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Joint Secretary.

To: i) The Dy. Accountant General (Pension) Treasury Buildings, Kolkata-700 001.

ii) The Jt. Director of Treasuries & Accounts,New India Assurance Buildings,4 Lyons Range, 2nd & 3rd Floor,Kolkata - 700 001

Sub: Revision of pension/family pension in respect of pensioner family pensioner in non-Govt. colleges.

Ref: 1) Your letter nos.: Pen. Co-ordn/51 /Vol-IV/492. dt. 10.12.09. Pen. Co-ordn/204/Vol-II/51/Vol-IV 417 dt. 10.12.09 and Pen. Co.-ordn/204 Vol.-11/51 Vol. IV 318 dt. 03.09.09.
2) Your letter No. DT/0/132/P-08 1446. dt. 24.09.09.

Sir

With reference to the above I am directed to enclose herewith this department's replies to the queries raised by you in the letters under reference.

Yours faithfully,

Joint Secretary.

Sl. no.	Queries/ clarifications sought for by A.G. (A&E), W.B. & Director of Treasuries & Accounts	Sl. no.	Views & Proposals of the Department
i)	The Memo No. 622-Edn(C.S) dt. 12.10.09 will be applicable only in cases	i)	Yes
	of those teaching staff including Graduate Laboratory Instructors.		

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	Librarian and Physical Instructors of State aided Non-Govt. Colleges who retired/ retiring on and after 01.01.2006 and whose pay has been fixed under GO. No. 533-Edn (CS), dated 28.8.2009 read with corrigendum issued under No. 609-Edn(CS) dated 24.9.2009 and GO. No. 534-Edn (CS) dated 28.8.2009.		
ii)	The Memo No 622-Edn(C.S) dt. 12.10.09 remains silent about the payment of dearness relief to the pensioners/family pensioners coming under the purview of it. Besides, the Memo No. 443-Edn(C.S.) dated 23.7.2009 is not specific in this regard. However, it is presumed that the revised rates of dearness relief as sanctioned in the aforesaid Memo dated 23.07.2009 will also be admissible to them.	ii)	This Deptt.'s Memo No. 443-Edn (CS). dated 23.7.09 meant for Dearness Relief to the pensioners/ family pensioners of non-Govt. colleges. College Service Commission and Day Students Homes is found defective to some extent. A fresh GO. No. 63-Edn (C.S) dt. 29.01.10 incorporating the dearness relief @ 6% with effect from 01.12.09 has been issued.
ii)	It has been stated in both the GO. Nos. 533-Edn(CS) and 534-Edn (CS), all dated 28.8.2009 that the modalities of payment of arrears of pay for the period prior to 01.04.2009 would be considered separately and notified in due course. We are not aw are whether any notification in the matter has already been issued. However, as there is no such restrictive clause in the Memo under reference, it is presumed that the arrears of pensionary benefits payable w.e.f. 01.01.2008 to such pensioners/family pensioners after revision of their pension/family pension in terms of the Memo under reference will be paid in lump in spite of the fact that the modalities relating to payment of arrears of their pay for the period from 01.04.2008 to 31.3.2009 has not yet been decided upon.	iii)	A.GO. regarding payment of 20% of arrears consequent upon revision as per 533-Edn (CS) dt. 28.8.09 has been issued vide this Deptt.'s GO. No. 859-Edn (CS) dt. 30.12.09:

iv) The above category of pensioners/ iv) Medical Relief @ Rs. 300/-p.m. has not family pensioners will also be entitled to been mentioned in the GO. No. 622medical relief @ Rs. 300/- p.m. w.e.f. Edn(CS). dated 12.10.09 meant for post 01.4.2009 as sanctioned for the pre 01.01.06 pensioners/family pensioners 01.01.2006 pensioners/family in respect of teaching staff and pensioners in Memo No. 561- Edn(CS), equivalent category. dated 09.09.2009. Pending with Finance Department, expected to be resolved shortly. v) Incidentally, I would like to refer to para v) Modalities for determination of the age 4.4.of Memo No. 553-Edn (CS), dated of the family pensioner for payment of 09.9.2009 wherein previsions have been additional family pension as per para made for payment of additional 4.4 of this Deptt.s Memo No. 561-Edn pension/family pension to the old (CS), dated 09.09.09 may be identical to pensioners/family pensioners and to the provision adopted in Memo No. 460inform you that additional pension to F(Pen). dated 20.05.09 issued by the pensioners can well be paid by the Finance Deptt. The provision made Pension Disbursing Officers on the basis under para 4.3 may be implemented as of date of birth of the pensioner already per concordance table. noted in the P.P.O. But all most in all Pending with Finance Department, cases, the date of birth of the family expected to be resolved shortly. pensioner is not recorded in the PPOs issued from this office as it has got not significance for payment of family pension as per earlier provisions. As such, provisions devising modalities for determination of the age of the family pensioner for payment of additional family pension by the Pension Disbursing Officer in terms of para 4.4. of Memo ibid in cases where PPO has already been issued may kindly be made. In this respect 1 would suggest to consider the desirability of adopting the modalities for determination of the age of the family pensioner for payment of additional family pension by the Pension Disbursing Officer in terms of para 4.4. of Memo ibid in cases where PPO has already been issued may kindly

