No. 16(02)/2015-D(Pen/Pol)
Government of India
Ministry of Defence
Department of Ex-Servicemen Welfare
New Delhi, Dated 8th August 2016

To,

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

Subject- **Method of Calculation of disability where two types of IDs are involved.**

Sir,

It has been observed during perusal of RMB/IMB proceedings that some Armed Forces Personnel have sustained some disability under category 'B' & 'C' as well as battle casualty under category 'D' & 'E' of Govt. of India, Ministry of Defence letter No. 1(2)/97/D(Pen- C) dated 31st January, 2001 and composite assessment is made for all the disabilities by the Medical Board.

2. The composite assessment of disabilities may be equal to or less than the mathematical sum of percentage of disabilities. Since the calculation method of normal disability and war injury is different and assessment of disabilities including both i.e. normal disability and war injury are assessed as composite, therefore, in absence of clear directions/guidelines, calculation of pension value for disabilities including both types of disabilities is not possible. It is also mentioned that rounding off benefit is presently given only in Invalidment cases attributable to or aggravated by military service and not in discharge cases.

3. Now, the issue has been analyzed in totality and the undersigned is directed to state that the methodology of calculation of pension values in cases where War Injury Element and Disability Element both exist may be carried out as follows. Firstly, the composite assessment for all accepted disabilities shall be derived. The higher element, i.e. War Injury Element (WIE) shall be deducted from the composite assessment and paid in full, irrespective of the percentage of assessment. The remainder shall be calculated as the normal Disability Element (DE). The minimum assessment criterion shall not be applicable in such cases as the net assessment reckonable for WIE and DE together is more than 20%.

(a) **Discharge Cases**- Cases where Armed Forces Personnel are discharged from service on completion of prescribed terms of engagement, the higher element, i.e. the War Injury Element (WIE) Shall be deducted from the composite assessment and paid in full, irrespective of the percentage of assessment. The remainder shall be calculated as normal Disability Element (DE).

(b) **Invalidment Cases**- Cases where Armed Forces Personnel are invalided out on medical ground which is attributable to or aggravated by military service, the composite assessment and war injury element will be rounded off in terms of para 7.2 of GOI. MOD letter No. 1 (2)/97/D(Pen-C) dated 31.01.2001. Further, rounded percentage of War Injury Element (WIE) shall be deducted from the rounded percentage of composite assessment. The remainder shall be calculated as normal Disability Element (DE).
4. The provisions of this letter shall take effect from the date of issue.

5. This issues with the concurrence of Finance Division of this Ministry vide their ID No 10(07)/2016/Fin/Pen dated 01/07/2016

6. Hindi version will follow.

Yours faithfully

(Manoj Sinha)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

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