GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
FINANCE DEPARTMENT

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No. Pen-16/2013/F dt. 20/3/12

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub: Extension of the scope of Family Pension to unmarried/ widowed/ divorced/ disabled widowed/ disabled divorced daughters of deceased State Government employees/ pensioners even after attaining the age of 25 years.

Government of Odisha in Finance Department’s Notification No.32745/F dt.23.07.11 have amended the relevant rules of the Orissa Civil Services (Pension) Rules,1992 in order to provide family pension to the unmarried/ widowed/ divorced/ disabled widowed/ disabled divorced daughters of deceased State Government employees/ pensioners even after attaining the age of 25 years for life subject to some conditions as stipulated therein. This provision has come into force with effect from the date of publication in the Orissa Gazette i.e 12.08.2011.

2. Representations have been received from various quarters to the effect that the claims for family pension in favour of unmarried/ widowed/ disabled widowed/ disabled divorced daughters of the deceased employees/ pensioner are not entertained due to stoppage of pension/ family pension for non-existence of eligible family member for sanction of family pension according to the pre-amended Rules since the employee/ pensioner had expired prior to the date on which the aforementioned amendment came into force.

3. After careful consideration of the matter the State Government have been pleased to decide as follows:-

(i) Subject to fulfillment of all other conditions stipulated in the aforementioned notification, the unmarried/ widowed/ divorced/ disabled widowed/ disabled divorced daughters of a deceased State Government employee/ pensioner will be eligible for family pension with effect from the date of publication of the notification in the Orissa Gazette irrespective of the date of death of the Government employee/pensioner. This also is the decision taken by Government of India in their O.M. No.1/13/2009-P&PW (E) dated 28.4.2011 for such cases.

(ii) Financial benefit in these cases will however, accrue from the date of publication of the notification in the Orissa Gazette.

4. The A.G (A&E), Odisha, after receiving the family pension case where pension/ family pension has already been ceased, will reopen the Pension Payment Order in respect of the eligible beneficiary.

Addl. Chief Secretary (Finance)
Memo No. 8134 /F Dated 20th March 2013.

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