8000-13500)	PB-2	9300-34800+5400	10140	6084	22815	13689
New scale (Gr A entry) (8000-13500)	PB-3	15600-39100+5400	10500	6300	23625	14175
S-16,(9000)	PB-3	15600-39100+5400	11070	6642	24908	14945
S-17(9000-9550)	PB-3	15600-39100+5400	11070	6642	24908	14945
S-18 (10325-10975)	PB-3	15600-39100+6600	12905	7743	29036	17422
S-19 (10000-15200)	PB-3	15600-39100+6600	12600	7560	28350	17010
S-20 (10650-15850)	PB-3	15600-39100+6600	13205	7923	29711	17827
S-21(12000-16500)	PB-3	15600-39100+7600	14960	8976	33660	20196
S-22 (12750-16500)	PB-3	15600-39100+7600	15660	9396	35235	21141
S-23(12000-18000)	PB-3	15600-39100+7600	14960	8976	33660	20196
S-24 (14300-18300)	PB-4	37400-67000+8700	23050	13830	51863	31118
S-25 (15100-18300)	PB-4	37400-67000+8700	24195	14517	54439	32663
S-26 (16400-20000)	PB-4	37400-67000+8900	24295	14577	54664	32798
S-27(16400-20900)	PB-4	37400-67000+8900	24295	14577	54664	32798
S-28 (14300-22400)	PB-4	37400-67000+10000	23700	14220	53325	31995
S-29 (18400-22400)	PB-4	37400-67000+10000	27350	16410	61538	36923

Compiled by: Sh. N. P. Mohan CE WR (Retd) & Chairman RSCWS

>PRE-2006 PENSIONERS WHO HAVE NOT YET RECEIVED THE REVISED/RE-REVISED PPO WITH MINIMUM PENSION OF CORRESPONDING SCALE CITED IN THE ABOVE TABLE AS PER ORDERS REG 6TH CPC ARE ADVISED TO APPLY FOR REVISED/RE-REVISED PPO ON THE FORM OF APPLICATION ON PAGE 6
> PRE-2016 PENSIONERS WHO HAVE NOT RECEIVED REVISED PPO AS PER ORDERS ON 7TH CPC ARE ADVISED TO ASK FOR REVISED PPO UNDER RTI AS PER PROFORMA OF APPLICATION ON PAGE 7.
PLEASE ATTACH THE DOCUMENTS WITH EACH OF THESE APPLICATIONS AS INDICATED THEREIN

APPLICATION FORM FOR REVISED PPOS AS PER ORDERS ON IMPLEMENTATION OF 6TH CPC

TO BE SUBMITTED BY PRE-2006 PENSIONERS WHO HAVE NOT YET RECEIVED THE REVISED PPO WITH MINIMUM PENSION OF CORRESPONDING REVISED SCALE AS PER ORDERS OF RAILWAY BOARDS DATED 31-7-2015

To: The Head of Office,

(Office from which the Pensioner Retired)

Sub: Revision of Pension Pay Order (PPO) for pre-2006 Pensioners / Family Pensioners
– Request for issue of Revised/Re-Revised PPO – in accordance with orders cited below.

Ref: i) DOP&PW OM No.38/37/08- P&PW(A) dated 1.9.2008,
ii) Railway Board's OM No. F(E)III/2008/PN1/12 dated 08.09.2008 &
iii) DOP&PW OM F.No.38/37/08-P&PW(A) 30-7-2015
iv) RAILWAY BOARD's OM No. F(E)III/2008/PN1/12 Dated: 31 .07.2015.

Dear Sir,

Please issue the Revised / Re-Revised PPO as per orders on implementation of Sixth Pay Commission as cited at Sl. No iii) & iv) above since I & the Bank have not yet received the same.

