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No. Fin (Pen) B (10)-6/98-IV
Government of Himachal Pradesh
Finance (Pension) Department

Shimla-171002,

the

7th March, 2020

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject.—Grant of Dearness Relief to Himachal Pradesh Government Pensioners/Family Pensioners-Revised rate effective from 01-07-2019.

1. The undersigned is directed to refer to this department's O.M. No. Fin (Pen)B(10)-6/98-IV dated 21st August, 2019 sanctioning one instalment of dearness relief with effect from 01-01-2019 and to say that the Governor, Himachal Pradesh is pleased to enhance the dearness relief payable to the Himachal Pradesh Government Pensioners/Family Pensioners from existing rate of 148 % to 153 % *w.e.f.* 01-07-2019. The Governor, Himachal Pradesh is further pleased to enhance the dearness relief payable to the pensioners/family pensioners of All India Services of Himachal Pradesh Cadre who are drawing their revised pension on the basis of 7th Central Pay Commission report, from the present rate of 12% to 17% *w.e.f.* 01-07-2019.

2. Payment of Dearness relief involving a fraction of a rupee shall be rounded off to the nearest rupee.

3. Other provisions governing grant of dearness relief to pensioners such as regulation of dearness relief during employment/re-employment, regulation of dearness relief where more than one pension is drawn etc. will remain unchanged.

4. As dearness relief will now be at a uniform rate, it has been decided to dispense with the issue of enclosing ready reckoner alongwith the dearness relief orders. It will be the responsibility of the Pension Disbursing Authority (PDA), including the Nationalized Banks, etc. to calculate the quantum of dearness relief payable in each individual case.

5. The additional dearness relief enhanced from 148% to 153% and 12% to 17% shall be paid with the pension/family pension for the month of March, 2020 payable in the month of April, 2020. The arrears accrued on account of grant of dearness relief *w.e.f.* 01-07-2019 to 29-02-2020 may be paid in one installment in the month of March, 2020.

6. The Accountant General, Treasury Officers and authorized Public Sector Banks are requested to arrange the payment of Dearness Relief to pensioners on the basis of these orders.

By order,

(Prabodh Saxena, IAS)
Principal Secretary (Finance) to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh.