GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL FINANCE DEPARTMENT PENSION BRANCH

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MEMORANDUM

Sub: Authorization of the payment of pension etc. in cases where last pay etc. is found, on scrutiny, to be in excess due to wrong fixation of pay etc.

Consequent upon issue of Memo No. 335-F, (Pen), dt. 7.3.2001, this Department has started receiving as well as scrutinising pension cases in respect of employees who are due to retire on superannuation from 31st May, 2002 on wards.

- 2. Scrutiny of the pension cases reveals wrong fixation of pay, in some cases, either under various WBS (ROPA) Rules or C.A. Scheme or relevant rules/orders governing fixation of pay involving overdrawal of pay and allowances which are required to be recovered from the concerned Govt. employee out of gratuity before pension is authorized by the office of the Principal Accountant-General (A & E), West Bengal.
- 3. Accordingly, concerned Head of Office is required to rectify the wrong fixation of pay and to ascertain the amount of overdrawal involved.
- It is apprehended that this process may take sometime leading to delay in settlement of pensionary benefit.
- 4. In consideration of the circumstances as stated above and also to ensure timely payment of pension, the Government has been pleased to decide that the following steps may be taken:
 - i) Pension as well as commuted value of pension, where applied for, may be authorized by the office to the Principal Accountant-General (A&E), West Bengal on the basis of pay as corrected and checked and verified by this Department in Annexure-I of Memo No. 335-F, (Pen.) dt. 7.3.2001. No Gratuity will be authorized.
 - ii) On receipt back of the pension case the Head of Office will proceed to rectify the wrong fixation of pay etc. and ascertain the amount of overdrawal involved for adjustment of the same against gratuity and will resend the case to the office of the Principal Accountant-General (A&E) West Bengal for authorization of gratuity.
 - iii) Thereafter, office of the Principal Accountant-General (A&E), West Bengal will issue authority for payment of gratuity after adjustment of the overdrawal amount. If the entire overdrawal amount could not be adjusted against the gratuity the excess amount of overdrawal may be adjusted against relief on pension sanctioned to the pensioner and a direction will be sent to the Pension Disbursing Authority by the Principal Accountant-General, (A&E), West Bengal.

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