

SALIENT FEATURES OF PENSIO SCHEMES IN THE STATE

Schemes	OLD AGE PENSION SCHEME		WIDOW PENSION (Financial Assistance to widows/patitela widows)		HANDICAPPED PENSION	
	1969-70		1979-80		1981-82	
Commencement of scheme	1969-70		1979-80		1981-82	
Pension:	Rs. 60/-p.m. per head		Rs. 50/-p.m. per head		Rs. 50/- p.m. pgr head.	
Condition of eligibility.	Person in the age group of 50 years and above in case of female; and 55 years and above in case of males having none to support them are eligible, provided that their age is verified by the Medical authority not below the rank of Assistant Surgeon.		Widows and destitute women of less than 50 years of age having none to look after them are eligible. Deserted Women or the girls who remain unmarried due to mental deficiency or any other reason which may have forced them to lead of life of destitution and are also eligible for pension upto the age of 50 years provided that the age of the dependants of the applicant is less than 21 years.		Handicapped persons of age group of 21 to 50 years (female) and 21-55 years (male) following medical criteria are eligible, provided their age and disability is verified by the Medical authorities not below the rank of Assistant Surgeon/Specialist:- (a) Physically I Disability 70% and above. handicapped I (b) Blind (a) Total absence of sight (b) Visual equity not exceeding 3/60 or 10/200 (Snellen) in the better eye with correcting lenses. (c) Deaf. Sense of hearing non-functional for ordinary purpose of life. (a) Mentally II.Q.- 0-50% Retarded I	
Income Criteria:	-Self income not exceeding Rs. 50/-p.m. -Income of unmarried adult sons of the applicant. =150/-p.m. -In case of married son having no child. =200/-p.m. -In case of married son having one child. =250/-p.m. -In case of married son having two or more children. =300/-p.m.	-Self income not exceeding Rs. 50/-p.m. -Income of unmarried adult son of the applicant. =150/-p.m. -In case of married son having no child. =200/-p.m. -In case of married son having one child. =250/-p.m. -In case of married son having two or more children. =300/-p.m.	-Self income not exceeding Rs. 50/-p.m. -Income of unmarried adult son of the applicant. =150/-p.m. -In case of married son having no child. =200/-p.m. -In case of married son having one child. =250/-p.m. -In case of married son having two or more children. =300/-p.m.	-Self income not exceeding Rs. 50/-p.m. -Income of unmarried adult son of the applicant. =150/-p.m. -In case of married son having no child. =200/-p.m. -In case of married son having one child. =250/-p.m. -In case of married son having two or more children. =300/-p.m.	-Self income not exceeding Rs. 50/-p.m. -Income of unmarried adult son of the applicant. =150/-p.m. -In case of married son having no child. =200/-p.m. -In case of married son having one child. =250/-p.m. -In case of married son having two or more children. =300/-p.m.	-Self income not exceeding Rs. 50/-p.m. -Income of unmarried adult son of the applicant. =150/-p.m. -In case of married son having no child. =200/-p.m. -In case of married son having one child. =250/-p.m. -In case of married son having two or more children. =300/-p.m.
Present Procedure	The applications on the prescribed proforma (Annexure-I) alongwith the Medical certificate from the Medical authorities not below the rank of Assistant Surgeon are received through the District Social Welfare Officer/District Welfare Officer/Block Development and Panchayat Officer/Tehsildar/Sub-Divisional Officer or direct. The same are allotted Registration No. and processed in the Directorate and short comings found if any, are completed through field agencies or the applicants as the case may be. All the eligible applications are sanctioned pensions with effect from 1st day of the month in which the order of sanction is passed. Pension is remitted quarterly by Money Order direct to the applicant and Money Order Commission is borne by the Government. All the sanctioned cases are reviewed annually in the month of April and cases where income of the applicant/wife/husband/sons/grand sons/dependants required to be verified, are withheld. These cases are investigated on the spot and if found eligible, pension is restored. Besides this, Investigators of the department also investigate the cases on the spot in routine during the year also as test check.	