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**25 YEARS OF
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Feasibility of Implementation of 7th CPC Option 1 for Revision of Pension

COMMITTEE SUGGESTS AN ALTERNATIVE TO FIX REVISED PENSION AT 50% OF NOTIONAL PAY OF PENSIONERS AFTER EACH CPC AS FOR SERVING EMPLOYEES – JCM SEEKS IT AS A THIRD OPTION

After series of meetings of the Committee on Feasibility of implementation of Option 1 for revision of Pension of Pre-2016 Pensioners, some broad consensus seems to be emerging in the meetings held with JCM Staff Side on October 6 and 17 on the 3rd option to tide over the difficulty in finding old record of increments which is required to implement option 1 as recommended by 7th CPC. The Committee has suggested an alternative method of arriving at notional pay in Seventh CPC by applying formula for pay revision for serving employees in each Pay Commission and giving 50% of this as pension. JCM Staff Side reacted favourably to the proposal but insisted that it should be given as a third option in addition to the 2 Options given by 7th CPC, to avoid loss to Pensioners who were benefitted by the other two options.

(FOR DETAILS SEE PAGE 3 AND PAGE 4 & 5 FOR ILLUSTRATIVE TABLES OF REVISED PENSION AS PER 3 OPTIONS)

NO MEETING POINT ON MULTIPLE FACTOR, MINIMUM PAY OR ON ALLOWANCES

As of now none of the Committees formed to review the Minimum Pay, Multiple Factor or Allowances seem to have arrived at a decision on any point referred to them, even after several rounds of discussions.

2% DR TO CENTRAL GOVT PENSIONERS AND FAMILY PENSIONERS FROM JULY 2016

Pre 2016 Pensioners and 7th CPC Pay optees will get 2% DA from July 1, 2016. 7% Dearness Allowance will be applicable w.e.f. 1.7.2016 to Central Govt. employees who continue to draw their pay in the pre-revised pay scale/grade pay as per 6th CPC.

DEAD LINE FOR LIFE CERTIFICATE EXTENDED TILL 15-01-2017

GOI has extended the time limit for submission of life certificate up to 15th Jan 2017. Pensioners who had not submitted the same till now, are advised to submit the same between Jan 1 & 15, 2017, after the ongoing exercise is over regarding demonetization of high value currency Notes of Rs.500 and Rs.1000.

NEWS FLASH: Fortis Hospital Mohali has been empanelled by Northern Railways & agreement has been signed for cashless treatment for all specialties in emergency and on reference by CMS Ambala for RELHS Optees.

MEMBERS RSCWS –

**PLEASE ATTEND WITH YOUR SPOUSE & OTHER RAILWAY PENSIONERS
SILVER JUBILEE GENERAL BODY MEETING OF RSCWS
AND MEDICAL SEMINAR ON NEUROLOGICAL PROBLEMS IN OLD AGE**

BY DR. SUDESH PARBHAKAR MD, DM (NEUROLOGY)

DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF NEUROLOGY, FORTIS MULTISPECIALTY HOSPITAL, MOHALI

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DELIBERATIONS ON FEASIBILITY OF PENSION*(Continued from Page 1)***Recommendations of 7th CPC vide Para 10.1.67 of its Report:**

(i) All the Civilian personnel including CAPF who retired prior to 01.01.2016 (expected date of implementation of the Seventh CPC recommendations) shall first be fixed in the Pay Matrix being recommended by this Commission, on the basis of the Pay Band and Grade Pay at which they retired, at the minimum of the corresponding level in the matrix. This amount shall be raised, to arrive at the notional pay of the retiree, by adding the number of increments he / she had earned in that level while in service, at the rate of three percent. Fifty percent of the total amount so arrived at shall be the revised pension.

(ii) Second calculation is as follows. The pension, as had been fixed at the time of implementation of the VI CPC recommendations, shall be multiplied by 2.57 to arrive at an alternate value for the revised pension.

