

GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Pension – Revision of pension and other related benefits – Modifications – Orders Issued.

FINANCE (PENSION – B) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(P)No.253/2006/Fin

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 8th June 2006.

Read: 1) GO(P)No.180/2006/Fin dated 18.04.2006.

2) Lr. No.PI/GI/6-118/06-07/44 dated 11.05.2006 from the Accountant General (A&E), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.

ORDER

- 1. In the Government Order read above, Government have issued orders revising the Pension/Family Pension and other related benefits of State Government Pensioners and Family Pensioners, along with the revision of scales of pay of employees and teachers.
- 2. Accountant General, vide his letter read 2 above, has pointed out certain errors and the need for clarification on certain issues. After having considered the issues, Government are pleased to issue orders as in the subsequent paragraphs.
- 3. In the 1997 Pension Revision, in certain cases, personal allowance has been sanctioned to certain pensioners in order to protect a drop in pension that had arisen then when pension was revised. Although no Dearness Relief is payable on such personal allowance, it is continuing to be paid to such pensioners, in addition to their pension and dearness relief. Government hereby order that pensioners who are in receipt of such personal allowance as ordered in G.O(P)No.373/99(6)/Fin dated 2-2-1999 will be allowed to add such personal allowance also as item No.(iv) along with basic pension, fitment benefit of 6% and Dearness Relief of 59% vide para 3.2 of G.O. read 1 above, in order to arrive at the revised basic pension. The Government Order read 1 above stands modified to this extent.

- 4. It is clarified that re-employed pensioners and employed family pensioners are not eligible for medical allowance as in the case of exgratia pensioners, prorata pensioners, ex-personal staff of Ministers/Leader of the Opposition, etc.
- 5. In the second sentence in para 5.1 of G.O read (1) above, there is a reference (in some copies) of applicability of commutation of pension "in the case of retirement/death while in service on or after 1-3-2006". The words "/death while in service" appearing in this sentence will stand deleted, since commutation of pension applies only in respect of retirement and not for a person who dies while in service.
- 6. In Schedule I (on pages 2 and 4), in Row No.48, the basic pay has been erroneously entered as 13720 instead of 13270. The corresponding column 2 of figures in columns 3 to 13 on page 2 and 14 to 23 on page 4 also need to be changed. The correct details are as follows:

	Row	Pay	Max.	29	28	27	26	25	24	23
	No.		Pen	yrs						
Column No.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
As erroneously entered on page 2 of Schedule 1	48	13720	6860	6631	6403	6173	5945	5717	5488	5259
Corrected entry	48	13270	6635	6414	6193	5972	5750	5529	5308	5087

	Row	Pay	Max.	22	21	20	19	18	17	16
	No		Pen	yrs						
Column No.	1	2	3	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
As	48	13720	6860	5031	4802	4573	4345	4116	3887	3659
erroneously										
entered on										
pages 2&4 of										
Schedule 1										
Corrected	48	13270	6635	4866	4645	4423	4202	3981	3760	3539
entry										

	Row	Pay	Max.	15	14	13	12	11	10
	No		Pen	yrs	yrs	yrs	yrs	yrs	yrs
Column No.	1	2	3	18	19	20	21	22	23
As erroneously	48	13720	6860	3430	3201	2973	2744	2515	2400
entered on									
page 4 of									
Schedule 1									
Corrected	48	13270	6635	3318	3096	2875	2654	2433	2400
entry									

7. In Schedule 2 also, against row No.48, the correct basic pay is to be read as 13270 instead of 13720. The maximum pension and family pension in columns 3 and 4 also need to be revised accordingly. These are corrected as follows:

	Row	Basic	Max.	Family
	No	Pay	Pen	Pension
Column No	1	2	3	4
As erroneously	48	13720	6860	4116
entered in Schedule 2				
Corrected entries	48	13270	6635	3981

8. The revision of pension and family pension ordered in G.O. read above, envisages arriving at the revised basic pension after giving fitment benefit of 6%, merging of Dearness Relief at 59% and adding personal allowance, if any, vide paragraphs 3.2 and 4.2 of G.O. read (1) above and paragraph (3) above. It has been further built into the order that every pensioner/family pensioner should get a benefit of at least Rs.200/and that the minimum pension shall be Rs.2400/-. These are changes, which, in the past, have been sanctioned by the Sub Treasury Officers/Bank Managers at their level because no further data relating to the pensioner is required to undertake this revision. However, in line with the recommendations of the latest Pay Revision Commission the revised basic pension and family pension as computed vide paragraphs 3.2 and 4.2 of the G.O has to be compared with 50% of the minimum of the corresponding revised scale of the post from which the pensioner retired (corresponding to the qualifying service put in by him). If the revised basic pension is less than such amount, then such amount is to be fixed as the revised basic pension. It is this requirement that has resulted in the need to ascertain the scale of pay/designation and qualifying service at

