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Government of India / Bharat Sarkar
Ministry of Home Affairs / Grih Mantralaya
Freedom Fighter & Rehabilitation Division
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2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, NDCC-II Building, Jai Singh Road,

To

The Chief Controller of Accounts, Ministry of Home Affairs, North Block, New Delhi-110 001.

Sub:- Grant of another instalment of Dearness Relief to the freedom fighters and their eligible dependents under the Swatantrata Sainik Samman Pension (SSSP) Scheme, 1980, w.e.f. 01.08.2013.

New Delhi, the 8<sup>th</sup> November 2013.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to this Ministry's letter No. 08/08/97–FF(P) dated 16<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup> August 1997 wherein it was decided that central samman pension be linked with the price index in an appropriate manner.

- 2. 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. 1<sup>st</sup> August 1998 vide Ministry of Home Affairs letter No. 08/08/97-FF(P) dated 14<sup>th</sup> October 1998.
- 3. With reference to Central Samman Pension, the dearness relief has been revised periodically, in consultation with the Ministry of Finance, as indicated below:-
  - (i) @20% w.e.f. 01.08.1999.
  - (ii) @24% w.e.f. 01.08.2000.
  - (iii) @28% w.e.f. 01.08.2001.
  - (iv) @34% w.e.f. 01.08.2002.
  - (v) @39% w.e.f. 01.08.2003. (vi) @44% w.e.f. 01.08.2004.
  - (vi) @44% w.e.f. 01.08.2004. (vii) @50% w.e.f. 15.08.2005.
  - (viii) @58% w.e.f. 01.08.2006.
  - (ix) @68% w.e.f. 01.08.2007.
  - (x) @79% w.e.f. 01.08.2008.
  - (xi) @96% w.e.f. 01.08.2009.
  - (xii) @123% w.e.f. 01.08.2010.
  - (xiii) @143% w.e.f. 01.08.2011.
  - (xiv) @ 165% w.e.f. 01.08.2012



4. It has been decided to grant another instalment of Dearness Relief to various categories of the freedom fighters and their eligible dependents under the Swatantrata Sainik Samman Pension (SSSP) Scheme, 1980, @ 28% with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> August 2013. The total Dearness Relief payable to various categories of the freedom fighters and their eligible dependents w.e.f. 01.08.2013 would, thus be 193%.

5. Dearness Relief payable with effect from 01.08.2013, in terms of these orders, to various categories of the freedom fighters and their eligible dependent under the Swatantrata Sainik Samman Pension (SSSP) Scheme, would be as under:-

SI. No.	Category	Present rate of basic monthly pension (w.e.f. 02.10.2006)	193% of the basic
1 (a)	Ex-Andaman Political Prisoners	7,330/-	14,147/-
(b)	Freedom Fighters who suffered outside British India (other than INA)	6,830/-	13,182/-
2	Other Freedom Fighters	6,330/-	12,217/-
3	Widow/widower of above categories of freedom fighters	Entitlement same as of the respective deceased freedom fighter	the respective deceased freedom
4	Unmarried/unemployed daughters [ Subject to a maximum of three such daughters at a time]	1500/- each to all the three daughters	2,895/- each to all the three daughters
5	Mother and Father	1,000/- each	1,930/- each

- 6. You are therefore, requested to issue necessary instructions to the 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 above.
- 7. This issues with the approval of Ministry of Finance given vide their U.O. ID No. 1(7)/EV/2004 dated 31.10.2013 and concurrence of Integrated finance Division of Ministry of Home Affairs given vide their C.F.3204654/AS&FA(H) dated 05.11.2013.
- 8. Hindi version will follow.

Yours faithfully,

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

- 1. The Secretary, Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure, North Block, New Delhi-110001 [Attention: Shri Vijay Kumar Singh, 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 01.08.2013.
- 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 01.08.2013.
- 4. The Manager, Reserve Bank of India, Department of Government & Bank Accounts, Central Office, Opp. Mumbai Central Railway Station, Byculla, Mumbai-400 008.
- The Chief Controller of Accounts, Central Pension Accounting Office (CPAO), Bhikaji Cama Place, Trikoot-II, Behind Hotel Hyatt Regency, New Delhi-110066.
- 6. The Chief Controller of Accounts (Pension and Misc.), Jamnagar House, New Delhi-110011.
- 7. The Accounts Officer, Officer of the Controller General of Accounts, Ministry of Finance, Lok Nayak Bhawan, New Delhi 110003.
- 8. The Chief Secretaries of all State Government/U.T. Administrations.
- 9. The Prime Minister's Office, South Block, New Delhi.
- 10. The Cabinet Secretariat, Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi.
- 11. The PS to Home Minister, MHA, North Block, New Delhi.
- 12. The PS to MOS (S), MHA, North Block, New Delhi.
- 13. The PS to Secretary (BM)/JS(FFR)/AS&FA(H), MHA, North Block, New Delhi.
- 14. All Officers and staff of Freedom Fighters' Division, Ministry of Home Affairs, NDDC-II, Jai Singh Road, New Delhi.
- The SO (IT), along with a soft copy of the order, with the request to place it on the MHA's website (FFR Division).

(R.C. Nayak) Director (FF)