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Commissioner-cum-Secretaries/
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All Departments/
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Sub: Generation of Permanent Retirement Account Number (PRAN) to the Government employees eligible to be covered under National Pension System (NPS).

Madam/Sir,

The New Restructured Defined Contribution Pension scheme (NPS) has been introduced by the State Government for employees appointed in Pensionable Establishments under the Government of Odisha with effect from 01.01.2005 vide Finance Department Notification No.44451/F, dated 17.09.2005.

- 2. It was instructed in the Office Memorandum No. 30132/F dated 13.07.2006 that the recoveries from the employees covered under NPS will start from the salary of the month following the month in which the Government Servant has joined service.
- 3. Subsequently, it came to the notice of the Government that, in many cases the DDOs were drawing the NPS contribution of the Government employees covered under NPS with considerable time lag from the date of joining of the employees which created serious dislocation in regular contribution to the NPS account of the employees.
- 4. Thus, in order to avoid such delay in uploading of NPS contribution of the employees, it was reiterated vide Finance Department Letter No. 3695/F dated 07.02.2013 and Letter No. 31898/F dated 25.11.2016 that, deduction of NPS contribution of employees will start mandatorily from the salary of the month, following the month in which the government servant has joined the service in order to avoid in any dislocation in regular contribution to the NPS account of the employees. The DDOs were requested to follow the instructions scrupulously and would be held responsible for any deviation in this regard.

- 5. Now, in order to further streamline generation of PRAN for the government employees eligible to be covered under NPS, the Finance Department have laid down the operational procedure for submission of online application in IFMS-Odisha for generation of PRAN vide Finance Department O.M No. 32720/F dated 24.09.2019. DDOs concerned are required to take immediate necessary steps for submission of online applications for generation of PRAN for the employees eligible to be covered under NPS so as to ensure deduction of NPS contribution from the second month salary of the employees positively to avoid any dislocation in regular contribution to the NPS account of the employees.
- 6. As such, it is once again reiterated that the contribution to the NPS fund shall start mandatorily from the salary bill of the month, following the month in which the Government servant has joined the service. For example, if the employee has joined the Government services in the month of November, 2019 deduction of NPS contribution shall start from the salary bill of December, 2019.
- 7. In view of the above, the DDOs under the administrative control may be instructed to ensure deduction of NPS contribution from the second month salary of the employees positively to avoid any dislocation in regular contribution to the NPS account of the employees failing which the DDOs concerned shall be held personally responsible.

Yours faithfully,

Principal Secretary to Government

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