The application on the prescribed proforma (Annexure-II) alongwith the Medical certificate from the Medical authorities not below the rank of Asstt. Surgeon are received through the District Social Welfare Officer/District Welfare Officer/Block Development and Panchayat Officer/Tehsildar/Sub-Divisional Magistrate or direct. The same are allotted Registration No. and processed in the Directorate and short comings found if any, are completed through the above field agencies or the applicants as the case may be. All the eligible applicants are sanctioned pensions with effect from the 1st day of the month in which the order of the sanction is passed. Pension is remitted quarterly by Money Order direct to the applicant and money order commission is borne by the Government.	The application on the prescribed proforma (Annexure-III) alongwith the Medical certificates indicating age and percentage of disability duly verified by the Medical authorities not below the rank of Assistant Surgeon/Specialist of the field are received through the District Social Welfare Officer/District Welfare Officer/Block Development and Panchayat Officer/Tehsildar/Sub-Divisional Magistrate or direct. The same are allotted Registration No. and processed in the Directorate and short comings found if any, are completed through the above field agencies or the applicants as the case may be. All the eligible applicants are sanctioned pensions with effect from the 1st day of the month in which the order of the sanction is passed. Pension is remitted quarterly by Money Order direct to the applicant and money order commission is borne by the Government.	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Number of existing beneficiaries.	29558		5972		42820	
Present allocation.	Rs. 214.92 lakhs. (including staff) Rs. 212.00 lakhs. (for pension only)		Rs. 25.00 lakhs. (including staff) Rs. 25.00 lakhs. (for pension only) (Non-Plan)		Rs. 22.20 lakhs. (including staff) Rs. 26.18 lakhs. (for pension only) 20.00 Non-plan + 6.18 Plan	270.12 263-18
Requirements of funds to cover the existing beneficiaries at present rates.	Rs. 219.93 lakhs.		Rs. 45.06 lakhs.		Rs. 36.86 lakhs.	Rs. 28.50 Non-Plan & 8.36 plan 301-85
Short-fall (8-7)	Rs. 7.93 lakhs.		Rs. 20.06 lakhs.		Rs. 10.68	Rs. 8.50 Non-Plan & 2.18 Plan 38.67
No. of pending applications complete in all respects and pending for want of funds.	8,900		2360		300	1180
No. of applications which are pending with applicants/agencies for removal of deficiencies.	5721		1585		1686	8992
Estimated no. of eligible persons who are yet to be covered including those at Sr. No. 10 and 11.	24,321 (24321)		8,945		8916	42102
Total no. of eligible persons including existing beneficiaries.	53,879		16,235		14,888	85092
Requirement of funds for total coverage of all eligible persons at the existing rates.	Rs. 300.00 lakhs		Rs. 75.27 lakhs.		Rs. 69.02 lakhs.	444-29
Enhancement in the rates proposed.	s. 100/-p.m. per head		Rs. 100/-p.m. per head.		Rs. 100/-p.m. per head.	788.50
Total requirements of funds to cover all eligible persons at the proposed enhanced rates of Rs. 100/-p.m. against Column 13.	Rs. 500.00 lakhs		Rs. 150-50 lakhs.		Rs. 138.00 lakhs	Grand Total 525.32 lakhs.
Additional requirement of funds for the existing no. of beneficiaries at the enhanced rates. (Col. No. 16-7).	Rs. 288.00 lakhs		Rs. 125.50 lakhs		Rs. 111.82 lakhs	
Proposed procedure.	A committee consisting of District Social Welfare Officers/Block Development and Panchayat Officers, Tehsildar and Block Medical Officer will visit the village according to a fix schedule and identify the persons on the spot in the presence of respectables of the village/towns. They will get the applicants forms filled in and signed in the presence of their presence and pass orders for sanctioning or rejecting the application on the spot. District Social Welfare Officer will be the sanctioning and disbursing authority in this respect. In case of urban areas, representatives of Municipalities and CMO may be associated in place of B.D.P.O.s & B.M.O.s.					
Who be competent to make any	Applicants having self income of Rs. 100/- or more or having earning sons/ grand sons shall not be eligible for this benefit. However, in hard case, the Committee will relax the relaxation for the District Social Welfare Officer, Tehsildar, Block Medical Officer. This criteria will however will not be applicable to the existing beneficiaries.					
	No inter-se transfer of beneficiaries under one pension scheme to another would be allowed at any stage.					
	The yearly review will be conducted to identify the non eligible persons to discontinue such beneficiaries who have ceased to be eligible under the scheme and also to identify the new eligible persons who in the meanwhile become eligible under the scheme.					