the time of retirement of the pensioner. In view of the need to completely refix the pension and family pension based on such scales of pay and qualifying service at the time of retirement, it has been ordered vide G.O read (1) above that the revision will be sanctioned by officers specifically authorized in this regard after due vetting by the Accountant It has been further ordered that each pensioner/family pensioner shall submit full details in Appendix 1 of the G.O read (1) It has been represented to Government by some of the Pensioners' Associations that in the first stage, the Treasury Officers/Bank Managers may themselves be authorized to revise the basic pension merely on the basis of the fitment benefit, merger of DR, etc (ie. as ordered in paras 3.2 and 4.2 of the G.O) and then authorise the same after ensuring the minimum pension of Rs.2400 and a minimum increase of Rs.200/-. In this manner, a majority of the pensioners will be benefited straight away, without having to submit the full details required in Appendix 1 to the G.O and without having to get the revised pension and family pension calculations vetted by the Accountant General. It will still be necessary to get the full details as per Appendix 1 and also get the calculations vetted by the Accountant General if the benefit of ensuring 50% of the minimum of the corresponding revised scale of the post from which the pensioner retired is to be ensured (vide paragraphs 3.3 and 4.4). Government have considered the above suggestion and accept the same. It is therefore ordered that the revised basic pension as at para 3.2, subject to the minimum pension of Rs.2400 and minimum benefit of Rs.200 may be calculated and sanctioned by the Treasury Officers/Bank Managers themselves as "provisional revised pension". Similarly, the revised family pension under para 4.2, subject to the minimum family pension of Rs.2400 and the minimum benefit of Rs.200 can also be sanctioned by the concerned Treasury Officer/Bank Manager without further reference to anyone including the A.G.

- 9. The Treasury Officer/Bank Managers are also authorised to sanction the exgratia pension revision as ordered in para 11 of the G.O read (1) above, the revision of Part time contingent pension as ordered in para 12 of the G.O read (1) above and the revision of pro-rata pension as ordered in para 3.11 of GO read (1) above, without reference to Accountant General and without insisting on the full details sought vide Appendix 1.
- 10. Each pensioner/family pensioner shall submit a written request in the form in <u>Appendix 4</u> to provisionally revise their pension/family pension in accordance with these orders. In such cases, arrears of pension can also be paid in accordance with para 10 of Government Order read (1) above. It is further ordered that the Interim Relief drawn by the

pensioner/family pensioner will stop when the provisional revised pension /family pension starts being paid or on 31.10.2006, whichever is earlier.

- 11. The provisional revision of pension and family pension in respect of those who are receiving the same from Treasuries (whether inside the State or outside) will be done by the concerned Treasury/Sub Treasury Officer. The provisional revision in respect of those who receive pension through Banks will be done by the Bank Manager concerned.
- 12. After the provisional revision of pension/family pension, the Treasury Officer/Pension Disbursing Authority shall prepare a statement in the form given in Appendix –5 in duplicate and send one copy of the same to the Accountant General (A&E), Thiruvananthapuram 695039, Kerala for verification and updation of the registers maintained by the Accountant General. In cases where the Pension Disbursing Authority is a nominated Public Sector Bank, the fixation statement shall be prepared in triplicate and one copy sent to the Accountant General, Kerala and one copy attached to the scroll for payment of revised provisional pension for the first time. The correctness of the fixation made by the Public Sector Bank will be checked by the concerned District Treasury Officer, when the scroll is included in the Treasury accounts.
- 13. It is further clarified that stepping up of the revised basic pension / family pension to 50% / 30% of the minimum of the corresponding revised scale as ordered in paragraphs 3.3 and 4.4 of G.O read (1) above will be sanctioned subsequently after the full details relating to the pensioners are available and after vetting by the representative of the Accountant General as provided for in paragraph 13.4 of G.O read (1) above.
- 14. The provisional revision of pension ordered vide paragraph 8 to 13 above, will apply only to those who retired/expired while in service prior to 01.07.2004. For those who retired on or after 01.07.2004, the pension will be revised by the Accountant General in accordance with the revised pay scale as provided in G.O read (1) above.

By order of the Governor,

K. Jose Cyriac Principal Secretary [Finance]

To

The Accountant General (A&E), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram. The Principal Accountant General (Audit), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.

All Heads of Departments and Offices.

All Departments (All Sections) of the Secretariat.

The Secretary, Kerala Public Service Commission (with C.L).

The Registrar, University of Kerala/Cochin/Calicut)with C.L).

The Registrar, Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam (with C.L).

The Registrar, University of Kannur, Kannur.

The Registrar. Kerala Agricultural University, Thrissur (with C.L).

The Registrar, University of Sanskrit, Ernakulam.

The Secretary. Kerala State Electricity Board (with C.L).

The General Manager, KSRTC. (with C.L).

The Registrar, High Court. Ernakulam.

All Secretaries, Additional Secretaries, Joint Secretaries, Deputy Secretaries and Under Secretaries to Government.

The Private Secretaries to Chief Minister and other Ministers.

The Private Secretaries to Speaker. Deputy Speaker, the Leader of

Opposition and Government Chief Whip.

