No. 1/6/08-P&PW (E) Ministry of Personnel, P.G. & Pensions Department of Pension & Pensioner's Welfare

Lok Nayak Bhawan Khan Market, New Delhi-110003 Dated: 22nd June, 2010

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Inclusion of names of the widowed or divorced or unmarried daughter/ parents/ dependent disabled siblings (i.e. brothers and sisters/) in the PPO - Procedure for - Regarding.

The undersigned is directed to state that it was clarified earlier vide this Department's O.M.No. 1/21/91-P&PW (E) dated 20.1.1993 that the revised PPO format introduced w.e.f. 1.1.1990 contains provision for entry of details of all members of the family of the pensioner. The PPOs issued prior to 1.1.90, however, do not contain the names/ details of children of the pensioner. In cases where the names of eligible children have not been mentioned in the PPO for various reasons, the pensioner can furnish a list of eligible children to the pension sanctioning authority and obtain an acknowledgement thereof from that authority. This acknowledgment will be produced at the time of submission of family pension claim to the pension sanctioning authority. However, the production of acknowledgment will not be a pre-condition to the processing of claim for family pension. Even the spouse of the dead Government servant/ pensioner can furnish the details of such Children, if not furnished by the Government servant/pensioner earlier, to the pension sanctioning authority as clarified vide this Department's O.M. No. 1/21/91-P&PW (E) dt. 15.1.1999.

Representations have been received in this Department from 2. Pensioners/family pensioners and Pensioners Associations indicating the reluctance on the part of Ministries/Departments/Organisations to members family (i.e. include the names of eligible parents and dependent widowed/divorced/unmarried daughters; disabled siblings (i.e. brothers and sisters) in the PPO thereby delaying the sanction of family pension to such eligible family members. This is not only a source of frustration and denial of rightful claim to such eligible family members but at times causes undue hardship to them.

- With a view to streamlining and cut delays in the pension sanctioning process, it is hereby clarified that in cases wherein eligibility of family members (i.e. divorced or widowed or unmarried daughter/ parents/ dependent disabled siblings (i.e. brothers/sisters) occurs after issue of the PPO, the pensioner himself or his/her spouse may intimate details/ names of divorced or widowed or unmarried daughter/parents/dependent disabled siblings (i.e. brothers and sisters), to the pension sanctioning authority as per the procedure indicated in para (1) above. Similarly, in cases where the pensioner or his/her spouse has expired, the widowed or divorced or unmarried daughter/ parents/ dependent disabled sibling can themselves intimate such details to the pension sanctioning authority. However, the family pension in such cases can be processed by the pension sanctioning authority even without such intimation/acknowledgment, if sufficient proof of entitlement is produced by the claimant and all other conditions for grant of family pension are fulfilled.
- 4. This issues with the concurrence of the Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure vide their U.O. No.368/EV/2010 dated 15.06.2010.

5. Hindi version will follow.

Yours sincerely

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