Decision of Government vide OM Dated 4-8-2016: Both the options recommended by the 7th Central Pay Commission as regards pension revision be accepted subject to feasibility of the implementation. Revision of pension using the second option based on fitment factor of 2.57 be implemented immediately. The first option may be made feasible after examination by the Committee comprising Secretary (Pension) as Chairman and Member (Staff). Railway Board, Member (Staff), Department of Posts, Additional Secretary & Financial Adviser, Ministry of Home Affairs and Controller General of Accounts as Members

Views of Pensioner's Association: Most Pensioner's Associations – including RSCWS, BPS and JCM Staff Side - strongly represented against the above cited decision of the Government and insisted that it was absolutely feasible to implement the Option 1 of 7th CPC and Pension Record were available and as per Rules could not be destroyed till 5 years after the death of the Pensioner / Family Pensioner.

Proposal of Department of Pension presented in the Meeting of the Committee held on October 6, 2016:

"5. In her presentation, Addl Secretary (Pension) brought out the position regarding the requirement of records and the factors which may affect the feasibility of arriving at the notional pay in Seventh CPC by counting increments in the last scale of pay as recommended by the Pay . Commission. She also mentioned about the anomalies that are likely to arise in the process. The presentation brought out the methodology adopted by the Committee to examine the feasibility of the first option and the finding of the Committee in this regard. She mentioned that the service records for increment method may not be available in around 18.3% of the cases. The difficulties in extracting the information from the records and determining the exact number of the increments for revision of pension under first option were explained. She indicated that the Committee has found that the alternative method of arriving at notional pay in Seventh CPC by applying formula for pay revision for serving employees in each Pay Commission and giving 50% of this as pension to be beneficial to all pensioners in comparison to the fitment method."

Views of JCM Staff Side:

Secretary JCM Staff Side, Shiv Gopal Mishra, in his letter dated October 17, 2016 to Secretary Pension, requested the Committee that the Revision of Pension of Pre 2016 Pensioners/Family Pensioners be done as per most beneficial of the 3 Options – including the two Options given by the 7th CPC – i.e. Option 1 (based on number of increments earned in the last Pay scale from which the Pensioner retired) Or Option 2 with multiple factor of 2.57 times of existing Pension, or the proposal of DOP&PW as 3rd Option for fixing revised Pension at 50% of Notional Pay revised from Pay Commission to Pay Commission as per formula for serving employees.

**INTERPRETATION OF PROPOSED OPTION 3 FOR REVISED PENSION
HOW FAR IS IT AN ALTERNATIVE TO OPTION 1 RECOMMENDED BY 7th CPC?**

By N. P. MOHAN, President, RSCWS

The most significant recommendation of 7th CPC is to bring parity between past pensioners with those retiring after 1-1-2016 (Para 10.1.67). A long standing demand of the pensioners, who have been the victim of Modified Parity in the last two decades from 1-1-1996 (5th CPC), has been addressed by the Commission. The parity is sought to be achieved by the recommendation of Option 1 for revised pension which provides for consideration of increments earned in the last Level by a pensioner while in service. Recognizing the delay in checking record for ascertaining the increments for implementation of this option, revised pension in the interim phase was recommended to be fixed by multiplying the pension fixed after 6th CPC by MF of 2.57 (Option 2). This option has already been implemented.

While accepting the above recommendations, Govt. had constituted a 5 member Committee under the chairmanship of Secretary (Pension) to examine the feasibility of implementation of Option 1. The Committee in its meeting with JCM on 6th October has suggested an alternative option (Option 3) to overcome the difficulty of tracing record in some cases. It has been indicated in Para 5 of the minutes of the meeting "that the Committee has found that the alternative method of arriving at notional pay in Seventh CPC by applying formula for pay revision for serving employees in each Pay Commission and giving 50% of this as pension to be beneficial to all pensioners in comparison to the fitment method."

Dispensation of revised pension under alternative Option 3 will depend on the decision of the Govt on the recommendations of this Committee. The impact of Option 3 as understood from the proposal of the Committee mentioned in above is reflected in the 3 tables on Page 4 & 5 indicating the revised pension.