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HARYANA GOVERNMENT
SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Notification

The 6th November, 1981

No. 3030-SW (I)-81:—These rules shall be called "The Haryana Handicapped Persons Pension Rules" and shall be applicable throughout the State of Haryana. These rules shall come into operation from the date of publication.

2. Aim :—The aim of these rules is to provide social security by way of grant of financial assistance to handicapped persons who are without any means of subsistence and cannot do any work to earn their livelihood.

3. Eligibility : The following categories of persons shall be entitled to this pension :—

(i) *The Blind* : The Blind are those who suffer from the following conditions :—

(a) Total absence of sight.

(b) Visual acuity not exceeding 3/60 to 10/200 (Snellen) in the better eye with correcting lenses.

The Deaf : The deaf are those in whom the sense of hearing is non functional for the ordinary purpose in life.

The Orthopaedically Handicapped : The Orthopaedically handicapped are those who have a physical defect or deformity which cause an interference with the normal functioning of the bones, muscles and joints.

Mentally Retarded : The mentally retarded are those whose I.Q. is 0.50.

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(ii) Handicapped persons are those who are between the age of 21 to 55 years in the case of men and 21 to 50 years in the case of women, who are destitute and have no means of subsistence and cannot do any work to earn their livelihood shall be eligible for pension provided that in either case they are domiciled and have resided in the Haryana State for more than 3 years at the time of making an application. A person shall be deemed to be destitute if his relatives e.g. sons, husband/wife is not in a position to support him/her and his own income from all

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- Note :—**(i) Persons having adult sons/grandsons shall be termed as destitute if they have been abandoned by their adult sons/grandsons and they need State's assistance for their subsistence. A declaration to the effect that they have been abandoned by their adult sons/grandsons should be furnished in the form H.P.I. This declaration should be attested by Panch/Sarpanch (in case of rural areas) and Municipal Commissioner/Ex-Municipal Commissioner (in case of urban areas).
- (ii) In cases where husband or wife is able bodied and the monthly income of such able bodied persons exceeds Rs. 150/- p.m., the handicapped member i.e. the applicant shall not be eligible for this pension.
- (iii) Where both wife and husband are handicapped according to the definition, each one of them shall be eligible for assistance.
- (iv) Professional beggars and medics shall not be considered to be handicapped but persons who are not actually beggars but get occasional assistance from some other people may be allowed pension, if they, otherwise are eligible and the sanctioning authority is satisfied that they are really destitute.

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4. Making of Application :—The application forms for Handicapped pension shall be obtainable free of charge from the office of the District Social Welfare Officer/Block Development and Panchayat Officer/Deputy Commissioner and Municipal Committees. The applications for Handicapped pension shall be submitted to the concerned District Social Welfare Officer/Block Development and Panchayat Officer/Incharge Municipal Committee of the area in which the applicant resides.

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5. Verification :—The applications thus received duly supported by a Medical Certificate in Form HP-2(i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) shall be scrutinized by a Committee headed by Block Development and Panchayat Officer and having Medical Officer Incharge of the Primary Health Centre or a Doctor nominated by him as Member and a representative of Social Welfare Department as Member Secretary. In the urban areas, the Committee shall be headed by Administrator/Incharge/Chief Executive Officer of the Municipal Committee and will have Chief Medical Officer or his nominee as a member and the District Social Welfare Officer as Member Secretary. The Committee will meet on a pre-determined date of which adequate publicity should be made in the area. In the case of rural areas the Committee will be assisted by Panches/Sarpanches and in the case of urban areas by Municipal Commissioners. They should be asked to be present at the meeting for the purpose of attestation or providing such information which the Committee may need. However, they will not be considered as members of these Committees. The Committee will thoroughly scrutinize the applications and

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Member*

will make recommendations to the District Level Committee for grant of pension.