1. Name of the Pensioner
2. Date of Birth of the Pensioner
3. Date of Retirement
4. Date of Death of the Pensioner
(If application is by family pensioner)
5. Scale of pay at the time of retirement/death
6. PPO Number
7. Present Address (with Pin Code)
8. Phone Number & E-mail ID of Pensioner/Family Pensioner
9. Name of the Bank & Branch
10. Postal Address of Branch (with Pin Code)
11. Account Number
12. Details of Office
(where the employee/pensioner last served)
13. Details of spouse who is co-authorised in PPO & any other family pensioner
(A copy of PPO as a proof of Date of Birth must be enclosed. Otherwise please see Note below)
- (a) Name of spouse/family pensioner
- (b) Date of Birth (proof to be enclosed)
- (c) Name of document enclosed as proof
14. Name and Date of Birth of other Family Pensioners, not provided already
- (and if the pensioner/spouse wants to provide it to the HOO/HOD) may also be added below)

Date:

Place:

(Signature of
Pensioner/family pensioner)

Note: > In case copy of old PPO is not available or if date of birth of the spouse or any other family pensioner is not given in the PPO, attested photocopy of any one of the following documents in support of date of birth of the spouse/eligible family pensioner may be submitted:

a) PAN Card, b) Matriculation Certificate (containing the information regarding Date of Birth); c) Passport; d) RELHS Card; e) Driving License (if it contains Date of Birth) f) Voter's ID Card/Aadhaar Number may also be accepted as proof of Date of Birth g) An Affidavit subject to condition that the pensioner/family pensioner certifies that he/she is not a matriculate and he/she does not have any of the documents mentioned from (a) to (e) above.

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APPLICATION FOR REVISED PPO AS PER 7TH PAY COMMISSION
- SEEKING INFORMATION UNDER RTI ACT - 2005

Public Information Officer (RTI),
 _____,

(Office from which Pensioner Retired)

Name of Applicant:

Postal Address of Applicant:

Contact Phone No.

Email ID (if any):

Sub : Information under RTI Act, 2005.

Reg: Issue of Revised PPO & Revision of Pension as per 6th / 7th CPC

Ref: (Last) PPO No. _____ Date _____

Sir,

1. I, _____, presently residing at _____
 (address), hereby request for following information under RTI Act 2005.

a) Copy of Revised PPO (Pension Payment Order) issued as per Seventh Pay Commission, in favour of _____ (Name of Pensioner / Family Pensioner).

Details of Pensioner:

- i) Name: _____
 ii) Designation _____
 iii) Office from which Retired _____
 iv) Old PPO No. _____
 v) Date of Retirement _____.

b) Has the said Revised (7th CPC) PPO been sent to PDA BANK for revision of Pension?

c) If so, when was it sent to the PDA (Pension Distribution Authority) / Bank.

2. **Certified that:** a) To the best of my knowledge & belief, information asked for pertains to your office.

In case the subject matter / any part of the information is held by / related to another public authority, you are requested to transfer the application or such part of it as may be appropriate to that other public authority with an intimation to the undersigned (as per Section 6(3) of RTI Act.

b) I do not belong to the OBC. As such the certificate of OBC is not required.

c) A Postal order for Rs.10 is enclosed herewith, as required.

d) Further charges for supply of relevant information/documents asked for, shall be paid by me on receipt of advice for the same.

(Signature of Applicant)

Dated: _____

Encl: Two 1. Postal order for Rs.10 No. _____

dated _____

2. Copy of the Old PPO

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CAT ERNAKULAM ALLOWS BENEFIT OF UPGRADING OF POSTS FOR REVISION OF PENSION AFTER SIXTH CPC IN ONE MORE CASE OF PRE-2006 PENSIONER

CAT Ernakulam has allows benefit of upgrading of posts for Revision of Pension after Sixth CPC in one more case of Pre-2006 Pensioner K.C.Bhaskaran aged 88 years Head Postmaster (HSG I) (Retd.) –Vs – Union of India in No.180/00693/2017 Monday, this the 10th day of September, 2018. Intensively citing the various cases decided by various Courts in similar or identical cases, cat Ernakulam has hel as under:

“14. As per O.M dated 1.9.2008 the benefit of pay fixation in terms of para4.2 shall be permissible by revising the pension of pre- 1.1.2006 pensioners. Para 4.2 being the policy decision of the Government of India, the same has to be the guiding principle for determining the 6th CPC revised pension for pre-1.1.2006 pensioners. The applicant who has been retired in the year of 1987 in the pay scale of Rs.6,500-10,500/- was also entitled for 50% of the minimum of the pay in the pay band plus grade pay.

“15. Therefore, this Tribunal is of the view that applicant is entitled to revised pension in terms of paragraph 4.2 of OM dated 1.9.2008 or 50% of the minimum pay in the pay band of Rs. 9,300-34,800/- with Grade Pay of Rs. 4,600/- or as per Annexure A2 fitment table, whichever is beneficial to the applicant.”

