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सा॰/No. : 5-1(352)/2016-PD

प्रेषक / From:

संयुक्त सचिव (प्रशासन) Joint Secretary (Admn.)

सेवा में / To:

The Directors / Heads of all National Labs. / Instts. of CSIR Hgrs./Complex/Centres/Units

महोदय/Sir / महोदया/Madam,

मुझे भारत सरकार के निम्नलिखित कार्यालय ज्ञापन को आपकी जानकारी, मार्गदर्शन और अनुपालन के लिए अग्रेषित करने का निदेश हुआ है।

I am directed to forward herewith the following Office Memoranda for information, guidance and compliance.

क्रम सं. Sl. No.	कार्यालय ज्ञापन सं. / Office Memorandum No.	विषय / Subject
1	MoPPG&P, DoP&PW OM No. 3/2/2017-P&PW(F)(i) Dated 07.03.2017	
2	MoPPG&P, DoP&PW OM No. 3/2/2017-P&PW(F)(ii) Dated 07.03.2017	Amendment to the provisions of General Provident Fund (Central Service) Rules 1960-liberalization of provisions for withdrawals from the Fund by the subscribers –reg
3	MoPPG&P, DoP&PW OM No. 3/3/2016-P&PW(F) Dated 16.01.2017	

भवदीय/Yours faithfully

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(विनोद कुमार/ Vinod Kumar) अवर सचिव (नीति प्रभाग)/ US(PD)

संलग्न/Encl. : यथोपरि/As above प्रतिलिपि/Copy to:

Head, IT Division with the request to make this OM available on the website & Policy Repository.

2) कार्यालय प्रति/Office copy.

# No 3/3/2016-P&PW (F) Ministry of Personnel, PG & Pensions Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare Desk-F

3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Lok Nayak Bhavan, Khan Market, New Delhi-110003 Dated 16<sup>th</sup> January 2017.

## OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:

Clarification regarding timely payment of GPF final payment to the retiring Government servant – regarding

During review meetings held to evaluate the status of implementation of Bhavishya with Ministries/Departments, it was observed that GPF final payment in many cases is not being paid to the retiring Government servants immediately on retirement from service leading to payment of interest for the delayed period.

- 2. Rule 34 of General Provident Fund (Central Service) Rules clearly provides that when the amount standing at the credit of a subscriber in the General Provident Fund becomes payable, it shall be the duty of the Accounts Officer to make payment. The authority for the amount payable is to be issued at least a month before the date of superannuation, but payable on the date of superannuation. It may be noted that the requirement of submitting a written application by the retiring Govt. servant for GPF final payment has been dispensed with vide this Department's Notification No. 20(12)/94-P&PW (E) dated 15.11.1996 and notified under S.O No.3228 dated 23.11.1996.
- 3. As per Rule 11(4) of GPF Rules, in case the GPF balance is not paid on retirement, interest on the GPF balance is required to be paid for the period beyond the date of retirement also. While interest for the first six months beyond retirement can be allowed by the PAO in the normal course, approval of Head of the accounts office is required for payment of interest beyond six months and that of Controller of Account/Financial Adviser beyond a period of one year
- 4. To ensure timely final payment of GPF, and to avoid unnecessary financial burden on account of interest beyond retirement, it has now been decided that every case, in which payment of interest on General Provident Fund becomes necessary in terms of Rules 11(4) of GPF Rules, 1960, shall be put up for consideration to the Secretary of the Administrative Ministry/Department. In all such cases the Secretary of the Administrative Ministry/Department will fix responsibility at all levels to take appropriate action against the Government servant or servants who are found responsible for the delay in the payment of General Provident Fund.
- 5. This issues with the concurrence of the Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure, vide their ID NO.187/E.V/2016 dated 27<sup>th</sup> September 2016.
- Hindi version will follow.

(Seema Gupta) Director

To.

- 1. All Ministries/Departments ( As per Standard Mailing list)
- 2. President Secretariat
- 3. UPSC
- 4. Office of C&AG, DDU Marg, New Delhi.

# No 3/2/2017-P&PW (F)(i) Ministry of Personnel, PG & Pensions Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare Desk-F

3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Lok Nayak Bhavan, Khan Market, New Delhi-110003 Dated 7<sup>th</sup> March, 2017.

## OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:

Amendment to the provisions of General Provident Fund (Central Service)Rules 1960- liberalization of provisions for drawal of advance from the Fund by the subscribers – regarding.

The General Provident Fund (Central Service)Rules came into force in 1960. Rule 12 of the said rules provide for drawal of advance by the subscribers, to be sanctioned by the competent authority for reasons indicated in the Rules. Some amendments have been made from time to time to address the concerns raised by the subscribers. However, the provisions, largely remain restrictive. There is a felt need to liberalize provisions, raise limits and simplify the procedure.