6. Power to sanction pension :— The applications thus recommended shall be put up before a District Level Committee for sanction. District Level Committee consisting of Deputy Commissioner as Chairman, Chief Medical Officer as Member and District Social Welfare Officer as Member Secretary shall be the sanctioning authority for the Handicapped Pensions. The Committee will pass orders on these applications keeping in view the recommendations made by the Committee as specified in para 5 above. The decisions of the District Level Committee shall be final. The decision made on each application shall be communicated to the Applicant/Accountant General (Audit & Accounts) Haryana by the District Social Welfare Officer.

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- 1. Stopping of Pension :—**(i) The sanctioning authority shall have the right to stop payment of pension, if at any stage, it is found that it was sanctioned on a mistaken ground of false information or the conditions for which the pension was granted no longer exist. If a grantee resorted to professional begging, pension shall be forfeited.
- (ii) Pension shall cease to be payable on the death of a pensioner and if the grantee dies before receiving pension for a particular period, the same shall lapse.
- (iii) Further good conduct is an implied condition to the payment of pension. The sanctioning authority shall have the right of withholding or suspending payment of pension if the pensioner be convicted of crime involving moral turpitude.
- (iv) In case pension is sanctioned on the basis of wrong information given by the applicant in his application form, the amount given would be recovered as arrears of land revenue. In case of deliberate wrong information prosecutions will be launched.

8. Change of address :— It shall be obligatory on a pensioner to intimate any change of address to the District Social Welfare Officer. Persons shifting to place outside the Haryana State for a period exceeding three months shall not be eligible for this benefit. But in case involving real hardship, the Sanctioning Committee may permit payment of pension to such a person for a longer period if he is satisfied that the shifting of the pensioner was absolutely essential. In no case, however, pension shall be payable if a pensioner prolongs his/her stay outside Haryana for a period of exceeding one year.

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9. Periodical check up :—The cases of pensioner shall be subjected to periodical check up by the Investigator or any other officer/official specifically deputed for this purpose.

10. Mode of payment :—Pension shall be payable by money order without deduction of money order commission, the cost of which shall be borne by Government. In exceptional cases involving

real hardship the sanctioning authority shall have the option to make payment of pension in cash provided he is satisfied that a particular person is the right payee.

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11. The payment shall be made on quarterly basis.

PART—II. ACCOUNTING PROCEDURE

The following Paragraphs shall regulate the accounting procedure in respect of the Handicapped Persons Pension Rules.

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12. Registration of applications :—On receipt of [an application in the prescribed form it shall be recorded in the receipt register (Form—3) maintained in the office of the respective District Social Welfare Officer. Every applicant will be issued an acknowledgement card indicating the registration number [of his/her application for all future correspondence.

13. Pensions shall be sanctioned for the financial year during which these are granted and shall be subjected to renew from year to year. The details of the pensioners shall be maintained in form H.P.—4.

14. Pension shall become payable from the first of the month in which it is sanctioned. The rate of pension shall be Rs. 50/-per mensem per head or such other rate as may be decided by Government from time to time.

15. Pension under this scheme shall not be liable to attachment under any court of law.

16. Record of all the payments of pensions shall be maintained in the Personal Ledger Register in form H.P.—5 and each pensioner shall be allocated a separate page and Account No. in the Ledger which shall be maintained District-wise.

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17. Every money order form shall be stamped prominently with the words "HARYANA HANDICAPPED PERSONS PENSION". Similarly the money order acknowledgements shall be stamped with the words "HARYANA HANDICAPPED PERSONS PENSION" for THE QUARTER ENDING period to which the payment relates being filled in manuscript at the time of issuing the money order. It shall be particularly borne in mind that before the money order is issued the correct name with parentage/husbandage and complete address of the payee is given. District Social Welfare Officer shall sign the money order and initial the entries in the Personal Ledger Account Register, after carefully comparing the concerned documents. The postal authorities, are requested to issue instructions to the postmen charged with this task to disburse the amount of money order in regard to "HARYANA HANDICAPPED PERSONS PENSION" to the actual

payee only and to none else. In the presence of a literate person who shall witness the payment and shall also record a certificate of identification. As most of the payees are likely to be illiterate, the thumb-impression of the payee shall be obtained in the money order form in the presence of a literate person whose signature and address should also appear on the receipt.

