

Government of West Bengal
Finance Department
Audit Branch

No.10640-F(P)

Kolkata, the 27th November, 2009.

M E M O R A N D U M

**Subject: Winter Allowance / Hill Compensatory Allowance and Winter Relief/
Hill Compensatory Relief**

The Fifth Pay Commission has submitted its report on various allowances. After careful consideration of the recommendations of the Commission, the Governor has been pleased to make the following order:-

(1) **Winter Allowance**

All whole time Government and also Non-Govt. employees who are covered under the Resolution No. 6021-F dated 28th August, 2008 and posted in the hill Sub-Divisions of Darjeeling District i.e Kurseong, Kalimpong and Darjeeling Sub-divisions, shall draw Winter Allowance at the uniform rate of Rs. 2500/- (Rupees two thousand five hundred) only per annum.

(2) **Hill Compensatory Allowance**

All whole time Government and also Non-Govt. employees who are covered under the Resolution No. 6021-F dated 28th August, 2008 and posted in the hill Sub-Divisions of Darjeeling District i.e Kurseong, Kalimpong and Darjeeling Sub-Divisions, shall draw Hill Compensatory Allowance at the rate of 15% of the revised basic pay (being the sum total of pay in the pay band plus grade pay) subject to a maximum limit of Rs.1500/- (Rupees one thousand five hundred) only per month.

(3) **Winter Relief**

All State Government pensioners and pensioners of the Government Aided Educational Institutions, Panchayat Bodies and Municipalities permanently residing in the hill Sub-Divisions of Darjeeling District i.e Kurseong, Kalimpong and Darjeeling Sub-Divisions, shall be allowed Winter Relief at the uniform rate of Rs. 1250/- (Rupees one thousand two hundred fifty) only per annum.

(4) **Hill Compensatory Relief**

All State Government pensioners and pensioners of the Government Aided Educational Institutions, Panchayat Bodies and Municipalities permanently residing in the hill Sub-Divisions of Darjeeling District i.e Kurseong, Kalimpong and Darjeeling Sub-divisions, shall be allowed Hill Compensatory Relief at the rate of 15% of the revised basic pension subject to a maximum limit of Rs.750/- (Rupees seven five hundred) only per month.

2. Further, the benefits of Winter Relief and Hill Compensatory Relief will be admissible subject to the following conditions:-

(i) In respect of pensioners who are employed /re-employed in Government / Semi-Government Body / Organization / Institution etc. and are in receipt of Winter Allowance and Hill Compensatory Allowance shall not get Winter Relief and Hill Compensatory Relief during the period of such employment /re-employment.

(ii) Pensioners who are in receipt of more than one pension, Winter Relief shall be admissible on one pension only and Hill Compensatory Relief shall be admissible on the total of such pensions.

(iii) The charge on these benefits shall be debitable from the pensioner's pension and other retirement benefits' head.

(iv) This benefit shall not be admissible in case of pensioners governed under the All India Service Rules.

3 This order will take effect from the 1st September, 2009.

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