- 2. The provisions in the rules have now been reviewed and it has been decided to permit the subscriber to prefer an advance from General Provident Fund (Central Service) Rules 1960 for the following purposes:
  - (i) Illness of self, family members or dependents,
  - (ii) Education of family members or dependent of the subscriber. Education will include primary, secondary and higher education, covering all streams and educational institutions,
  - (iii) Obligatory Expenses viz. betrothal, marriage, funerals, or other ceremonies,
  - (iv) Cost of Legal proceedings,
  - (v) Cost of defence,
  - (vi) Purchase of consumer durables,
  - (vii) Pilgrimage and visiting places of eminence. This will include any travel and tourism related activities.
- 3. It has been decided to enhance the limit of advance upto 12 months of pay or three-fourth of the amount at credit, whichever is less. Amount of advance will be recoverable in a maximum of 60 installments. The advance may be sanctioned by the declared Head of Office.
- 4. The declared Head of Department is competent to sanction an advance from the fund for reasons not covered above.
- 5 Maximum time limit of fifteen days is being prescribed for sanction and payment of an advance from the Fund. In case of emergencies like illness etc., the time limit maybe restricted to seven days.

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- 6. In all the above cases of advance, no documentary proof is required to be furnished by the subscriber. A simple declaration by the subscriber explaining the reasons for advance would be sufficient.
- 7. Necessary amendment to the GPF(Central Service)Rules 1960, giving effect to the above provisions will be issued in due course.
- 8. In so far as persons serving in Indian Audit and Accounts Department are concerned, these orders issue in consultation with the Comptroller and Auditor General of India.
- 9. This issues with approval of Department of Expenditure, vide their ID No. 4(1)/E-V/2017 dated 28.02.2017.
- 10. Hindi version of this OM will follow

Shoudhuy (Sujasha Choudhuy) Director

To,

1. All Ministries/Departments ( As per Standard Mailing list)

2. Office of C&AG, DDU Marg, New Delhi.

3. Copy to NIC Cell for uploading on the website of the Department.

# No 3/2/2017-P&PW (F)(ii) Ministry of Personnel, PG & Pensions Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare Desk-F

3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Lok Nayak Bhavan, Khan Market, New Delhi-110003 Dated the 7<sup>th</sup> March, 2017.

### OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:

Amendment to the provisions of General Provident Fund (Central Service)Rules 1960- liberalization of provisions for withdrawals from the Fund by the subscribers – regarding.

The General Provident Fund (Central Service)Rules came into force in 1960 and Rule 15 of the said rules provide for withdrawals by the subscribers. Some amendments have been made from time to time to address the concerns raised by the subscribers. However, the provisions, largely remain restrictive. There is a felt need to liberalize provisions, raise limits and simplify the procedure.

- 2. The provisions in the rules have been reviewed and it has now been decided to permit withdrawals from the fund by the subscriber for the following purposes:
  - Education This will include primary, secondary and higher education, covering all streams and institutions,
  - (ii) Obligatory Expenses viz. betrothal, marriage, funerals, or other ceremonies of self or family members and dependants,
  - (iii) Illness of self, family members or dependants,
  - (iv) Purchase of consumer durables.
- 3. It has been decided to permit withdrawal of upto twelve months pay or three-fourth of the amount standing at credit, whichever is less. For illness, the withdrawal may be allowed upto 90% of the amount standing at credit of the subscriber. A subscriber may seek withdrawal after completion of ten years of service.
  - Housing including building or acquiring a suitable house or a ready built flat for his residence,
  - (vi) Repayment of outstanding housing loan,
  - (vii) Purchase of house site for building a house,
  - (viii) Constructing a house on a site acquired,
  - (ix) Reconstructing or making additions on a house already acquired,
  - (x) Renovating, additions or alterations of ancestral house.
- 4. A subscriber may be allowed to withdraw upto ninety percent of the amount standing at credit for the above purposes. It is also decided do away with the present instructions which lay down that subsequent to the sale of house for which GPF withdrawal has been availed, the amount withdrawn has to be deposited back. GPF withdrawal for housing purpose will no longer be linked with the limits prescribed under HBA rules. A subscriber may be permitted to avail the facility at any time during his service.

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- (xi) Purchase of motor car/motor cycle/ scooter etc. or repayment of loan already taken for the purpose,
- (xii) Extensive repairs /overhauling of motor car,
- (xiii) Making deposit to book a motor car/motor cycle/scoter, moped etc.
- 5 A subscriber may be permitted to withdraw three- fourth of the amount standing at credit or cost of the vehicle, whichever is less for the above purposes. Withdrawal for the above purpose will be permitted after completion of 10 years of service.
- 6 Presently, withdrawal of upto 90% of balance without assigning reasons is allowed for Government servants who are due for retirement on superannuation within a year. It is proposed that this may be allowed for upto two years before superannuation.
- 7 In all cases of withdrawal from the fund by the subscriber, the declared Head of Department is competent to sanction withdrawal. No documentary proof will be required to be furnished by the subscriber. A simple declaration form by the subscriber explaining the reasons for withdrawal would be sufficient.
- As per the GPF(CS) Rule 1960, no time limit has been prescribed for sanction and payment of withdrawal amount. Therefore, it has been decided to prescribe a maximum time limit of fifteen days for sanction and payment of withdrawal from the Fund. In case of emergencies like illness etc., the time limit maybe restricted to seven days.
- 9. Necessary amendment to the GPF(Central Service)Rules 1960, giving effect to the above provisions will be issued in due course.
- 10. In so far as persons serving in Indian Audit and Accounts Department are concerned, these orders issue in consultation with the Comptroller and Auditor General of India.
- 11. This issues with approval of Department of Expenditure, vide their ID No. 4(1)/E-V/2017 dated 28.02.2017.
- 12. Hindi version of this OM will follow

(Sujasha Choudhury)

Director

To.

- 1. All Ministries/Departments ( As per Standard Mailing list)
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