*Note :—*In case where a pensioner due to loss of fingers cannot sign or put his/her thumb-impression on the money order form acknowledgement payment shall be made by the post office in accordance with Postal Department Rules, vide G.O. No. 383 (P)XXXVI—B—22 (P)—1957, dated 3rd June, 1960.

18. No payment shall be made for the next quarter unless the money order acknowledgement has been received for the previous quarter, and a note to that effect recorded in the appropriate column of the Personal Ledger Account or till a satisfactory proof is available that the money order has been correctly paid to the right pensioner for the last quarter.

19. Every quarter the Personal Ledger Account shall be examined and those pensions which have remained un-paid shall be enquired into. Payee acknowledgement shall be watched in the Pension Branch and on receipt shall be serially arranged districtwise and entered in the appropriate column of the Personal Ledger Account and stamped as "CANCELLED". If the payee acknowledgement is delayed for more than 45 days from the date of issue of the money order or if a complaint is received regarding non-payment, the sanctioning authority shall forthwith make necessary enquiries from the Postal Authorities. Payee acknowledgement shall be recorded and kept under lock and key in the office for a period of two years or till the Accounts have been audited, whichever is later.

20. *Handling of cash :—*With a view to avoiding the handling of huge cash payment to the postal authorities shall be made as far as possible through bank drafts issued in favour of the Postal Department.

21. *Undisbursed Money Orders :—*The most important feature of this scheme is the proper watch and maintenance of account of Money orders which are returned by the Postal Authorities as undisbursed. Casualty rate amongst the pensioners shall be very high. It is, therefore, most important to ensure that the money order is not disbursed to any other persons except the payee himself/herself and whenever the postman finds that the pensioner had died or is reported to be not available, it shall be the duty of the postal authorities to return the money order immediately to the District Social Welfare Officer. All the undisbursed money orders shall be received by the District Social Welfare Officer, and a proper record of of such amounts kept in a separate register in form H.P.—6. Each entry in this register shall be initialled by the receiving Officers/ Officials.

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22. The amounts which are received back as undisbursed shall be taken on the cash book and the entire amount thus received shall be refundable by the short drawal from subsequent pension bill.

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23. The Director, Social Welfare shall be overall incharge of the Haryana Handicapped Persons Pension Scheme and necessary instructions in regard to its proper enforcement and accounting procedure shall be issued by him from time to time. He will be assisted by the Deputy Director/District Social Welfare Officer who shall perform the functions of Drawing and Disbursing Officer and will be responsible to advise him on all matters relating to this scheme.

24. The expenditure on the Scheme including the cost of money order forms and money order commission shall be debitable to the head "2235—Social Security & Welfare—02—Social Welfare—101—Welfare of Handicapped (xi) Pension to Physically Handicapped".

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No. 1447-SW(3)-88.—These rules shall be called "The Haryana Old Age Pension (Liberalised) Scheme Rules, 1987" and shall be applicable throughout the State of Haryana. These rules shall come into operation from 17th June, 1987.

2. Aim.—The aim of the rules is to provide social security to old persons who are unable to sustain themselves from their own resources and are in need of financial assistance from the State.

3. Eligibility—(i) A person who—

- (a) is a domicile of Haryana State; and
- (b) has attained the age of 65 years; and
- (c) is not liable to pay income tax; and
- (d) is not receiving pension above Rs. 100 p.m. from any source.

is eligible for pension under these rules, at the rate of Rupees 100 p.m. However, a person, who is already receiving old age pension at the rate of Rs. 60 p.m. under "The Haryana Old Age Pension Rules," which are in operation prior to enforcement of these rules, will continue to receive Old Age Pension at the rate of Rs. 60 p.m. unless he is, or subsequently becomes eligible to draw Old Age Pension at an enhanced rate of Rs. 100 p.m. under "The Haryans Old Age Pension (Liberalised) Scheme."

