Receipt No: 1476848/2019/FFR-POLICY

F.No.45/08/2017-FF(P)

Government of India/Bharat Sarkar Ministry of Home Affairs/Grih Mantralaya Freedom Fighters & Rehabilitation Division

> 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, NDCC-II Building, Jai Singh Road, New Delhi – 110 001, Dated, the 26<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

To

The Pr. Chief Controller of Accounts(Home), Ministry of Home Affairs, MDCNS, New Delhi-110 001

Subject: Grant of Dearness Relief to Central Freedom Fighter Pensioners w.e.f. 01.01.2019 -regarding

Sir,

I am directed to refer to this Ministry's letter No.45/08/2017-FF(P) dated 03.10.2018(copy enclosed) regarding 7% Dearness Relief to be paid to the freedom fighter pensioners w.e.f. 01.07.2018 and to say that recently Dearness Relief in respect of Central Government pensioners has been enhanced by 3% by the Government of India, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions, Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare, New Delhi's O.M. No.42/04/2019-P&PW(D) dated 06.03.2019. Hence the Dearness Relief admissible to the Central Freedom Fighters/spouse/daughter pensioners shall be enhanced from the existing rate of 7% to 10% w.e.f. 01.01.2019. All the banks are requested to calculate the arrears w.e.f. 01.01.2019. The payment of arrears of Dearness Relief shall not be made before the date of disbursement of pension/family pension of March, 2019. The revised amount of pension for various categories of pensioners after increase of 3% DR i.e. total 10% Dearness Relief will be as follows:

SI No.	Category of freedom fighters	Basic amount of pension (per month)	Enhanced amount of pension after adding 10% DR (per month) w.e.f. 01.01.2019
1.	Ex-Andaman Political prisoners/spouses	Rs.30,000/-	Rs.33,000/-
2.	Freedom fighters who suffered outside British India/spouses	Rs.28,000/-	Rs.30,800/-
3.	Other Freedom fighters/ spouses including INA	Rs.26,000/-	Rs.28,600/-
4.	Dependent parents/eligible daughters (maximum 3 daughters at any point of time)	50% of the sum that would have been admissible to the freedom fighters, i.e. in the range of Rs.13,000/- to Rs.15,000/-	50% of the sum that would have been admissible to the freedom fighters, i.e. in the range of Rs.14,300/- to Rs.16,500/-

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- 2. Further, it is also clarified that as per Policy Guidelines dated 06.08.2014, TDS is not applicable in respect of Central Samman Pension.
- 3. This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.

Yours faithfully,

(Meenu Batra)

Deputy Secretary to the Government of India

Tel No.23438062

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- Chief Controller of Accounts, Central Pension Accounting Office (CPAO), Bhikaji Cama Place, Trikoot-II, Behind Hotel Hyatt. Regency, New Delhi-110 066.
- 2. Chief Controller of Accounts (Pension and Misc.), 2/10, Jamnagar House, New Delhi- 110 011.
- 3. 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/UT Administrations.
- CPPCs of all 23 authorized banks (list attached).
- 6. Private Secretary to JS(FFR).
- All Officers and staff of Freedom Fighter Division, Ministry of Home Affairs, NDCC-II Building, Jai Singh Road, New Delhi-110 001.
- PDMC, FFR Division, MHA.
- 9. IT Cell, MHA, North Block for uploading this letter on MHA's website in the Document in Public Domain of FFR Division.

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Deputy Secretary to the Government of India