(SEE DETAILED ANALYSIS & ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES OF REVISED PENSION AS PER 3 OPTIONS ON PAGE 4 & 5)

EXAMPLE OF REVISED PENSION UNDER OPTION 1 & 2 of 7 th CPC & OPTION 3 BASED ON NOTIONAL PAY IN SUCCESSIVE PAY COMMISSIONS (As proposed in Para 5 of the minutes of the meeting of Feasibility Committee held with JCM on 6-10-2016)								
FOR PENSIONERS RETIRING IN 5TH CPC REGIME (1.1.1996 TO 31-12-2005) FROM SCALE S 13 (7450-11500)-LEVEL 7								
Average Pay on retirement	Pension after 5th CPC (Higher of Mod. Parity or with factor of 2.26) - whichever is higher	Notional pay-6th CPC (As per Fitment table-6th CPC)	Notional pay-7th CPC with MF OF 2.57-3rd option (col.2xMF)	Pay in the next cell of 7th CPC Pay Matrix-3rd Option	Pay based on option 1 with no. Of increments (7th CPC pay matrix-Level 7)	Revised Pension as per Option 3 (col.4/2)	Revised Pension as per Option 1 (col.5/2)	Revised Interim Pension as per Option 2 of 7th CPC (Col.2x2.57)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
7450	9230	18460	47442	47600	44900	23800	22450	23721
7675	9230	18880	48522	49000	46200	24500	23100	23721
7900	9230	19300	49601	50500	47600	25250	23800	23721
8125	9230	19720	50680	52000	49000	26000	24500	23721
8350	9436	20144	51770	52000	50500	26000	25250	24249
8575	9690	20550	52814	53600	52000	26800	26000	24903
8800	9944	20970	53893	55200	53600	27600	26800	25556
9025	10198	21390	54972	55200	55200	27600	27600	26210
9250	10453	21810	56052	56900	56900	28450	28450	26863
9475	10707	22230	57131	58600	58600	29300	29300	27516
9700	10961	22650	58211	58600	60400	29300	30200	28170
9925	11215	23070	59290	60400	62200	30200	31100	28823
10150	11470	23480	60344	60400	64100	30200	32050	29477
10375	11724	23900	61423	62200	66000	31100	33000	30130
10600	11978	24320	62502	64100	68000	32050	34000	30783
10825	12232	24740	63582	64100	70000	32050	35000	31437
11050	12487	25160	64661	66000	72100	33000	36050	32090
11275	12741	25580	65741	66000	74300	33000	37150	32744
11500	12995	25990	66794	68000	76500	34000	38250	33397

NOTES:- 1. This table is illustrative under option 3 which is as per understanding of the proposal indicated by the Feasibility Committee based on Notional pay fixation in successive Pay Commissions.
2. Actual fixation of revised pension will depend on Govt's decision in the matter.
3. The figures of revised pension under Option 1 (Col. 8) are for each stage of increment.
- Compiled by: N. P. Mohan, President RSCWS

IMPORTANCE OF OPTION 1 OF 7TH CPC FOR REVISED PENSION

- BIG LOSS IN PENSION IF IT IS DENIED

By N.P. MOHAN, President, RSCWS

Most of the Pre 2016 pensioners will suffer heavy loss in Revised Pension, if the Option 1 recommended by the Seventh CPC is denied to them.

It was after 20 years that 7th CPC recommended parity between past pensioners and those retiring after 1-1-2016 under Option 1 which means consideration of increments earned while in service as detailed in Para 10.1.67 of the Report. This objective of PARITY (Recommended by Commission after examining all factors in depth in Chapter 10) is fulfilled only with the implementation of option 1 without any dilution/deviation. Non-implementation of option 1 on the plea of non-availability of record in a few cases will have the following adverse effects:

- Pre 2006 pensioners, in particular, who are victim of modified parity will suffer a much bigger loss compared to the post 2006 retirees because in their case the basic pension which is multiplied by 2.57 in the interim phase takes into accounts their increments before retirement. This aspect has been examined in the case of Pre & Post S 19 pensioner as an example. From the Table 1 given below, it will be clear that the reduction in pension for post 2006 pensioner is of a uniform small magnitude as compared to the loss increasing exponentially with each increment lost in case of pre 2006 pensioner. Similar is the case in other scales also
- 7th CPC has considered pre 2016 pensioners as one homogenous group (Para 10.1.53 refers). It means that all pre 2016 pensioners have to be treated alike. But with denial of option 1, pre 2016 pensioners will get divided into two groups i.e. Pre 2006 and Post 2006 Pensioners - which violates the settled law of equality between the equals.
- In many cases, Option 3 gives much lower pension compared to option 1 recommended by 7th CPC. This will be clear from Table 2 below. Where a comparison has been made between two options.

