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No. 8/2/2011 - FF(P) Government of India / Bharat Sarkar Ministry of Home Affairs / Grih Mantralaya

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Lok Nayak Bhawan, Khan Market, New Delhi-110 003 Dated the October 2011

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To

The Chief Controller of Accounts,

Ministry of Home Affairs,

North Block,

New Delhi -110 001.

Subject:

Grant of another installment of Dearness Relief to the freedom fighters and their eligible dependents under the *Swatantrata Sainik Samman* Pension (SSSP) Scheme, 1980, w.e.f. 1.8,2011.

Sir.

I am directed to refer to this Ministry's letter No. 8/8/97-FF(P) dated 16th/20th August. 1997 wherein it was decided that pension be linked with the price index in an appropriate manner.

Subsequently, in consultation with the Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure and after taking into consideration the All India Consumer Price Index(AICPI) for Industrial Workers (IW) in June, 1997 as the base, Dearness Relief @7% of the pension or dependent family pension was sanctioned w.e.f. 1st August 1998 vide Ministry of Home Affairs letter No. 8/8/97-FF(P) dated 14th October 1998.

- 3. The Dearness Relief has been revised periodically, in consultation with the Ministry of Finance, as indicated below;-
- (i). @ 20% w.e.f. 1.8.1999.
- (ii). @ 24% w.e.f. 1.8.2000,
- (iii). @ 28% w.e.f. 1.8.2001.
- (iv). @ 34% w.e.f. 1.8.2002,
- (v). @ 39% w.e.f. 1.8.2003,
- (vi). (a) 44% w.e.f. 1.8.2004
- (vii). @ 50% w.e.f 15.8.2005,
- (viii). @ 58% w.e.f. 1.8,2006.
- (ix). @ 68% w.e.f. 1.8.2007,
- (x). @ 79% w.e.f. 1.8.2008.
- (xi). @ 96% w.e.f. 1.8.2009.
- (xii) @ 123% w.e.f. 1.8.2010.

4. It has been decided to grant another installment of Dearness Relief to various categories of freedom fighters and their eligible dependents under the Swatantrata Sainik Samman Pension (SSSP) Scheme, 1980, @ 20% with effect from August 1, 2011. The total Dearness Relief payable to various categories of freedom fighters and their eligible dependents w.e.f. 1.\$,2011 would, thus be 143%.

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5. Dearness Relief payable with effect from 1.8.2011, in terms of these orders, to various categories of freedom fighters and their eligible dependents under the *Swatantrata Sainik Samman* Pension (SSSP) Scheme, 1980, would be as under:

S. No.	Category	Present rate of basic monthly pension (w.e.f. 2.10.2006) (₹)	Dearness Relief @ 143% of the basic monthly pension payable with effect from 1.8.2011 (₹)
1 (a)	Ex-Andaman Political Prisoners	7,330/-	10,482/-
(b)	Freedom Fighters who suffered outside British India (other than INA)	6,830/	9,767/-
2	Other Freedom Fighters	6,330/-	9,052/-
3	Widow/widower of above categories of freedom fighters	Entitlement same as of the respective deceased freedom fighter	Entitlement same as of the respective deceased freedom fighter
4	Unmarried/unemployed daughters [Subject to a maximum of three such daughters at a time]	1,500/- each to all the three daughters	2,145/- each to all the three daughters
5	Mother and Father	1,000/- each	1,430/- each

- 6. You are therefore, requested to issue necessary instructions to all concerned to modify the existing pension payments orders (PPO) of the freedom fighter pensioners and their eligible dependents in each case so as to effect commencement of payment of Dearness Relief to the extent indicated in paragraphs 2 and 3 above.
- 7. This issues with the approval of Ministry of Finance given vide their U.O. No. 1(7)/EV/2004 dated 11.10.2011 and concurrence of Integrated Finance Division of Ministry of Home Affairs given vide their C.F.99351/SS&FA(H) dated \$\frac{1}{2}\$.10.2011.
- Hindi version will follow.

Yours faithfully,

(R.C. Nayak) Director (FF)

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Copy forwarded (By Speed/Registered Post) for information and similar action to :-

- The Secretary, Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure, North Block, New Delhi-110 001 [Attention: Sh. Siddharth Sharma, Director (Administration)].
- 2. The Comptroller and Auditor General of India, 10, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi. It is requested that all Accountant Generals may be advised to issue necessary instructions to all the Treasury Officers for making payment of Dearness Relief as per the rates mentioned above with effect from 1.8.2011.
- 3. The Chief Accountant, Reserve Bank of India, Central Office, Department of Accounts & Expenditure, Mumbai. It is requested that necessary instructions be issued to the nationalized banks for making payment of Dearness Relief as per the rates mentioned above with effect from 1.8.2011.
- Chief Controller of Accounts, Central Pension Accounting Office (CPAO), Bhikaji Kama Place, Trikoot-II, Behind Hotel Hyatt Regency, New Delhi -110 066.
- Chief Controller of Accounts (Pension and Misc.), Jamnagar House, N.D.-110 011.
- 6. The Accounts Officer, Office of the Controller General of Accounts, Ministry of Finance, Lok Nayak Bhawan, New Delhi-110 003.
- Chief Secretaries of all State Governments/U.T. Administrations.
- 8. Prime Minister's Office, South Block, New Delhi.
- The Cabinet Secretariat, Rashtrapati Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 10. PS to Home Minister, MHA, North Block, New Delhi.
- 11. PS to MOS(S), MHA, North Block, New Delhi.
- 12. Private Secretaries to HS / Secretary (BM) / JS(FFR) / SS & FA(H).
- All Officers and staff of Freedom Fighters' Division, Ministry of Home Affairs, Lok Nayak Bhawan, Khan Market, New Delhi.
- SO(IT), alongwith a soft copy of the order, with the request to place it on the MHA's website (FFR Division).

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