

**GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
FINANCE DEPARTMENT
AUDIT BRANCH**

No. 4652-F

Calcutta, the 18th June, 2007.

MEMORANDUM

A question has been raised from different quarters as to what will be the quantum of dearness allowance admissible to a Government employee placed under suspension in terms of rule 71 of the WBSR-I and whether merger of 50% of the subsistence allowance paid to the employee under suspension will be done for computing the amount of dearness allowance with effect from 1st April, 2007 on the analogy of F. D. Memo No. 2415-F dated 27.3.07 read with No. 2416-F dated 27.3.07.

After careful consideration of the matter, the undersigned is directed by order of the Governor to say that since subsistence allowance will be equal to the leave salary which the Government employee would have drawn if he had been on half-Pay, the rate of dearness allowance will be on such amount of subsistence allowance & if the subsistence allowance is increased or decreased, as the case may be, under clauses (i) or (ii) of sub-rule (1) of rule 71 of the WBSR- I, the rate of dearness allowance will be based on the increased or decreased amount of such subsistence allowance.

The undersigned is further directed to say that with effect from 1st April, 2007, for the purpose of computing dearness allowance on the amount of subsistence allowance admissible to a Government employee under suspension, 50% of the amount of subsistence allowance will be merged with the admissible subsistence allowance and dearness allowance will be paid at the rate as admissible under F. D. Memo. No. 2416-F dated 27.3.07 taking into account the amount of subsistence allowance and 50% of the said amount taken together.

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