(ii) A person, who is eligible for the grant of Old Age Pension under the Haryana Old Age Pension (Liberalised) Scheme Rules, on 17th June, 1987, will be entitled to receive Old Age Pension with effect from 17th June, 1987. But a person who becomes eligible for the grant of Old Age Pension under the "Haryana Old Age Pension (Liberalised) Rules" on the date subsequent to 17th June, 1987 will be entitled to receive Old Age Pension under these rules only with effect from ensuing first day of July.

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(iii) A person who is eligible for pension under new rules, but is drawing a pension from any source, of an amount less than Rs. 100 p.m. will only be entitled to the pension equivalent to the difference between Rs. 100 p.m. and the amount of pension he is already receiving.

(iv) If both husband and wife qualify for pension, both of them will be entitled to receive the pension separately.

4. Committees.—(a) Separate Committees will be constituted for scrutinising the eligibility of person for grant of pension in the rural and urban areas. In the rural areas, the Committee will consist of Block Development and Panchayat Officer or Social Education and Panchayat Officer and the District Social Welfare Officer or his representative. In the urban areas, this Committee will consist of Officer Incharge of the Municipal Committee or the Executive Officer or the Secretary of Municipal Committee and District Social Welfare Officer or his representative. In a situation where District Social Welfare Officer can not be represented on the Committee because of any reason, the Deputy Commissioner will nominate the Officer/Official from any Government Department in his place.

(b) A District Level Committee comprising of Chief Medical Officer as a Member, District Social Welfare Officer as Member-Secretary and Deputy Commissioner of the District as Chairman will also be constituted.

5. Scrutiny.—(a) In the rural areas, the scrutiny of the eligibility of applicants shall be conducted in the village itself in an assembly of the village community. The date, time and venue for holding such a meeting shall be fixed by the District Social Welfare Officer, sufficiently in advance. Adequate publicity about the date, time and venue of the meeting shall be made by the Block Development and Panchayat Officer, to enable all persons desirous of obtaining pension to attend the meeting. In particular, the Block Development and Panchayat Officer will invite the present and previous Panches and Sarpanches, Mahila Panches, Lambardars and other respectable persons of the village.

(b) In the urban areas, the scrutiny of the eligibility of applicants, residing in one or more Municipal wards, may be conducted at a time, in order to facilitate the process of scrutiny. The date, time and venue for holding such a meeting will be fixed by the District Social Welfare Officer. Adequate publicity about the date, time and venue of the meeting as well as about the municipal wards to be covered in a particular meeting, will be made by the Officer Incharge of the Municipal Committee. Present, as well as former Municipal Commissioners and other respectable persons belonging to the Municipal wards to be covered in the meeting, shall be invited to attend the meeting.

(c) The Committee shall make available application forms to all persons desirous of obtaining pension and will also guide them in filling up application forms if necessary. The Committee shall scrutinise each application thoroughly to verify the eligibility of the applicant, for the grant of pension and will take into account all available oral and documentary evidence, for this purpose. (Information supplied by respectable persons of the area and the neighbours of the applicants will be given due weightage by the Committee in forming an opinion about the eligibility of an applicant). The Committee shall exercise reasonable judgement in deciding each case.

(d) In case of those applicants where the Committee is satisfied about the eligibility of applicants for grant of pension, the Committee shall record its sanction and will send the original applications along with a list of such applications on a proforma prescribed by the Social Welfare Department for this purpose to District Social Welfare Officer for disbursement of pensions.

(e) In those cases where the Committee comes to a definite conclusion that an applicant is ineligible for grant of pension, the Committee shall record its reasons. The Committee will prepare a list of such applications on a proforma prescribed by the Social Welfare Department for this purpose and forward the list along with original applications to District Social Welfare Officer, for record.

(f) In those cases where the Committee entertains serious doubts about the eligibility of an applicant but is not able to come to a definite conclusion, the Committee will prepare a list of such applicants on a proforma prescribed by the Social Welfare Department for this purpose and forward the list of such applications along with original applications to District Level Committee for its decision.

(g) The grant of pension shall be conveyed by the D.S.W.Os to the persons to whom pension has been sanctioned.

6. (a) The District Level Committee shall make a detailed examination of those applications where the Committee for Scrutiny has been unable to make clear cut recommendations. It will take into account all available evidence for reaching a conclusion and may also collect or cause to be collected further evidence to come to a decision. The Committee may also subject the applicant to a detailed medical examination in order to ascertain his/her age. The decision of the Committee shall be final.

