

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
Finance (Audit) Department
'NABANNA', Howrah – 711 102.

No. 1573-F(P₂)

Dated: 18th April, 2022.

MEMORANDUM

Subject: Grant of ex-gratia payment to the State Government Pensioners for the year 2021-2022.

The undersigned is directed by order of the Governor to say that in order to provide some relief to the State Government Pensioners during the ensuing festivals, the Governor has been pleased to decide that all State Government Pensioners including the holders of provisional pension who retired prior to 30.09.2021 and also the pensioners who retired or died after 30.09.2021 but prior to 01.09.2022 and whose basic pension plus Dearness Relief on pension as on 31st March, 2022 did not exceed Rs.32,000/- (Rupees Thirty two thousand) only and are not eligible for ad-hoc bonus shall be paid an ex-gratia of Rs.2,700/- (Rupees Two thousand Seven hundred) only in lump per head.

2. The charge is debit to the head "2071-Pension and other retirement Benefits-01-Civil-800-other Expenditure-NP-001-fund required for meeting other expenditure-V-04-Pension/Gratuities" during the current financial year.

3. The ex-gratia grant sanctioned herein will also be admissible to:-

- i) The holders of family pension, ex-gratia family pension and ad-hoc family pension;
- ii) Pensioners (including widow pension holders) who draw their pension sanctioned under French Pension Rules;
- iii) Holders of extra-ordinary pension; and
- iv) Holders of ex-gratia pension.

The benefit will also be admissible to the pensioners of the undivided Government of Bengal and the pensioners of the erstwhile East Pakistan (now Bangladesh) Government who migrated to West Bengal and are receiving pension under "Provisional Payment of Pension Scheme".

4. The Ex-gratia grant sanctioned herein will not be admissible to the special categories of pensioners, such as:-

- i) Pensioners who have migrated from Pakistan;
- ii) Political Pensioners;
- iii) Special Pensioners;
- iv) War Risk Pensioners;
- v) Pensioners governed by the All India Services Rules.

5. The benefit will not be admissible to those who are entitled to ad-hoc bonus sanctioned by the State Government and those who are employed/re-employed under any Public Undertakings/Statutory Bodies under the Government and are in receipt of bonus or ex-gratia payment in lieu thereof during the current financial year.

6. State Government pensioners who draw their pension through Public Sector Banks will get this ex-gratia grant through their respective Bank Account. The Principal Accountant General(A&E), West Bengal will issue an authority for this purpose to all such Banks under the Kolkata Payment Scheme immediately on receipt of this order so that the pensioners may draw the ex-gratia grant immediately to make their commitments for their festival. The Treasury Office will take appropriate steps for issue of cheque to the respective paying branches of the Banks and Post Offices, so that the pensioners receiving pension through Banks and Money Order get the payment of ex-gratia immediately to meet their commitments for their festival. No authority of the Principal Accountant General(A&E), West Bengal will be required for this purpose.

