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F.No. (Admn & TPS)-1/7th CPC/Pension Revision/16-17/ 13153 -13352Date: 7 (11) 2017

To

The DCIT/ACIT, Hqrs.-1, Kolkata, CCIT-1, Kolkata & Nodal Officer.

The DCIT/ACIT, Hqrs.-2, Kolkata, CCIT-2, Kolkata & Nodal Officer.

The DCIT/ACIT, Hqrs.-3, Kolkata, CCIT-3, Kolkata & Nodal Officer.

The DCIT/ACIT, Hqrs.-4, Kolkata, CCIT-4, Kolkata & Nodal Officer.

The DCIT/ACIT, Hqrs.-5, Kolkata, CCIT-5, Kolkata & Nodal Officer.

The DCIT/ACIT, Hqrs-6, Kolkata, CCIT-6, Kolkata & Nodal Officer.

The ITO, Hqrs.(Admn. & T.P.S)-1,Kolkata & Nodal Officer.

The Heads of Office/DDOs under the jurisdiction of Pr.CCIT, WB & Sikkim. Sir,

Sub: Revision of pension of pre-2016 pensioners/family pensioners- Reg.

Ref: i) OM .No. 38/37/2016-P&PW(A) dated 12/05/2017.

ii) O.M. No.1(13)/EVI2017 dated 23/05/2017.

iii) OM .No. 38/37/2016-P&PW(A) dated 06/07/2017.

iv) OM .No. 4/23/2017-P&PW(D) dated 25/07/2017.

v) OM .No. 4/23/2017-P&PW(D) dated 07/08/2017.

vi) Letter No. I-11020/04/2017-Ad.IX dated 28/09/2017.

vii) Letter No. ZAO/CBDT/KOL/Revision(7th CPC)/2017-18/24 dated 10/10/2017.

viii) D.O. Letter No.213/2/3/2017-Cab.III dated 16/10/2017.

ix) Meeting of the officers of the O/o the ZAO,CBDT, Kolkata with the Nodal Officers and DDOs on 02.11.2017.

Kindly refer to the above.

Kindly find enclosed the copy of the minutes of the meeting held on 02/11/2017 at the Multipurpose Hall, Aayakar Bhawan at 03:00 P.M.

It has been stated in Para 4 of O.M dated 07/08/2017 that "the Ministries /Department are therefore requested to sensitise the officials dealing with pension cases to suo-moto process the pension revision cases of pre-2016 pensioners sfamily pensioners forthwith based on details available with Head of Office /PAOs without insisting submission of any additional information or documents from them" with a view to expedite the revision of pension cases. All the Nodal Officers and the DDOs were invited to attend the meeting on 02/11/2017 at Multipurpose Hall, Aayakar Bhawan under the Chairmanship of CIT(Admn. & TPS), Kolkata, to discuss the steps to be taken for speedy revision of pension of pre-2016 pensioners.

The details of the steps to be taken as suggested by Shri B.P.Singh , A.A.O,ZAO, CBDT, Kolkata has been mentioned in the minutes of the meeting. Accordingly, co-ordinated efforts need to be taken to speed up the process of revision of pension of pre-2016 pensioners. In case of any query Shri B.P.Singh , A.A.O, (Contact No. 9748028687) may be contacted.

Accordingly, the undersigned has been directed to list the role of Nodal Officers in this regard as detailed below:

- 1) To monitor the respective CCIT wise revision of pension with the concerned stakeholders (Heads of Office/DDOs) and send a CCIT wise consolidated status report every Friday within 4P.M.
- 2) Under no circumstances individual reports from various offices under the jurisdiction of CCIT should be sent to this office.
- 3) To take a coordinated effort along with the Heads of Office/DDOs in keeping liaison with the O/o the ZAO,CBDT,Kolkata.
- 4) The draft pension revision document along with Annex-I ((Notional Pay Fixation as per 7th CPC) will be collected from the O/o the ZAO,CBDT, Kolkata by the designated team formed under the supervision of CIT(Admn. & TPS),Kolkata, and will be forwarded to the respective Heads of Office/DDOs for signature and submission at O/o the ZAO,CBDT, Kolkata.

