No. 1(13)/2009/D(Pen/Policy)
Government of India
Ministry of Defence
Department of Ex-Servicemen Welfare

Sena Bhavan, New Delhi,
Dated 24th September, 2012

To
The Chief of the Army Staff
The Chief of the Naval Staff
The Chief of the Air Staff

Subject: IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GOVERNMENT DECISION ON THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SIXTH CENTRAL PAY COMMISSION – REVISION OF PENSION OF PRE-1.1.2006 ARMED FORCES PENSIONERS / FAMILY PENSIONERS.

Sir,

The undersigned is directed to refer to Para 5 of this Ministry’s letter No. 17(4)/2008(1)/D(Pen/Policy) dated 11.11.2008 on the above subject matter which prescribes a provision for minimum guaranteed pension / family pension for all pre-2006 Armed Forces pensioners/family pensioners as the revised pension in no case be lower than fifty percent (thirty percent for family pension) of the minimum of the pay in the pay band plus the grade pay corresponding to the pre-revised scale from which the pensioner/deceased Armed Force personnel had retired / discharged/died including Military Service Pay and ‘X’ Group pay where applicable. Consequent to the enhancement of pay structure under Sixth CPC, rates of minimum guaranteed pension/family pension for the rank of Lieutenant Colonel / Lieutenant Colonel (Time Scale) in the Army (other than MNS) and equivalent ranks in Navy & Air Force were revised and notified vide this Ministry’s letter of even No. dated 21.5.2009. A number of references are being received in this Ministry regarding applicability of rates of minimum guaranteed pension/family pension notified vide this Ministry’s letter dated 21.5.2009, to those post-1.1.1996 but pre-1.1.2006 retiree substantive Majors and completed 21 years of commissioned service who were drawing pay scale of Lieutenant Colonel at the time of their retirement in terms of provisions contained in Para 5(a) (iii) and Para 5 (a) (iv) of Special Army Instructions 2/S/1998.

2. The matter has been carefully considered in this Ministry. The undersigned is directed to convey that post-1.1.1996 but pre-1.1.2006 retiree substantive Majors and equivalent ranks in Navy & Air Force and completed 21 years of commissioned service who were drawing pay scale of Lieutenant Colonel or equivalent officers in Navy & Air Force at the time of their retirement in terms of provisions contained in Para 5(a)(iii) and Para 5(a)(iv) of Special Army Instructions 2/S/1998 or corresponding instructions for Navy and Air Force, shall be eligible for minimum guaranteed pension/family pension with reference to Pay band – 4 (i.e. Rs. 37400 – Rs. 67000) with Grade pay of Rs. 8,000/- and MSP of Rs. 6,000/- under this Ministry’s letter dated 21.5.2009 and also under this Ministry’s letter No. 17(4)/2008(1)/D(Pen/Policy)/Vol-V dated 15.2.2011.

3. All other entries remain unchanged.
4. This issues with the concurrence of the Finance Division of this Ministry vide their UO No. 10(1)/2011-Fin/Pen, dated 03.09.2012.

5. Hindi version will follow.

Yours faithfully

(Malathi Narayanan)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

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