

**Government of West Bengal  
Finance Department  
Pension Branch**

No. 1042-F (Pen)

Dated, Kolkata, the 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2007

**Memorandum**

At present the amount of family pension at enhanced rates as contemplated in Rule 103 is payable (a) in the event of death of a Government employee while in service, for a period of seven years or upto the date on which the deceased Government employee would have attained the age of 65 years had he survived, whichever period is less and (b) in the event of death after retirement, the family pension at enhanced rates shall be payable upto the date on which the deceased pensioner would have attained the age of 65 years had he survived or for a period of seven years whichever period is less, but in no case the amount of enhanced family pension shall exceed the pension sanctioned to the Government employee at the time of retirement.

Government of West Bengal enhanced the age of retirement from 58 years to 60 years vide its Notification No. 3830-F, dt. 15.5.98. Now, Governor has been pleased, in partial modification of rule 103 of WBS (DCRB) Rule'71 read with Finance Department Memo No. 5225-F dt. 7.6.76, to decide that w.e.f. 15.05.98 the payment of family pension at enhanced rates will be payable for 7 years or till the Government employee/pensioner would have attained the age of 67 years whichever period is less. This will be applicable in cases where Government employee is to retire at the age of 60 years in pursuance of the notification dt. 15.5.98 and not where Government employee has already retired at the age of 58 years or would have retired at the age of 58 years but for his premature demise.

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*Sub : Extension of Period of enhanced rate of family pension*

It is informed that Govt. of West Bengal, in their Finance Deptt. Pension Branch Memo No. 1042-F (Pen) dt. 31-12-2007 have decided that the payment of family pension at enhanced rate will be payable for seven years or till the Govt, employee/pensioner would have attained the age of 67 years, whichever is earlier with effect from 15.5.98. This benefit will be applicable in cases where the Govt, employee retired/ retiring at the age of 60 years in pursuance of Govt. of West Bengal Notifications no. 3830-F dt. 15-5-98. But this benefit is not applicable to those Govt. employees who have already retired at the age of 58 years or would have retired at the age of 58 years but for his pre-mature demise.

All Pension Disbursing Officers are, therefore requested to make necessary' arrangement for payment of family pension at enhanced rate to the above category of family pensioner under intimation to this office.

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