Enclo: Minutes of the meeting dated 02.11.2017.

J.C.I.T,Hqrs.(Admn. & TPS) Kolkata. For Pr.CCIT, W.B. & Sikkim.

Yours faithfully

M.No.HQ, Hqrs. (Admn. & TPS)-1/Revision of Pension(Pre-2016)/

Dated:

Copy to:

- 1. The DGIT (Inv), Kolkata, P-13, Chowringhee Square, Kolkata-700069, with a request to appoint Nodal Officer for monitoring the revision of pension of pre-2016 pensioners and sending weekly status reports every Friday within 4P.M.
- 2. Ms. Laboni Das Dutta, Deputy Controller of Accounts, ZAO, CBDT, Kolkata, Aayakar Bhawan (Annexe), 169 AJC Bose Road, Kolkata-700014.
- 3. The General Secretary, Central Government Pensioner's Association, Income Tax Branch: West Bengal, 3 Government Place (West), Kolkata-700001.
- 4. The Secretary, Income Tax Retired Gazetted Officers Forum, West Bengal, 3/3 Dwarli [Dwarkin] House, 8/2 Esplanade (East), 3rd Floor, Kolkata-700069.

(SUBHAMAY QATTA) ITO, Hqrs.(Admn. & TPS)-1,Kol.

<u>MINUTES OF THE MEETING WITH ZONAL ACCOUNTS OFFICE & NODAL</u> <u>OFFICERS HELD ON 02.11.2017 TO DISCUSS THE ISSUE OF REVISION OF</u> PENSION OF PRE - 2016

The meeting was held in the Multi- purpose Hall, Aayakar Bhawan, 1st floor, P-7, Chowringhee Square, Kolkata- 700069 at 3:00 p.m. on 02.11.2017. The meeting was attended by the following officers of the Income Tax Department.

- 1) Shri Aroop Kumar Singh, CIT (Admn. & TPS), Kolkata.
- 2) Dr. Raman Garg, JCIT, Hqrs. (Admn. & TPS), Kolkata.
- 3) Shri Subhamay Datta, ITO Hqrs. (Admn. & TPS)-1, Kolkata.
- 4) Nodal Officers & DDO's.
- 5) The O/o the ZAO, Kolkata was represented by Ms. Laboni Das Dutta, Deputy Controller of Accounts, ZAO, CBDT, Kolkata, Shri Dulal Ch. Das, Sr. Account officer and Shri B.P. Singh, AAO of that office.
- II. At the outset, ITO, Hqrs. (Admn. & TPS)- 1, Kolkata welcomed all the present members. Next, he requested the CIT (Admn. & TPS), Kolkata to address the proceedings.
- III. At first, CIT (Admn. & TPS), Kolkata thanked all the members who attended the meeting at a very short notice. The main points which were discussed by CIT (Admn. & TPS), Kolkata are as under:
 - 1) Pension revision is a very sensitive issue for Government of India.
 - 2) Many communications from Delhi have been received from Delhi. Cabinet Secretary is holding meetings regularly and he wants progress in a time bound manner. Every week or every fortnight, some instructions from Delhi are being received and they are asking for the figures and the progress of the pension revision works.
 - 3) In West Bengal charge 7005 pensioners and family pensioners are there. But as per the latest report sent in October only 1868 figures were identified which is less than 30% of the total. That is the main cause of concern. The progress is not very satisfactory though the office of Pr. CCIT has been communicating with the DDO's.
 - 4) CIT (Admn. & TPS), Kolkata, mentioned that the Hon'ble Principal Chief Controller of Accounts, CBDT, in file notings dated 13/09/2017, among other things, had proposed that the ZAOs would segregate the revision cases, DDO-wise and forward the details along with relevant records /information available to respective DDOs for facilitating early finalization of pension cases. This was approved by the Hon'ble Revenue Secretary. Consequently, OM dated 28.09.2017 was received recently from Ministry of Finance stating as under:
 - i) There is a need of joint approach of Head of office and DDO's with ZAO Officers.