(b) The Committee will prepare a list of those applications to whom the pension is granted on a proforma prescribed by the Social Welfare Department for this purpose and forward this list along with original applications to the District Social Welfare Officer for disbursement of pension. It will also prepare a list of rejected applications on a proforma prescribed for this purpose by the Social Welfare Department and will forward this list to the District Social Welfare Officer along with original applications, for record.

7. **Scrutiny of Fresh Applicants.**—Each year, Committees for Scrutiny will conduct scrutiny of the new applicants in the months of April, May and June. Pension shall be sanctioned to those applicants who are found eligible by the Committees w.e.f. 1st July.

8. **Annual Verification of Pensioner.**—(i) During its visit to the village/ward for the purpose of verification of fresh applicants Committee for Scrutiny will also investigate if any of the pensioner is no longer eligible for pension. For this purpose, all the existing pensioners will be required to present themselves before the Committee. Pension to those persons who fail to present themselves before the Committee will become liable for suspension.

(ii) In those cases where Committee comes to a definite conclusion that a pensioner is no longer eligible for pension, the Committee will terminate the pension of such beneficiaries and will send intimation to District Social Welfare Officer of such termination, for further necessary action. However, the Committee shall exercise reasonable judgement to decide these cases. The District Social Welfare Officer shall intimate the fact of termination of pension to the pensioner. An appeal shall lie, within 3 months from the intimation of such termination to the District Level Committee against such termination of pension.

(iii) In those cases where the pensioner has not presented himself before the Committee and the Committee suspects the eligibility of a pensioner, the Committee may direct District Social Welfare Officer to discontinue further disbursement of pension to such pensioners. District Social Welfare Officer shall issue a notice to the beneficiary asking him/her to show cause why his/her pension should not be terminated. If the pensioner fails to satisfy the District Social Welfare Officer regarding his/her continued eligibility of pension, the pension shall be terminated by District Social Welfare Officer. An appeal shall lie, within 3 months from the intimation of such termination to the District Level Committee against such termination of pension. Otherwise, the pension shall be resumed after the pensioner satisfies the District Social Welfare Officer about his/her eligibility for pension.

9. **Stoppage of Pension.**—(i) Pension shall be sanctioned for the entire life of the applicant. However, the District Social Welfare Officer shall have the right to stop payment of pension, if at any stage, it is found that it was sanctioned on a mistaken ground or false information or the condition for which the pension was granted no longer exists.

(ii) Pension shall cease to be payable on the death of a pensioner and if the grantee dies before receiving pension for a particular period, the same shall lapse.

(iii) In case pension is sanctioned on the basis of wrong information given by the applicant, in his/her application form, the amount given would be recovered as arrears of land revenue. In case of deliberate wrong information, the pensioner shall be liable for prosecution.

(iv) Pension under this scheme shall not be liable to attachment under any Court of Law.

10. **Change of Address.**—It shall be obligatory for a pensioner to intimate any change of address to the District Social Welfare Officer. A pensioner shifting to a place outside Haryana State for a period exceeding three months shall not be ordinarily eligible for payment of pension during the period of her stay outside Haryana State. However, in a case involving real hardships, the District Social Welfare Officer may permit payment of pension to such a person for a period of absence upto one year if he is satisfied that the shifting of residence was absolutely essential for the pensioner.

11. (a) **Mode of Payment.**—Pension shall be payable by money order without deduction of money order commission the cost of which shall be borne by Government. In exceptional cases involving real hardship, the District Social Welfare Officer may make payment of pension in cash provided he is satisfied that a particular person is the right payee, while recording reasons in writing.

(b) The period for payment of pension shall be decided by Director, Social Welfare from time to time.

12. No further payment shall be made if money order acknowledgement has not been received for two consecutive instalments.

12(a) The pensions which have remained unpaid for two consecutive instalments or more shall be enquired into by the concerned District Social Welfare Officer who will take necessary action in this regard. Payees acknowledgement shall be recorded and kept under lock and key by the District Social Welfare Officer till the accounts have been audited by Accountant General, Haryana.

