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**The Director/Head of all
National Labs./Instts. of CSIR**

Sub: Instructions to switchover from CPF Scheme to Pension Scheme - reg.

Sir,

A majority of Scientists working in Group IV in CSIR system are by and large covered by GPF Scheme. There is still a small group of Scientists that continue to be governed by CPF Scheme. From time to time, instructions were issued to enable them to switch over to GPF Scheme. These instructions were applicable to Scientists who have been confirmed as Scientists in Group IV. Some of these Scientists could not opt for GPF as they were not made permanent before the last date of option for switching over from CPF to GPF.

DG, CSIR has been receiving representations from such Scientists requesting for another option be given to them to switch over from CPF to GPF. In order to resolve the issue once for all, DG, CSIR constituted a Committee under the chairmanship of Dr. Chandra Shekhar, Director, CEERI, Pilani to examine and make holistic recommendations to settle the issue once for all.

After critical examination of all the relevant material and instructions issued on the subject from time to time, information made available by Labs. / Instts. and detailed discussion, the Committee came to the conclusion that there are 85 Scientists who continue to be governed by the CPF Scheme as either they had opted for CPF or for various reasons could not exercise any option. With the examination of the instructions on the subject, the Committee converged to the view that Scientists confirmed w.e.f. 28.11.1984 or thereafter should be covered by the Pension Scheme automatically from the date of their confirmation.

The DG, CSIR in consultation with FA, CSIR and Legal Advisor, CSIR approved the recommendations of the Committee as under:

1. Options sought from Scientists vide CSIR circular letters No. 17(197)/90-E.II dated 14.5.1991 and 25/01/99 to move from CPF to GPF should apply only with reference to the contractual period (served prior to the date of confirmation).

2. All Scientists who were appointed before 01/01/2004 (when the New Pension Scheme came in vogue) and confirmed w.e.f 28/11/1984 or thereafter should be covered by the Pension Scheme automatically from the date of their confirmation.
3. Option exercised by Scientists in 1991 or 1999 should be applicable only in respect of the period of service rendered under the contract prior to their confirmation .
4. Those Scientists who have not exercised any option till date will be deemed to have opted for CPF for the period of service rendered under contract prior to their confirmation in accordance with the CCS(Pension) Rules, 1972.

The above instructions to switchover from CPF to Pension Scheme may kindly be implemented with immediate effect.

Yours faithfully,


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