The Director of Public Relations, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Secretary to Governor.

The Additional/Deputy Secretary to the Chief Secretary.

The Accountant General (A&E), Tamil Nadu, Chennai.

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The Accountant General (A&E), Karnataka. Bangalore.

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The Accountant General (A&E), Rajasthan. Jaipur.

The Accountant General (A&E). Gujarat, Gandhi Nagar.

The Accountant General (A&E). Hariyana, Chandigarh.

The Accountant General (A&E), Punjab, Chandigarh.

The Accountant General (A&E), Jammu & Kashmir, Srinagar.

The Accountant General (A&E). Himachal Pradesh, Shimla.

The Principal Accounts Officer, Delhi Administration. Vikas Bhavan, New Delhi.

The Accountant General (A&E), Madhiya Pradesh, Gwalior.

The Accountant General (A&E), Orissa, Bhubaneswar.

The Accountant General (A&E), Uttar Pradesh. Allahabad.

The Accountant General (A&E), Bihar. Patna.

The Accountant General (A&E), West Bengal, Kolkata.

The Accountant General (A&E), Assam, Dispur, Gauhati.

The Accountant General (A&H), Manipur, Imphal.

The Accountant General (A&F), Tripura, Agartala.

The Accountant General (A&E), Nagaland, Kohima.

The Accountant General (A&E), Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.

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The Accountant General (A&E), Jharkhand, Ranchi.

The Accountant General (A&E), Missoram. Iswal.

The Accountant General (A&E), Meghalaya, Shillong.

The Accountant General (A&E), Sikkim, Gangtok.

The Reserve Rank of India, Government and Bank Accounts (NB) Section, Bandra (E), Bombay (250 copies).

The Head Offices of all Nationalised Banks (250 copies).

The Chief Manager. Finance and Accounts, State Bank of Travancore,

Thiruvananthapuram.

The Regional Manager, Union Bank of India, Ernakulam.

The Assistant Divisional Manager, Central Bank of India.

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The Senior Manager, Canara Bank, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Senior Manager, Circle Office (Annexe Canara Bank,

Thiruvananthapuram.

The Chief Regional Manager, State Bank of India, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Divisional Manager. Syndicate Bank. Thiruvananthapuram.

The Regional Manager, Indian Bank, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Regional Manager, Indian Overseas Bank, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Regional Manager. Vijaya Bank, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Director of Treasuries. Thiruvananthapuram.

The District Treasuries/Sub Treasuries.

Appendix 4

Application for provisional revision of pension/family pension or both as per GO(P)No.253/06/Fin dated 08.06.2006 in respect of retirement/death prior to 01.07.2004

То	
	The Treasury Officer/Disbursing Officer
Sir,	
Shri/S	Kindly revise my pension / family pension / the pension of late Smt
	ioner) provisionally as contemplated in GO(P)No.253/06/Fin dated
	The details in respect of my/his/her PPO are given below. (Strike out inapplicable clauses)
1	Name of Pensioner/ Family Pensioner (in the case of Family Pensioner, the name of Government Servant also to be given).
2	Designation
3	Department from which retired
4	Date of retirement/ death

while in service

- 5 Date of death, in the case of death after retirement
- 6 PPO No.
- Name of Pension Disbursing Officer
- 8 Date of commencement of Pension/Family Pension
- 9 Whether pensionary benefits settled reckoning pay in the UGC, AICTE Medical Education Scheme or Central Judicial Scale of Pay
- 10 Present Address of the Pensioner/ Family Pensioner

Declaration

I hereby agree to refund excess amount received, if any, on account of provisional revision of pension.

Place:	Signature of Pensioner/Family
Date:	Pensioner/Nominee/Legal heirs

Appendix 5

Statement of Provisional revision of Pension / Family Pension or both in respect of retirement / death prior to 01.07.2004 as ordered in G.O.(P) No.253/2006/Fin dated 08/06/2006.

(with effect from 01.04.2005 only)

- Name of Pensioner/FamilyPensioner with present Address
- 2 Date of retirement/ death while in service
- 3 Date of death, in the case of death after retirement
- 4 Designation
- 5 Department from which retired
- 6 PPO No.
- 7 Provisional Revision of pension/family pension

		Full Pension	Family Pension	
			Higher rate upto	Normal rate thereafter
	1	2	3	4
(i)	Existing prior to 1.4.2005			
(ii)	Fitment benefit in pension as per para 3.2/4.2 of the G.O. dated 18.04.2006.			
(iii)	DR at 59%			
(iv)	Personal Allowances, if any (para 3 of GO dated 08.06.06)			
(v)	Total			

vi)	Amount to be added to ensure minimum increase of Rs 200/-provisionally (see Note below)	
(vii)	Commuted value of pension	
(vii)	Provisionally revised Pension after commutation	

Signature of Treasury Officer/ Disbursing Officer with Office Seal

Note: Compare the total of item (I) and (iii) with the amount in column No.(v). If the difference between two sums is less than Rs.200/-, the amount which falls short of Rs.200/- may be added as item (vi)