TABLE- 1 SHOWING LARGE REDUCTION IN REVISED PENSION OF PRE-2006 PENSIONERS COMPARED WITH POST-2006 PENSIONERS IF OPTION 1 IS DENIED ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLE OF LEVEL 11 (Scale S19-PB3)

POST 2006 PENSIONER						PRE 2006 PENSIONER	
Increments	Pay with increments @ 3% pa	Corresponding Existing pension (col. 2/2)	Revised pension with MF of 2.57	Pension for L 11 as per matrix table	Reduction in pension with denial of Option 1 (col 5-4)	Revsd. pension with MF of 2.57	Reduction in pension with denial of Option 1 (col 5-7)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
0	25200	12600	32382	33850	1468	32382	1468
1	25956	12978	33353	34850	1497	32382	2468
2	26735	13367	34354	35900	1546	32382	3518
3	27537	13768	35385	37000	1615	32382	4618
4	28363	14181	36446	38100	1654	32382	5718
5	29214	14607	37540	39250	1710	32382	6868
6	30090	15045	38666	40450	1784	32382	8068
7	30993	15496	39826	41650	1824	32382	9268
8	31923	15961	41021	42900	1879	32382	10518
9	32880	16440	42251	44200	1949	32382	11818
10	33867	16933	43519	45550	2031	32382	13168
11	34883	17441	44824	46900	2076	32382	14518

1. From the above table it will be clear, that pre-2006 pensioners, as victims of Modified Parity will stand to lose more in pension compared to post -2006 pensioners if Option 1 of counting increments is not accepted by Govt.

2. The loss in pension for post 2006 pensioners is in the range of Rs.1700 (from 1468 to a max of 2076 as per col. 6) only and is nearly constant, whereas for pre-2006 pensioners the loss in pension increases by almost Rs.1000/- for every one increment (Refer cols. 6 & 8).

3. For example, the loss suffered in pension of pre 2006 pensioner in losing 5 increments works out to 6868 as against 1710 for post 2006 pensioner. NPMOHAN 29-9-2016

TABLE 2 SHOWING REVISED PENSION OF SCALE S 29 (LEVEL 14) PENSIONERS OF 4th CPC REGIME WITH 1st OPTION BASED ON INCREMENTS EARNED & 3rd OPTION BASED ON NOTIONAL PAY OF SUCCESSIVE PAY COMMISSIONS

(Para 5 of minutes of meeting held on 6th October, 2016) vs OPTION 1

Pay on retirement	Notional pay-5th CPC	Notional pay-6th CPC (Fitment table-6th CPC)	Notional pay-7th CPC with MF OF 2.57-3rd option (col.3xMF)	Operative Pay of col. 4 in the next cell of pay matrix (MOF OM dt 25-7-2016)	Pay based on option 1 with increments (as per pay matrix)	Pension as per option 3 (col.5/2)	Pension as per option 1 (col.6/2)	Loss of Revised pension if Option 1 is not given (Difference between Option 1 & 3) (col.8-7)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
5900	18400	54700	140579	144200	144200	72100	72100	0
6100	18400	54700	140579	144200	148500	72100	74250	2150
6300	18400	54700	140579	144200	153000	72100	76500	4400
6500	18900	56050	144049	144200	157600	72100	78800	6700
6700	18900	56050	144049	144200	162300	72100	81150	9050
6900	18900	56050	144049	144200	167200	72100	83600	11500
7100	19400	56050	144049	144200	172200	72100	86100	14000
7300	19400	56050	144049	144200	177400	72100	88700	16600

NOTE: 1.3rd Option is not suitable at all. The loss in pension is clear from col. 9.

2. 4th CPC pensioners will be worst affected because with notional pay fixation in 5th CPC scales they will get only one increment only instead of the benefit of 3 increments earned in 4th CPC scale, under Option 1.

