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Office Memorandum

Sub:-Implementation of Government's decision on the recommendations of the 6th Central Pay Commission-Revision of Pension of pre-2006 pensioners/ family pensioners etc.

Attention is invited to Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare's instructions issued from time to time on the subject mentioned above. In this connection, reference may be made to their O.M. No. 38/37/ 08-P&PW(A) dated 21-5-2009. <u>Pay & Accounts Offices are now required to take up all cases of revision of pension and issue authorities, irrespective of whether Annexure III has been received or not from the concerned pension disbursing banks.</u>

2. It has, however, come to the notice of this office that the pension records in the PAO in respect of pre-2006 cases may not be complete as certain events (including the types listed below) may have occurred after the original PPO was issued but PAO's records may not have been updated, for some reason or the other, making it difficult for the PAO to take up, *suo-moto*, revision in all cases:

- (i) Disbursing banks / branches may have been changed by pensioner/family pensioner
- Pension may have changed into family pension due to death of pensioner
- (iii) Title to family pension may have been transferred to another person due to death etc. of family pensioner
- Pension/ family pension etc. may have been discontinued in the absence of any other eligible beneficiary

3. Such practical difficulties likely to be faced in the PAOs due to non-availability of some vital information in some cases, has been considered in this office in consultation with CPAO. In order to avoid any further delay in settlement of revision cases due to lack of the updated details with the PAOs, Central Pension Accounting Office (CPAO) has now written to all Pension Disbursing Banks to electronically send to the designated Nodal Officer of each Ministry/ Department, consolidated information in respect of all pensioners/ family pensioners drawing pension/ family pension from their bank. CPAO's O.M. No. CPAO/Tech/Nodal Officers/Min/2009/304 dated 22-9-2009 also available on CPAO's website under 'Guidelines to Banks' refers in this connection. Further, the master data in respect of all pensioners whose pension payment orders had been routed through CPAO, has also been made available by CPAO along with the original bank particulars on a web portal which has been conveyed from CPAO to all CCAs/CAs through e-mail on 14-8-2009.

All Nodal Officers, on receipt of the consolidated information mentioned in the para above from banks, will immediately forward this information to the concerned PAOs who will, then, initiate the process of pension revision, as per their own records/pension files, duly updated wherever necessary, from the information flowing from the banks. In case date of birth of the family pensioner or any other required information, is not available in PAOs records including also in the consolidated information from banks, PAO will call for the same, from the concerned Head of Office and finalise the case. PAO will have to indicate in the revision authority reference no. under which the date of birth of the family pensioner has been intimated to him by the DDO/HOO.

5. It may also be noted that it will be for the Pension disbursing banks to then disburse pension/family pension at revised rates as authorised by PAO, after adjusting payments, if any, already made by them.

6. Keeping in view the need to speed up the issue of revision authorities in respect of pre-2006 cases, all Pr. CCAs/ CCAs/ CCAs need to immediately review with their Nodal Officers, the status of receipt of the consolidated information from banks with reference to CPAO's O.M. dated 22-9-2009 mentioned in para (3) above. It may also be ensured that the Nodal Officers pursue with the concerned banks and get the required information expedited, under intimation to CPAO.

An effective mechanism for monitoring progress of revision of pre-2006 cases may be ensured by all Pr. CCAs/ CCAs/ CAs. Progress report on the settlement of revision cases, will need to be sent to this office periodically, the proforma for which will be forwarded separately.

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Copy to: - CC (P), CPAO for information and also with the request to ensure necessary instructions on para (5) above.