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No.22D(48)/2006/US(WE)/D(Res)
Govt of India
Ministry of Defence
Department of Ex-Servicemen Welfare

New Delhi, the 07th February, 2012

To

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

CORRIGENDUM

Subject:- Extension of ECHS facilities to Nepal Domiciled Gorkhas
(NDG) ESM Pensioners in Nepal.

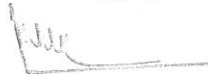
Sir,

With reference to Govt of India, Ministry of Defence letter No. 22D(48)/2006/US(WE)/D(Res) dated 14 Sept, 2010, I am directed to convey the sanction of the Competent Authority to the following amendments :-

Para 4

For

Medical Treatment - Medical treatment will be available in ECHS Polyclinics/Service Hospitals/Civil Empanelled facilities in India only. Emergency treatment in Nepal would not be reimbursable. However emergency treatment in India under existing provisions would be available. All other procedures and policies of ECHS will also apply to NDGs.



Para 10

For

Military Attache Kathmandu - Military Attaché Kathmandu will act as Station Commander and deal with all matters related ECHS except policy issues.

Read

Command and Control of ECHS Polyclinics

(a) **Manpower at Embassy of India**

(i) **Serving** - The following categories of Service personnel will be posted to Embassy of India at Nepal.

(aa) AMA (ECHS) - One officer with at least two years experience at Central Org, ECHS dealing with financial matters and of the rank of Wing Commander (or equivalent) for one tenure to ensure smooth initiation and implementation of the scheme in Nepal. The subsequent manpower will be posted as per the routine procedure of Defence personnel to Nepal.

(ab) 02 clerks

(ii) **Outsourced**

(aa) 02 Clerks

(ab) 02 Multi Tasking Staff

(ac) 02 Drivers

(b) **Vehicles** - For ECHS Cell, Military Wing, Embassy of India

(i) One Light Vehicle

(ii) One Motor Cycle

(c) **Fund Management** - Separate orders will be issued in due course.



Read

Medical Treatment

(a) Medical treatment will be available at Polyclinics in Nepal at upgraded existing MI rooms located at following places :-

- (i) Kathmandu - Type A to Non Mil
- (ii) Pokhra - Type A to Non Mil
- (iii) Dharan - Type B Non Mil

(b) In addition, one Type E Mobile Clinic will be attached to each of the above polyclinics to provide medical facilities during seasonal Pension Paying Camps.

(c) The hospitals empanelled by the Embassy of India would be deemed empanelled i.e. their application for empanelment will be processed directly without any assessment by NABH. For future empanelment of hospitals, the existing procedure as followed in India will be followed.

(d) The existing medical infrastructure including manpower at MI Rooms will continue to work in ECHS Polyclinics and will be augmented to the existing scales. However periodic visits by Medical team of Directorate General, Armed Forces Medical Service (DGAFMS) from Indian will be discontinued when ECHS become fully operational in Nepal.

Para 6

Existing

Contribution - War Widows, battle casualties and pre-1996 retirees are exempted from one time ECHS contribution, for others, the contribution will be as applicable in India in Indian Rupees.

Add

Contribution - All NDG ESM retired prior to 01 June, 2009 will pay the pre-revised rates of contribution as was applicable for the Indian ESM. However, post 01 Jun, 2009 retirees will pay the contribution at the revised rates.



2. This letter issues with the concurrence of Ministry of Defence (Fin) vide their UO No. 375/F/Pen dated 27 Jan, 2012.

Yours faithfully



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Under Secretary to the Govt of India

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