3. Notional pay in 6th CPC in col. 3 has been taken from the Fitment table issued by MOF (DOE) on 30-8-2008.

- Compiled by: N. P. MOHAN 24-10-2016

COMMUTED PENSION NOT BEING RESTORED AUTOMATICALLY BY MANY BANKS

Many old Pensioners have complained that PDA (Pension Disbursing Authority) / Banks had not restored the Commuted portion of their Pensions even after completion of 15 years of Commutation. Many Pensioners have to go to the (PDA) Bank to especially apply and get it restored RSCWS is taking up this issue with the Govt. and the RBI to reiterate the instructions to the Banks to automatically Restore the Commuted value of Pension in all cases as per PPOs and update the Data in their system to avoid inconvenience to the Pensioners.

RSCWS URGES RAILWAY BOARD TO WAIVE OFF UNJUST ADDITIONAL PAYMENT FOR JOINING CASHLESS TREATMENT SCHEME IN EMERGENCY (CTSE) FOR RELHS BENEFICIARIES AT EMPANELLED HOSPITALS & TO EXTEND IT TO ALL RAILWAY PENSIONERS

Copy of Memorandum No. RSCWS/ HO / Memo RB / 2016-16 Dated: 28-10-2016 to Member Staff, Railway Board with copies to Director General Health Services, Railway Board & others

Reference: Railway Board's letter No.2014/H/28/1/Smart Card/Part 'A' dated 14.07.2016

We seek your benign intervention in a matter of extreme hardship perpetrated on the large number of Railway Pensioners who have been asked vide the Railway Board's letter cited above, to pay exorbitantly heavy amounts of money ranging between Rs.10000 to Rs.50000 for getting medical treatment in case of Emergency under CTSE.

The RELHS beneficiaries had already paid one month's salary or two months' Pension for joining the Railway Employees Liberalised Health Scheme (RELHS) – 97.

Under this scheme the RELHS beneficiaries are entitled for getting Medical treatment in any Private Empanelled Hospital in any case of Emergency – on Billing or Cashless system in the area in which they are registered and on Reimbursement basis in any Government or Private Hospital anywhere in India in case of Emergency. The only difference the above cited order incorporates is the cashless treatment in Empanelled Hospitals all over India.

But they were in case entitled for such a treatment in case of Emergency anywhere in India even though on Reimbursement basis. And as such no additional monetary benefit accrues to them. As such why should they be made to pay such a heavy additional amount.

As per settled law, Pensioners are entitled to proper health care by the Government and for reimbursement of Medical expenses even if they have not opted for CGHS or RELHS.

Asking RELHS Optees for payment of such heavy amounts (*ranging from Rs.10000 to Rs.50000*) merely for providing a Cashless facility instead of Reimbursement, is tantamount to sheer exploitation and fleecing the poor pensioners by showing a carrot of cashless treatment instead of reimbursement.

Above all, the CTSE is proposed to be introduced only as an experimental basis for one year and that too in 4 Metro cities only. What will happen to the heavy amounts of money paid by the poor pensioners if the scheme is closed after a year or two, is not clear, thus creating a double jeopardy.

It is, therefore, requested that

- i) Payment of Rs.10000 to 50000 for joining the CTSE be waived off for the existing RELHS Optees;
- ii) Nominal Fee be fixed for the issue of SMART CARDS for the CTSE;
- iii) CTSE may be extended to all over India as an equitable measure for health care of old Pensioners.

RSCWS URGES FOR HIGHER DA & CARRYING FORWARD OF IGNORED FRACTIONS FOR IT

Copy of Memorandum No. RSCWS/ HO / 7th CPC/ FMA/ 2016-19 Dated: 12-9-2016 to Finance Secretary for consideration of Committee of Secretaries on Allowances

Reference: Para 7 of Resolution of MOF GOI Notification No. 1-2/2016-IC Dated 25-7-2016

We have to submit as under for the kind consideration of the Committee of Secretaries on Allowances in respect of the recommendation of 7th CPC made vide Para 8.17.37 its Report about Dearness Allowance:

The existing formula for DA is unjust and weighed heavily against the employees. All India Consumer Price Index (Industrial Workers), considered for determination of DA, is defective in so far as the weightage given to various items is arbitrary and not based on present day requirements of the employees or Pensioners. By changing the base year to 2016 whatever advantage that had emerged out of the 7th Pay Commission will be **neutralized** (*for example the rise of DA as on 1-7-2016 worked out to be 7% on previous base year which would have come to Rs.490 on the old Minimum Basic Pay of Rs. 7000 but it would now be only Rs. 360 i.e. 2% of Rs.18000*).