**NO PROPOSAL UNDER CONSIDERATION OF GOVT TO INCREASE SEVENTH
CPC MINIMUM PAY OR FITMENT FACTOR: MOS FINANCE IN PARLIAMENT**

There is no proposal under consideration of the Government to increase the Minimum pay or Fitment Factor of 2.57. This reply was given recently in the Parliament by the Minister of state for Finance. Text of the statement reads as under:

The minimum pay of Rs.18,000/- p.m. and fitment factor of 2.57 are based on the specific recommendations of the 7th Central Pay Commission in the light of the relevant factors taken into account by it. Therefore, no change therein is at present under consideration.

**NO ALTERNATIVE TO PAY COMMISSION UNDER CONSIDERATION FOR REVISION
OF SALARIES & ALLOWANCES OF CENTRAL GOVT EMPLOYEES AND PENSIONERS**

Minister of State for Finance Shri P. Radhakrishnan said as reply in the Parliament to the questions Whether the Government is considering an alternative for increasing the salaries and allowances of Central Government employees and pensioners in future instead of forming Pay Commission?

(a) whether the reports of successive Pay Commissions have been increasing the burden on Government finances/exchequer in partially accepting their recommendations for increase in wages and if so, the details thereof? on 27th July 2018 as follows...

The financial impact of the recommendations of the Central Pay Commission, as accepted by the Government, is normally pronounced in the initial year and gradually it tapers off as the growth in the economy picks up and fiscal space is widened. While implementing the recommendations of the last Central Pay Commission, i.e., the Seventh Central Pay Commission, the Government staggered its implementation in two financial years. While the recommendations on pay and pension were implemented with effect from 01.01.2016, the recommendations in respect of allowances after an examination by a Committee have been implemented with effect from 01.07.2017. This has moderated the financial impact of the recommendations. Moreover, unlike the previous 6th Pay Commission, which entailed substantial impact on account of arrears, the impact in the year 2016-17 on account of element of arrears of revised pay and pension on the present occasion of the 7th Central Pay Commission pertained to only 2 months of the previous financial year of 2015-16.

(b) whether the last Pay Commission has suggested productivity linked pay hike to the deserving employees to eliminate below average or mediocre performance and if so, the details thereof?

The Seventh Central Pay Commission in Para 5.1.46 of its Report proposed withholding of annual increment in the case of those employees who are not able to meet the benchmark either for Modified Assured Career Progression (MACP) or regular promotion within the first 20 years of their service.

(c) whether such periodic hikes in wages resulting from Pay Commission recommendations trigger similar demands from the State Government/public utility employees, imposing burden on already strained State finances and if so, the details thereof?

The service conditions of employees of State Governments fall within the exclusive domain of the respective State Governments who are federally independent of the Central Government. Therefore, the concerned State Governments have to independently take a view in the matter.

(d) whether the Government is considering an alternative for increasing the salaries and allowances of Central Government employees and pensioners in future instead of forming Pay Commission and if so, the details thereof?

No such proposal is under consideration of the Government.

BANKS SHOULD BE ADVISED TO EXPEDITE PAYMENT OF REVISED PENSION : RB TO RLYS.

COPY OF RAILWAY BOARD'S LETTER NO. 2016/AC-II/21/8/PT.VI DATED 30-5-2018 RBA NO. 55/2018

TO Principal Financial Advisors, All Zonal Railways

Sub: Payment of revised pension including arrears w.e.f. 1.1.2016 to the pensioners.

Kindly refer to RBA No.170/2017 dated 30.11.2017 on the above subject requesting Railways to verify the scrolls received from various Pension Paying Banks to establish that payment of revised pension has commenced in favour of all pensioners for whom revised PPOs have been issued. It is understood that despite lapse of nearly 6 months, revised pension is not being received by many pensioners and the issue is being raised in various Pensioners' Forums including SCOVA.

Follow up on payment of revised pension by the banks is necessary to take the benefits to the pensioners in a timely manner. Special drive may be launched in the EDP centres to reconcile the debit scrolls with revised PPOs to ascertain the number of cases where payment of revised pension has not yet been initiated by the banks despite issue of revised PPOs. The matter may be taken up with defaulting Banks and a report sent at jda@rb.railent.gov.in by 30-6-2018 for Board's information.

