

Circular No. 149

No. AT/Tech/41-VIII
O/o the Pr. C.D.A. (P), Allahabad
Date: 09/11 .11.2011

To,

1. The C.M.Ds, All Public Sector Banks.....
2. The Director of Treasuries states.....
3. Nodal Officers, ICICI /IDBI / Axis /HDFC Bank.
4. The PCDA (WC) Chandigarh
5. The CDA (PD) Meerut
6. The CDA Chennai
7. Military Attache, Indian Embassy Kathmandu, Nepal.
8. The Pay & Accounts Officers.....
9. The Post Master.....

Sub: - Resumption/Restoration of monthly pension on re-appearance of the pensioner, who had not drawn his/her pension within 36 months.

Guidelines for resumption of monthly pension on re-appearance of the pensioner, who fails to draw his / her pension for a period of 36 months in the case of DPDOs and 12 months in the case of PSBs & other PDAs (12months in the case of pension to be paid for the first time to class-V pensioners) from the date it fell due, are provided in para 111.1 & 111.3 of Defence Pension Payment Instructions (Defence PPI), 2005(Copy enclosed).

2. According to para 111.1 of PPI, Pension should be claimed as and when it falls due. Unless otherwise provided, if a pensioner fails to draw his /her pension for a period of 36 months (12months in the case of pension to be paid for the first time to class-V pensioners) from the date it fell due, the same may be ceased to be payable by the Pension Disbursing Authority.

3. Para 111.3 of PPI, further provides that if such a pensioner afterwards re-appears and a claim to draw his / her pension is preferred, the Pension Disbursing Authority may resume the payment of monthly pension accruing thereafter but the arrears can be paid by himself subject to the provisions of Pars 111.1. In other cases, however, sanction of the PCDA(P) would be obtained.

4. It has however, been observed that Pension Disbursing Authorities are not adhering to the guidelines/provision of Para111.3 of Defence PPI, 2005 for resumption of monthly pension on re-appearance of the pensioner who claims to draw his/ her pension. They resume monthly pension only after obtaining payment authority for the arrears due from PCDA (P) Allahabad/PCDA (WC)

Chandigarh/ CDA (PD) Meerut / CDA Chennai as the case may be. Due to this action of PDAs, the pensioners are being put to inconvenience which leads to unwarranted complaints.

5. In view of the above, it is requested that all pension paying offices / Treasuries / PSBs/4 Private Sector Banks / DPDOs under your jurisdiction may be instructed to strictly adhere to the guidelines of para 111.3 of Defence PPI, 2005 and resume the monthly pension to pensioner on his/her re-appearance after observing the following safeguards.:-

i) PDA will be personally responsible to verify the genuineness & identity of such pensioner and fully satisfy himself with the reasons submitted by the pensioner for his/her prolonged absence.

ii) The DPDO will also complete the formalities mentioned at Para 111.4 of the PPI and will invariably submit the application of the pensioner of IAFA-651 to the concerned PCDA/CDA, only when the same is beyond the powers delegated to them, confirming about the resumption of monthly pension to the pensioner on his/her re-appearance. Other PDAs/PSBs/4 Private Sector banks will submit such arrears claims to the PCDA(P) Allahabad for according sanction.

iii) DPDO will inform the resumption of monthly pension payment to ZO(PD)/CDA concerned through a monthly report. Other PDAs will intimate the same to PCDA(P) Allahabad. Nil reports are also necessary.

iv) ZO(PD) will carry out 100% special checks on all these cases during their post audit and endorse on the action taken by the DPDO on check register.

v) The systems, procedures and necessary checks prescribed to be followed for cases of re-appearance within 36 months will also be followed in such cases.


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1. The CGDA, ULAN BATAR ROAD, Palam Delhi Cantt-110010- For information w.r.to HQrs. Office letter No. 5169/AT-P/Vol-IX dated 10.10.2011
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3. The CDA (AF), New Delhi
4. PA to CDA (AT) / CDA (Gts) in Main Office.
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6. All GOs, in Main Office.
7. Officer-in-Charge, G-I/ M (Tech), G-I/C (Tech) and. Gts /Tech Section (Local).
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Accounts Officer (P)

CHAPTER –VI

Payment of Arrears of Pensionary Awards

Payment of arrears of pension

- 111.1 Pension should be claimed as and when it falls due. Unless otherwise provided, if a pensioner fails to draw his / her pension for a period of 36 months (12 months in the case of Pension to be paid for the first time to Class V pensioners) from the date it fell due, the same may be ceased to be payable by the Pension Disbursing Authority.
- 111.2 When a pensioner neglects to draw his /her pension for continuous period as mentioned above, the Pension Disbursing Authority should make enquiries as to whether he / she is alive or not and the cause of his / her non – appearance. A suitable note should also be endorsed on the Payment Register over the signature of the Pension Disbursing Authority.
- Note- In the case of Gorkha military pensioners residing in Nepal, the claims to the arrears of pension not drawn within 36 months of the due date, enquiries will be instituted by the Pension Disbursing Authorities. The claim to arrears of pension shall be supported by Certificate from Gram Pradhan / Gram Panchayat duly endorsed by Secretary Zila Sainik Board indicating the genuineness of the claim and certifying the identification of the claimant by them.
- 111.3 If such a pensioner afterwards re-appears and a claim to draw his / her pension is preferred, the Pension Disbursing Authority may resume the payment of monthly pension accruing thereafter, after verifying the genuineness and identity of such pensioner and fully satisfying himself with the reasons submitted by the pensioner for his/her prolonged absence. but the arrears can be paid by himself subject to the provisions of **Para 111.1**. In other case, however, sanction of the Principal Controller of Defence Accounts (Pensions) would be obtained.
- 111.4 The pensioner concerned should in such cases be advised to submit an application on IAFA-651 with an explanation for his / her failure to draw the pension within the stipulated period, for the payment of arrears of pension. The Pension Disbursing Authority while forwarding the application should offer his remarks on the case, furnishing information regarding the period for which the arrears are due, the amount due, his having satisfied himself about the correctness of the claim from all angles, as also his acceptance or comments on the explanation of the pensioner for his / her failure to draw the pension in due time. Any other relevant and useful information that would help to decide the case, should also be furnished to the Principal Controller of Defence Accounts (Pensions). The Principal Controller of Defence Accounts (Pensions) will thereafter issue Payment Authority to the Pension Disbursing Authority for the payment of the arrears due.
- 111.5 Arrears due to re-fixation/Consolidation authorised through Government Orders / Circulars Circulated by Principal Controller of Defence Accounts