- ii) Pr. CCIT may initiate pre- retirement meeting with retiring government servants and Addl. Controller of Accounts that will be taken up subsequently.
- All the Pr. CCIT & DGIT may constitute one or two special task forces team and a nodal officer CCIT wise under their own jurisdiction so that all pension cases are revised before 30th September, 2017.
 Action has already been taken on the third issue and the team of Nodal Officers has been constituted.

IV. The following issues were discussed by CIT (Admn. & TPS), Kolkata:

- Referring to the suggestion of Revenue Secretary, he mentioned that ZAO would segregate the revision cases DDO wise and forward the details along with relevant records information available to respective DDO for facilitating early finalization of pension cases.
- ii) He suggested that all DDO's should be pro- active and think of the ways to gather information on their own.
- iii) On the main grievance about the last place of posting or other details of the retired person, he said that he had instructed Addl. CIT (Pers.) & ITO, Hqrs.(Welfare) to take out all the details available with their offices and fit them in an excel sheet and that will capture all the details about the name, designation, and the last place of posting from where they had retired.
- iv) DDO's are instructed to keep in regular touch with the Gazetted and Non- gazetted Officers Association to get the information from them.
- v) Instructions have been received not to bother the pensioners asking for details. The process for getting information from Pensioner's Association or Pensioners should be in a very polite manner.
- vi) Most of the pensions must be disbursed from nearby bank branches. So if any information is there about such branches, team of headquarters officers may be contacted so that they can try to get information from those branches.

V. Technical issues discussed by ITO, Hqrs. (Admn. & TPS)- 1, Kolkata are as under:

i) The main problem is that there is insufficient information from where the pensioners had retired. In many cases, it is not known whether the pensioner or family pensioners are surviving or not as on date. Many pensioners have submitted their application but exact jurisdiction is not known in most of the cases. Many

pensioners due to health problems and old age are unable to throw light on the last place of posting.

ii) Any additional information from the pensioners cannot be asked and cases should be processed with the available information without insisting any additional information.

VI. Suggestions made by Ms. Laboni Das Dutta, Deputy Controller of Accounts, ZAO, CBDT, Kolkata:

At first she expressed her concern about the pending revision cases. In Kolkata, total number of cases is 7005. Among them ZAO received only 2328 proposals for revision. Almost 4700 cases are yet to be received in ZAO. 2300 cases have been finalised by ZAO till date. She suggested that the ZAO and the Department should work together to finalise revision of all cases.

VII. Suggestions made by Shri B.P. Singh, AAO:

Shri B.P. Singh discussed about the 4 phase plan which they have made for the easy revision of pension cases.

1st Phase: Post 2006 - 3064 cases

2nd Phase: 1996-2005 - 2037 cases

3rd Phase: 1990-1995 - 918 cases

4th Phase: Pre 1990 - 986 Cases

He suggested for the formation of pay fixation cell by the office of Pr. CCIT comprising of 3 AO's or other knowledgeable persons who may be able to handle these cases and holding of weekly meeting with ZAOs to discuss the criticality of the revision of the cases.

He suggested that ZAO will prepare the draft of the old pay details with pay fixation of all the 7005 cases, hand it over to the DDOs through a key person. DDOs/Heads of Office will verify the draft with the information available with them and after that they will submit the draft to the ZAO and then the ZAO will finalise them and send it to CPAO.

In case of the tracing of the last place of posting he assured to give the address of the DDO from the file so that they can find out from where the person had retired.

VIII. Queries raised by participants:

Q.1. A question was asked that acknowledgement is not being received and they are not getting information about the processing of the works of revision of pension.

- A.1. Shri B.P. Singh answered that they are sending acknowledgements addressed to the DDO. He suggested to make a list of the cases about which information is not yet received, then they will send it again.
- Q.2. Another question was what will be the process of verification and the checking if no information is available with the office.
- A.2. Shri B.P.Singh suggested that concordance table, as enclosed with the OM dated 06/07/2017, may be taken resort to while verifying the data. Additional information like Aadhar No. and PAN no. can also be given if available and the ZAO will update that data.

Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair.

J.C.I.T,Hqrs.(Admn. & TPS) Kolkata. For Pr.CCIT, W.B. & Sikkim.