(Proforma for sending position of Revision of Pension cases by Banks - Not reproduced here)

SCHEME TO CALL MEDICAL CONSULTANTS TO RAILWAY HOSPITALS FOR PROVIDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES ON CASE TO CASE BASIS - PAYMENT FOR SURGICAL PROCEDURE

Copy of Railway Board Letter No.2018/Trans.Cell/Health/Professional Services dated 10.09.2018

The Scheme to Call Medical Consultants to Railway Hospitals for providing professional services on case to case basis - Payment for Surgical Procedure

Ref: (1) Railway Board letter no.2005/H-1/12/34. Pt. dated 05.05.2006

With reference to above and Board's letter under reference, Board (MS, FC & CRB) have approved the following:

1. The rate of payment of surgical procedure package for calling Medical Consultant to Railway Hospital on case to case basis as per the type of the surgical procedure required in a particular Railway Hospital will be decided by the PCMO of the Zonal Railway or the CMO of Metro Railway/PUs/RDSO in consultation with associate finance depending upon the local rate of the City/Town & the Doctor. While fixing such rates, the adjoining Railway Zone/Unit in the same City shall be consulted.

The Surgical Procedure Package Rate shall contain:

- Pre-Operation one check up
 - The Surgical Operation
 - Post operative follow up for 3 days (Excluding the day of operation)
2. All other terms & conditions of the Scheme to Call Medical Consultants to Railway Hospitals for providing professional services on case to case basis shall remain unchanged and as modified from time to time.

PENSIONERS MAY REGISTER THEIR GRIEVANCE AT THE WEBSITE OF CPAO - REGARDING NON-RECEIPT OF REVISED PPO, NON-REVISION OR LESS PAYMENT OF THEIR PENSION ETC. UNDER REGISTER GRIEVANCE: CPAO

Copy of Central Pension Accounts Office. MOF. No. CPAO/IT&Tech/Single Window

Service/54/2018-19/71 Dated 26-7-2018

Subject: Facilities for Pensioners through 'Web Responsive Pensioners Service' (WRPS) of CPAO

Quick disposal of grievances of pensioners has been a top priority of CPAO. For this purpose, a Grievance Cell is already functioning in CPAO and grievances received through different modes are settled by it. So far, grievances not pertaining to CPAO directly but involving other agencies are being forwarded for final disposal to the concerned agencies i.e. Bank and PAO for necessary action.

In order to provide better services CPAO developed Grievance Redressal and Monitoring System i.e. 'Web Responsive Pensioners Service' (WRPS): a facility of online transfer of grievances lodged by Pensioners on the CPAO website for early disposal and update thereon. Pensioners have the following facilities through WRPS on CPAO's website:-

1. View and Download the Special Seal Authorities issued by CPAO in both fresh as well as revision pension cases.
2. Check the pension processing status
3. Check last 12 months pension payment information
4. Register grievances and check the status etc.

To facilitate pensioners, a step-by-step user guide with * screenshots is attached for ready reference. The same may be given wide publicity for the benefit of the existing pensioners as well as future retirees.

In case of any technical difficulty in using this facility NIC Cell may be contacted at e-mail ID it.support@gov.in and for any other query related to pension, Grievance Cell may be contacted on Phone No. 011-2671511 and at e-mail ID cccpao@nic.in.

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

(* NOTE: For copy of original letter of CPAO & Guidelines cited therein, please visit our Website of RSCWS [www.rscws.com](http://rscws.com) at <http://rscws.com/pdfdocs/Grievance-redressal-for-Pensioners-by-CPAO-Web-Responsive-Pensioners-Service-Facilities.pdf>)

PROPOSAL TO WAIVE ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTION FOR JOINING CTSE SCHEME IS UNDER PROCESS

Directorate of Health Rly Board vide letter No 2013/H/28/1/RELHS/Smart card dated 11.09.18 and MORLY/R/2018/53131 dated 12.9.2018 & as per file noting provided: Proposal to waive additional contribution for joining CTSE Scheme is under process & is pending for approval of competent authority. Other suggestions by BPS have been noted and will be taken into consideration. In the file noting with reference to BPS representation it is recorded that initially the pilot project is for 4 metros but it will be for all RELHS beneficiaries opting for scheme across the country. _ Update from Sh. S. c Maheshwari, SG BPS

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TREATMENT OF RAILWAY MEDICAL BENEFICIARIES AT TATA MEMORIAL CENTRE - SIMPLIFIED PROCESS

Copy of RAILWAY BOARD's letter No. 2014/H/15//AIRF dated 27.04.2018 to all GMs

Sub: Treatment of Railway medical beneficiaries at Tata Memorial Centre Mumbai – Reg.

