GOVERNMENT OF INDIA (BHARAT SARKAR)  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (RAIL MANTRALAYA)  
(RAILWAY BOARD)  

No. F(E)III/2008/PN1/12 New Delhi, dated: 02.02.2010.

The General Managers/FA&CAOs, 
All Indian Railways/Production Units.  
(As per mailing list)

Subject: Revision of pension of pre-1996 and pre-2006 retirees with reference to corresponding pay scales.  

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It has come to the notice of this office that some of the Zonal Railways, while revising pension/family pension of pre-1996 and pre-2006 retirees w.e.f. 01.01.2006, have incorrectly indicated the corresponding Vth CPC scale of pay and Vth CPC pay band & grade pay in the revised PPOs, particularly in the case of pre-revised IVth CPC pay scale of Rs. 1400-2300. In this regard, it is reaffirmed that the scale of pay/pay band (Grade Pay) corresponding to IVth CPC pay scale of Rs. 1400-2300 in Vth CPC and Vth CPC is Rs. 4500-7000 and Rs. 5200-20200 (GP - Rs. 2800) respectively, as has also been indicated in S.No.9 of Annexure-I of Department of Pension and Pensioners' Welfare (DOP&PW)'s O.M. dated 14.10.2008, circulated on the Railways vide this office letter of even number dated 18.11.2008.

2. In terms of DOP&PW's O.M. dated 11.5.2001, adopted on the Railways vide this Ministry's letter No.F(E)III/99/PN1/20 dated 20.08.2001, pension/family pension of all pensioners irrespective of their date of retirement shall not be less than 50%/30% of the minimum of the corresponding scale as on 01.01.1996 of the scale of pay held by the pensioners at the time of retirement/death while in service. These instructions have been upheld by the Supreme Court, vide their judgement dated 23.11.2006, in the case of K. S. Krishnaswamy Vs. 'UOI, and this position has been brought to the notice of Zonal Railways etc., vide this office letter No. F(E)III/2004/PN1/34 dated 11.01.2007.

3. The corresponding IVth CPC, Vth CPC scales of pay and Vth CPC scales of pay/pay band & grade pay have been reiterated by the DOP&PW in their O.M. dated 14.10.2008 as subsequently modified vide O.M. dated 20.08.2009, circulated vide this office letters of even number dated 18.11.2008 and 27.08.2009, for the purpose of revision of pension and family pension of pre-1996 and pre-2006 retirees. The Zonal Railways etc., are, therefore, advised to strictly adhere to the instructions issued by DOP&PW and adopted by this Ministry, while revising pension/family
pension of pre-1996 and pre-2006 retirees w.e.f. 01.01.2006. All cases in which either pension/family pension has been revised or the revised PPOs have been issued indicating Vth CPC scale of pay and VIth CPC Pay Band/Grade Pay, otherwise than in accordance with DOP&PW’s instructions, may be reviewed and revised PPOs issued at the earliest.

4. A compliance report may be furnished to this office positively within two months.

5. Please acknowledge receipt.

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