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FINANCE DEPARTMENT

RESOLUTION

The 17th May 2012

SUBJECT—Enhancement of *ex gratia* to the next of the eligible kin of the deceased Defence and Paramilitary personnel for payment out of Defence and Paramilitary Personnel Relief Fund, Odisha.

The State Government have established the "Defence and Paramilitary Personnel Relief Fund, Odisha" for providing financial support to the next of kin of the Defence Personnel and Paramilitary Forces of our State who make the supreme sacrifice for the country during war and counter insurgency operations.

2. At present scenario, the next of kin of the deceased Defence and Paramilitary personnel are eligible for *ex gratia* grant of ₹ 2,00,000.00 along with monthly pension of ₹ 2,000.00 out of Defence and Paramilitary Personnel Relief Fund, Odisha in accordance with the provisions of F. D. Resolutions No. 47241-F., dated the 24th November 2000, No. 44261-F., dated the 8th October 2004, No. 29449-F., dated the 1st July 2010 and No. 53525-F., dated the 27th December 2010.

3. The next of kin of the deceased martyrs/pensioners have been ventilating their grievance at different levels for enhancement of the amount of *ex gratia* in order to meet the unusual hardship arising out of the rise in prices at the present times.

4. After careful consideration, Government have been pleased to enhance the amount of *ex gratia* grant from ₹ 2,00,000.00 to ₹ 5,00,000.00 (Rupees five lakh) only for payment to the next of kin of the deceased Defence and Paramilitary personnel out of the Defence and Paramilitary Personnel Relief Fund, Odisha in the following manner :

(a) Battle Casualty Married and Parents alive— ₹ 3.00 lakh to widow and ₹ 2.00 lakh to parents,

(b) Battle Casualty Married and Parents deceased— ₹ 5.00 lakh to widow,

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- (c) Battle Casualty Unmarried and Parents alive— ₹ 5.00 lakh to parents.
- (d) Battle Casualty Unmarried and parents deceased— ₹ 5.00 lakh to the nominated next of kins. It should be shared equally by brothers and sisters in case either a brother or a sister is next of kin.

5. All other terms and conditions as applicable for payment of *ex gratia* as well as monthly pension in the aforementioned Resolutions shall also be applicable for this purpose. Cases already sanctioned shall not be reopened/reconsidered.

6. This shall come into force with effect from the 1st June 2012.

ORDER—Ordered that this Resolution be published in an extraordinary issue of the *Odisha Gazette* and copies forwarded to all Departments of Government/(A&E), Odisha,/D.A.G., Odisha Puri.

By order of the Governor

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