M/s Tata Memorial Centre Mumbai has been accorded permanent recognition for cancer treatment of Railway medical beneficiaries. Such beneficiaries are referred to Tata Memorial Centre through Central/Western Railways. In many cases, it is noted that when cancer patients from zones other than Central and Western Railways are referred to Tata Memorial Centre Mumbai, they have to go back to parent zones for getting approval of expenses if the amount of advance to be sanctioned for treatment exceeds certain limit. Such situations put unnecessary hardship to Railway medical beneficiaries who have to run from Mumbai to their parent zones located at far-off places for getting necessary approvals. In view of this, the issue of providing a permanent relief in such situations has been under consideration of Railway Board for some time.

After careful consideration in the matter, it has now been decided that the proposals for sanction of advance in favour of Tata Memorial Centre Mumbai in cases of Railway medical beneficiaries from all zones who have initially been referred to TMH/Mumbai by Central/Western Railway and have been recommended Bone Marrow Transplant (MBT) by TMH/Mumbai, will be processed and advance sanctioned with the approval of Competent Authorities of Central/Western Railways through whom the patient has been referred to the hospital. After sanction, Central/Western Railway will raise debit to the concerned zone which that zone would be bound to accept. The sanction of advance amount will be limited to the financial limit contained in PGI/Chandigarh letter dated 28.10.2016 (copy enclosed) or subsequent instruction on the subject of BMT issued by CGHS. Also, before sanction of medical advance, an undertaking may be obtained from railway medical beneficiary to the effect that charges incurred on treatment beyond the prescribed financial limit for BMT procedure will be borne by him/her and no reimbursement claim to the effect will be preferred.

SIMPLIFICATION OF PROCESS FOR TREATMENT OF RAILWAY MEDICAL BENEFICIARY TO OTHER RAILWAY HOSPITAL WITH OR WITHOUT REFERRAL

Copy of Railway Board's letter No.2018/Trans.Cell/Health/Medical Issues dated: 30.08.2018 to all Railways
Sub: Debit and Credit note for treatment of of patient (Railway Medical Beneficiary) to other Railway Hospital with or without referral – Simplification of Process.

It has been reported that the treatment of patient (Railway Medical Beneficiary) has been delayed because of the demand of debit note by Railway hospital where patient has been referred or reported, from the Railway/Unit/Hospital to which the patient belongs. In order to facilitate easy treatment of Railway Medical Beneficiaries, Board (MS, FC & CRB) have approved the following:

1. Referral Case: A Railway Hospital referring the patient (Railway Medical Beneficiaries) to other Zonal Hospital will include a note in its referral form/letter that it will accept debit raised on the treatment of the patient at Railway Hospital and/or further onward referral of the patient to empanelled hospitals and/or to non empanelled hospitals by making advance payment. All the necessary sanctions, if required, will be taken at the referred Railway itself.
2. Reported without Referral: In case patient (Railway Medical Beneficiary) has reported to the hospital of other Railway/unit without referral – treatment will be provided by the hospital – in house and/or referral to empanelled hospital and/or empanelled hospital as advance payment case, as the need be after ascertaining the valid identity of patient (Railway Medical Beneficiary) through Medical ID Card/ ID Card/ Pass/ PTO etc. All the necessary sanctions, if required, will be taken at reported Railway itself. Meanwhile the reported Railway/Unit/Hospital will inform the concerned Railway/Hospital/Unit to which the patient originally belongs.
3. The patient (Railway Medical beneficiary) will be given the treatment as per the medical condition by the referred or reported Hospital and after treatment is over, then the debit will be raised on the concerned Zonal Railway/Unit/Hospital to which the patient originally belongs.

This issues with the concurrence of Associate Finance of Transformation Cell of Railway Board.

RATE OF DEARNESS ALLOWANCE APPLICABLE TO EMPLOYEES & PENSIONERS OF CENTRAL GOVERNMENT RAISED FROM 7% TO 9% W.E.F. 01.07.2018

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In non-referral cases, members of RSCWS (Railway Senior Citizens Welfare Society) shall be treated and charged on CGHS rates for all specialties in IPD, OPD & Diagnostics for the various specialties against cash/credit card/Debit Card/DD facilities, on production of Membership Card or letter of Authority of RSCWS.

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