



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

KSRs PART III—AMENDMENT TO RULE 113 AND RULE 5 (iii) OF PENSION
COMMUTATION RULES—MODIFICATION—ORDERS ISSUED

FINANCE (PENSION-B) DEPARTMENT

G. O. (P) No. 524/2007/Fin. Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 26th October 2007.

- Read:*—1. D.O. No. P-01/G-1/300, dated 25-6-2007 from the Accountant General (A & E), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.
2. Letter No. 34/1/2007-P & PW (G), dated 24-4-2007.
3. Letter No. P/G1/6-44/07-08/299 dated 22-6-2007 from the Accountant General (A & E), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.

ORDER

As per the existing provisions of Rule 113 of Part III KSRs, pension cases of gazetted officers are to be initially processed by the office of the Accountant General (A & E), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram and a report of eligibility is to be sent to the PSA concerned along with one copy of pension book and only after receipt of formal sanction, pensionary benefits are to be released.

2. In the letter read as 1st paper above, Accountant General (A & E), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram has suggested certain modifications pertaining to the existing provision under Rule 113 and Pension Commutation Rules in rule 5 (2) of Part A and in rule 5 (iii) of Part C of Appendix X of Part III KSRs, in order to avoid the inordinate delay in authorization of pension and pensionary benefits in respect of gazetted officers.

3. In the letter read as 2nd paper above, the Department of Pension and Pensioners' Welfare, Government of India have informed that with a view to simplifying the procedure for payment of pension for pensioners, the date of restoration of commuted portion of pension is also included in the PPO issued by respective Administrative Ministry/Department, which would enable the banks to restore the full pension on the date which has been indicated in the PPO.

4. Government have examined the matter in detail and are pleased to order in partial modification to Rule 113 Part III KSRs that it is mandatory for the gazetted officers to submit the application for pension to the Accountant General through the Pension Sanctioning Authority. This should be done one year ahead of the date of superannuation. While forwarding the application to the Accountant General, the Pension Sanctioning Authority shall invariably fill up all columns in page No. 11 under the caption "Remarks of the Receiving Authority". In cases where departmental/judicial proceedings are pending against the retiring Government servant, that fact will also be entered under the "Remarks of Receiving Authority" and in such cases Accountant General will release only provisional pension. For eliminating one stage in the processing of pension cases of gazetted officers, an omnibus sanction as indicated below should also be accorded in page 12 of the pension book by the Pension Sanctioning Authority.

"Sanction is accorded for payment of pensionary benefits as found admissible by the Accountant General".

5. Vide Rule 5 (2) of Part A Pension Commutation Rules and Rule 5 (iii) of Part C Procedure for Commutation of Pension without Medical Examination (Appendix X of Part III KSRs), it is provided that "the date of effect for the reduction in pension shall be the first of the month in which the Commuted Value is drawn by the pensioner or the first of the fourth month of issue of authorization by the Accountant General, including the month of issue of authorization whichever is earlier". In modification of these provisions, it is hereby ordered that the date of effect of reduction of pension shall be from the 1st of the month following the month in which the commuted value is drawn by the pensioner.

6. Government also hereby authorize the treasury/bank to restore the commuted portion of pension without further application or sanction. For this, the Accountant General may indicate in the Pension Payment Order and Commutation Payment Order issued to the retiring employees, the period in years after which the commuted portion can be restored. In such cases, the pension disbursing authority can restore the pension without further application from the pensioner or sanction by the Accountant General.

7. This order will take effect immediately.

8. Formal amendment to relevant rules in KSRs, Part III will be issued separately.

By order of the Governor,
ASHWINI KUMAR RAI,
Secretary (Finance-Expenditure).

To

- The Principal Accountant General (Audit), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.
The Accountant General (A & E), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.
All Heads of Departments and Offices/All Departments (All sections) of the Secretariat.
The Secretary, Kerala Public Service Commission, Thiruvananthapuram (with C. L.).
The Registrar, University of Kerala/Cochin/Calicut (with C. L.).
The Secretary, Kerala State Electricity Board (with C.L.).
The General Manager, Kerala State Road Transport Corporation, Thiruvananthapuram (with C. L.).
The NORKA Department.
All Secretaries/Additional Secretaries/Joint Secretaries/Deputy Secretaries/ Under Secretaries to Government.
The Secretary to Governor.
The Private Secretaries to Chief Ministe. and other Ministers.
The Private Secretaries to the Leader of Opposition and Government Chief Whip.
The Private Secretary to the Hon'ble Speaker.
The Director of Public Relations, Thiruvananthapuram.
Additional Secretary to the Chief Secretary.
The Director of Treasuries, Thiruvananthapuram.
The District Treasuries/Sub Treasuries.
The General Administration (SC) Department.
The Public Relations Department.
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