No 6(1)/2009-D (Pension/Policy)  
Government of India,  
Ministry of Defence  
Department of Ex-Servicemen Welfare  
New Delhi dated 01 June 2010

To

The Chief of Army Staff  
The Chief of Naval Staff  
The Chief of Air Staff

Subject: Revision of Ex-gratia awards in the case of death/disability of Cadets (Direct) due to causes attributable to or aggravated by military training.

Sir,

The undersigned is directed to refer this Ministry's letter No. 1(6)/99/D(Pen-C) dated 11th Feb 2002 amended vide this Ministry's letter dated 15th Sep 2003 and this Ministry's letter even No dated 5th Jul 2001 regarding grant of ex-gratia awards to Cadets (Direct) in the event of their death/disability due to causes attributable to or aggravated by the conditions of military training. In supersession of this Ministry's letters mentioned above, the undersigned is directed to convey the sanction of the President to the payment of ex-gratia benefits mentioned in succeeding paras.

Ex-gratia awards in cases of disablement

2. The following ex-gratia award shall be payable subject to the same conditions as hitherto in force in the event of invalidment of a Cadet (Direct) on medical ground due to causes attributable to or aggravated by military training:

(i) Payment of monthly ex-gratia amount of Rs. 3,500/- per month;

(ii) Payment of ex-gratia disability award @ Rs. 6,300/- per month for 100% disability during the period of disablement. The amount will be reduced proportionately from the ex-gratia disability award in case the degree of disablement is less than 100%;

(iii) Constant Attendance Allowance (CAA) of Rs. 3000/- per month for 100% disability on the recommendations of Invaliding Medical Board.
Ex-gratia awards in cases of Death

3. The following ex-gratia awards shall be payable subject to the same conditions as hitherto in force in the event of death of a Cadet (Direct) due to causes attributable to or aggravated by military training:-

(i) Ex-gratia amount of Rs. 5 lakhs;

(ii) Payment of monthly Ex-gratia amount of Rs. 3,500/- per month to the NOK in addition to (a) above.

4. The awards under these orders are being sanctioned purely on ex-gratia basis and the same shall not be treated as pension for any purpose. However, dearness relief at applicable rates will be granted on monthly ex-gratia as well as on ex-gratia disability award at the rates sanctioned from time to time. No dearness relief will be granted on constant attendance allowance.

5. Other Rules and procedures regarding assessment/re-assessment of disablement and acceptance of death/disability as attributable to or aggravated by conditions of military service/training in cases of Cadets (Direct) shall be the same as for regular Commissioned Officers of the Armed Forces. The procedure for sanction and conditions for grant of ex-gratia awards to the Next of Kin in case of deceased cadets shall also be the same as in cases of casualties of regular commissioned officers due to attributable causes.

6. The ex-gratia disability awards as mentioned in Para 2 and 3 above shall be admissible in cases of invalidation/death of Cadets (Direct) occurring on or after 01.01.2006. The benefit of revised monthly ex-gratia payments as mentioned in Para 2 and Para 3(ii) above, shall be admissible to pre 01.01.2006 cases as well with financial effect with effect from 01.09.2008.

7. This issues with the concurrence of Finance Division of this Ministry of vide their UO No 1331/Fin/Pen dated 11.05.2010.

8. Hindi version will follow.

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]
(Malathi Narayanan)
Under Secretary to the Government of India

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