4. Most importantly, the fraction of %age rise is totally ignored while declaring the revised DA. This considerably erodes the real wage every time the DA is revised. (*For example the %age rise of Price Index from 1-1-2016 works out to be 2.92 but the DA as per existing system would be only 2% thus resulting in 0.92% erosion of Pay & Pension in the very first year of 7th CPC*)

This is against the Law of Averages which lays down the principle that for rounding off the fraction below half may be ignored and the fraction more than half should be rounded off to the next higher point.

In any case, the fraction ignored in previous half year should be added in the next half year (*for example the Average Price Index was 125.83 at the end of December, 2016. But the fraction of 0.83 was ignored and Pay rise was given only on 125%. The balance of 0.83% should be added to 2.92 for calculation the DA from July, 2016 thus DA @ 3% instead of 2% from 1-7-2016*).

It is, therefore, requested that: Weightage given to various items in the All India Consumer Price Index, may please be modified as per present day requirements. Fraction which was/is ignored for the previous half yearly slab of DA (say in January, 2016) may please be added for calculating the next slab of DA due in July, 2016 – (*which should be 3% instead of 2% under the existing system*).

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GOVT. URGED BY RSCWS FOR INSTRUCTIONS TO BANKS FOR EARLY REVISION OF PENSION OF POST 2016 PENSIONERS WITH 2.57 MULTIPLE FACTOR LIKE PRE 2016

Copy of Memorandum No. RSCWS/ HO / Memo DOP&PW/2016-23 Dated: 28-10-2016 to Secretary, Pension

We regret to bring to your kind notice hardship of the Post 2016 Pensioners who have all not yet started getting the Revised Pension nor have they so far received their arrears for the same, even though all the serving employees as well as the Pre 2016 Pensioners have received the same as per MOF Notification dated 25-7-2016 your office OM Dated 4-8-2016 respectively.

This hardship to the Post 2016 Pensioners has been caused since no instructions have so far been issued to the PDA Banks for payment of Revised Pension & Arrears thereof, as per Multiplication Factor of 2.57, pending issue of Revised PPOs as done for Pre 2016 Pensioners vide your office OM dated 4-8-2016.

The issue of Revised PPOs to the Post 2016 Pensioners is bound to take quite some time. Till then they will continue to be deprived of the revision of their Pension and the arrears thereof.

It is, therefore, requested that all Banks be advised to pay the Revised Pension & Arrears as per Multiplication Factor of 2.57, Pending issue of Revised PPOs.

RSCWS ASKS FOR BENEFIT OF UPGRADED / MERGED PAY SCALES TO PENSIONERS

Copy of Memorandum No. RSCWS/ CHD/Memo/2016-2 Dated: 12 9-2016 to Secretary Pension

Ref: Our Memorandum No. RSCWS/ CHD/Memo/2016-2 Dated 24-2-2016 to Prime Minister of India and a copy to your office 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 of even No.Dated 24-2-2016 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.

Issue of Pensioners' Identity Card to pensioners

Copy of DOP&PW OM No. 4112112000-P&PW-(D) Dated 26-10-2016

The undersigned is directed to say that instructions for issue of Identity Card to pensioners have been issued from time to time. In this Department's OM of even numbers dated 25.7.2013, it was inter alia mentioned that it would not be necessary to have the National Emblem on the Identity Card of pensioners. 2. The matter has been reconsidered in consultation with the Ministry of Home Affairs keeping in view the provisions of State Emblem of India (Regulation of Use) Rule, 2007. Ministry of Home Affairs have indicated that they have no objection to the issue of Identity Card to retired Government personnel/pensioners with State emblem. The instructions/clarifications issued by this Department's OM in this regard stand modified to this extent. 3. All Ministries/Departments are requested to keep the above in view while issuing Identity Cards to pensioners who retired from the Central Government Civil Service. This provision will not be applicable in respect of the pensioners retired from the Autonomous Bodies, etc. Such autonomous bodies can, however, use their own logo on the Identity Cards, in accordance with the relevant instructions.

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