

No. 1(13)/2012/ D (Pen/Policy)
Government of India
Ministry of Defence
Department of Ex-Servicemen Welfare
New Delhi,

Dated 17th January 2013

To

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

Subject: - Implementation of Government decision on the recommendations of the Committee of Secretaries 2012 on the issues related to Defence Service Personnel and Ex-Servicemen- Improvement in pension of JCO/OR retired/discharged/invalided out of service prior to 1.1.2006.

Sir,

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Ministry's letter No. PC 10(1)/2009-D (Pen/Policy) dated 8.3.2010 according to which with effect from 1st July 2009, pension of all ranks of pre-1.1.2006 JCO/OR retiree in Army, Navy and Air Force (including DSC and TA) has been reckoned at 50% of notional pay in the post-1.1.2006 revised pay structure corresponding to the maximum of the pay scales applicable from 10.10.1997 of the rank and group continuously held for last 10 months preceding retirement/discharge/invalidment. The amount of pension so determined has to be reduced pro-rata if the reckonable qualifying service including rank weightage (except TA personnel) is less than service required to earn full pension.

2. A Committee of Secretaries headed by Cabinet Secretary was constituted by the Government to consider various issues on pension of Armed Forces personnel and Ex-Servicemen, who have recommended the following to bridge the gap in pension between pre and post-1.1.2006 JCO/OR pensioners-

2.1 The pension of pre-1.1.2006 JCO/OR pensioners may be determined on the basis of notional maximum for the ranks and group across the three Services; and

2.2 Current weightage in qualifying service of Sepoy, Naik and Havildar may be increased by two years.

3. The above recommendations of the Committee has been accepted by the Government and the President is pleased to decide that with effect from 24th September 2012, the service pension, invalid pension, special pension, service element of disability pension and service element of war injury/liberalized disability pension (in release cases only) of all pre-1.1.2006 JCO/OR pensioners of Army, Navy and Air Force (including DSC & TA) shall be recomputed in terms of Para 2 of this Ministry's above said letter dated 8.3.2010 after determining the highest of notional pay in the revised pay structure corresponding to maximum of pay scales of Fifth CPC across the three Services equivalent to the rank and group in which pensioned. Before determining highest of notional pay of equivalent ranks across three Services, 50% of highest classification allowance (rates effective from 1.9.2008) shall also be added in the notional pay of the ranks in Army, wherever applicable.

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