be made. In this respect 1 would suggest to consider the desirability of adopting

	the modalities as decided for the purpose by the Finance Deptt. Govt of West Bengal in Memo No. 460-F(Pen), dated 20.05.2009. Besides, 1 would request you to let this office know how the provisions made under para 4.3 of Memo ibid will be implemented.		
vi)	Apart form the above, I would like to refer to your Memo No. 446-Edn (CS), dated 27.7.2009 regarding ad-hoc pension/ family pension to the teaching and equivalent pensioners/ family pensioners of Non-Govt. colleges and request you to clarify whether dearness pension as well as dearness relief will as well as payable on such enhanced amount of pension/family pensions. However, pending receipt Of the clarification in the matter form your end, circular is being issued to the concerned Pension Disbursing Officers instructing to enhance the pension/family pension of such category of - pensioner/family pensioner in terms of the Memo No. 446-Edn (CS), dated 27.7.2009 on interim basis and not to consider the enhanced amount for calculation of dearness pension as well as dearness relief payable on pension/family pension.	vi)	Yes, dearness pension as well as dearness relief will as well be payable on such enhanced amount of pension/family pension.
vii)	The Memo No. 442-Edn. (C.S) dt. 23.07.09 is silent about the amount of minimum pension/family pension admissible after revision as well as date of effect of revised rates of pension/family pension admissible in terms of the Memo. The omission may be rectified.	vii)	Pending with Finance Department, expected to be resolved shortly.
viii)	In this connection I would also like to	viii)	A fresh G O. No. 63-Edn (C.S) dt.

A	refer to your memo no. 443-Edn (C.S) dt. 23.07.09 granting revised rates of dearness relief with effect from 01.04.08. Although the introductory part of the Memo. States about the post 01.01.06. the explanatory part of the Memo. States about the pre- 01.01.06 as well. As such, presuming that the Memo. Is applicable to both pre and post 2006 pensioners/family pensioners a circular instructing all concerned Pension Disbursing Officers to make payment of revised rates of dearness relief in terms of the above Memo, to the pre-2006 pensioners/ family pensioners on their pension/ family pension consolidated in terms of the Memo. No. 441-Edn (C.S) dt. 23.07.09 has been issued. The action taken by our office may kindly be confirmed.	A	29.01.10 incorporating the dearness relief a 6% with effect from 01.12.09 has been issued.
viii)	It has been stated in para 7 of the Memo No. 441-Edn(C.S) dt. 23.07.09 that a table indicating the existing pension/family pension and consolidated pension, family pension is enclosed at Annexure-1 to the Memo for ready reference. But actually no table as such is found in Annexure-1. Instead, the Form of intimation regarding consolidated of pension required to be sent to P.PO. issuing authority by the Pension Disbursing Authority is found to have been attached. The omission requires reel ill cat ion.	viii)	Necessary action has already be taken vide this Deptt.s G.O. No. 579(2)-Edn (CS), dt. 16.09.09
ix)	Although there is no existence of Para 4.5 in the Memo No. 441-Edn (C.S) dt. 23.07.09. it has been stated in Para 9 that the Consolidated pension/family pension as worked out in accordance with para 4.1 to 4.5 shall be treated as final Basie Pension w.e.f 01.04.2008 and	ix)	Pending with Finance Department, expected to be resolved shortly.

	shall qualify for grant of relief on pension sanctioned thereafter. The fact may be checked and necessary corrigendum may be issued. Simultaneously, separate order granting revised rated of relief payable on the consolidated pension/family pension is required to be issued.		
x)	In terms of the para 4.3 of the Memo No. 441 Edn(C.S) dt. 23.07.09 additional quantum of pension/family pension will be payable to the old pensioner/family pensioner beyond 80 years. The additional pension can easily be paid by the Pension Disbursing Authority on the basis of the noting of the date of birth of the pensioner in the P.P.O. But it is not clear how the age of family pensioner's will be determined for payment of additional family pension in terms of para 4.3 of Memo ibid, as in most of such cases, the age of the family pensioner is not available either in the P.P.O. or in the Office of the P.P.O. issuing authority. In this connection I would request you to consider the feasibility of adopting the modalities decided by the Finance Deptt. for this purpose under their Memo No. 460-F (Pen), dated 20.5.09	x)	Please see Sl. No. (v).
xi)	It reveals from the said order No. 561 -Edn(CS)/1P-20/98 dated 09.9.09 that though the amount of maximum pension has been mentioned, the amount of revised minimum pension has not been mentioned therein. The amount of minimum family pension may kindly be informed. In this context, 1 like to draw your kind attention to the fact that in ROPA 98 minimum pension of the employees of	xi)	Pending with Finance Department, expected to be resolved shortly

the aforesaid categories was fixed at Rs. 1300/- vide order No. 1311-Edn(CS)/1P-20/98, dated 08.10.1999. On actual calculation of such minimum pension of Rs. 1300/0 in respect of the Pensioners/ Family Pensioners, the consolidated figure of such pension in terms of ROPA, 2009 comes to Rs. 2,938/-. Now a question arises whether such consolidated amount will be stepped up to Rs. 10,800/- as per ceiling mentioned in Para-4.1 of the order No. 561-Edn(CS) 1P-20/98. dated 09.9.2009.