13. Handling cash payment to the postal authorities shall be made, as far as possible, through bank drafts issued in favour of Postal Department.

14. All the undisbursed money orders shall be received by the District Social Welfare Officer concerned. A proper record of such amounts shall be kept in a separate register. The undisbursed amount received back shall be taken in the cash book and the entire amount thus received shall be refundable by short drawal from subsequent pension bill.

15. The Director, Social Welfare shall be over all incharge of the "Haryana Old age Pension (Liberalised) Scheme" and necessary instructions in regard to its proper enforcement and accounting procedure shall be issued by him from time to time.

16. The expenditure on the administration of the "Haryana Old Age Pension (Liberalised) Scheme" including the cost of the money order form money order commission etc. shall be debitable to the head of account as prescribed by the Government from time to time.

ASHA SHARMA,

Commissioner and Secretary to Government, Haryana,
Social Welfare Department.

SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Notification

The 21st April, 1988

No. 1447-SW(3)(B)88.—These rules shall be called "The Haryana Pension to Widows and Destitute Women Scheme Rules, 1988" and shall be applicable throughout the State of Haryana. These rules shall come into operation from the date of publication.

2. **Aim.**—The aim of these rules is to provide social security to women who are unable to sustain themselves from their own resources and are in need of financial assistance from the State.

3. **Eligibility.**—(i) A woman, in the age group of 18—65 years, is eligible for grant of pension if she is a widow or unmarried woman or a married woman who has been deprived of the financial support from her husband because of his continued absence or because of his physical/mental incapacity or desertion by husband or any other reasons and her close relatives such as parents, sons, son's sons are not supporting her and her own income from all sources is less than the income prescribed by Government in this regards in consultation with Finance Department, provided she is a domicile of Haryana and has been residing in Haryana State for 1 year at the time of submission of application.

(ii) A woman who is eligible for grant of pension on the 1st April, of any year will be entitled to receive the pension from 1st July of that year.

3 (a) The amount of pension to be paid to a pensioner per month shall be decided by State Government from time to time.

4. **Committees.**—(a) Separate Committees will be constituted for scrutinising the eligibility of women for grant of pension in the rural and urban areas. In the rural areas, the Committee will consist of Block Development and Panchayat Officer or Social Education and Panchayat Officer and the District Social Welfare Officer or his representative. In the urban areas, this Committee will consist of Officer Incharge of the Municipal Committee or the Executive Officer or the Secretary of Municipal Committee and District Social Welfare Officer or his representative. In a situation where District Social Welfare Officer can not be represented on the Committee because of any reason, the Deputy Commissioner will nominate the Officer/official from any Government Department in his place

(b) A District Level Committee comprising of Chief Medical Officer as a Member, District Social Welfare Officer as Member-Secretary and Deputy Commissioner of the District as Chairman will also be constituted.

5. Scrutiny.—(a) In the rural areas, the scrutiny of the eligibility of applicants shall be conducted in the village itself in an assembly of the village community. The date, time and venue for holding such a meeting shall be fixed by the District Social Welfare Officer, sufficiently in advance. Adequate publicity about the date, time and venue of the meeting shall be made by the Block Development and Panchayat Officer, to enable all women desirous of obtaining pension to attend the meeting. In particular, the Block Development and Panchayat Officer will invite the present and previous Panches and Sarpanches, Mahila Panches, Lambardars and other respectable persons of the village.

(b) In the urban areas, the scrutiny of the eligibility of applicants, residing in one or more municipal wards, may be conducted at a time, in order to facilitate the process of scrutiny. The date, time and venue for holding such a meeting will be fixed by the District Social Welfare Officer. Adequate publicity about the date, time and venue of the meeting as well as about the municipal wards to be covered in a particular meeting, will be made by the Officer Incharge of the Municipal Committee. Present, as well as former Municipal Commissioners and other respectable persons belonging to the Municipal wards to be covered in the meeting shall be invited to attend the meeting.

(c) The Committee shall make available application forms to all women desirous of obtaining pension and will also guide them in filling up application forms if necessary. The Committee shall scrutinise each application thoroughly to verify the eligibility of the applicant, for the grant of pension and will take into account all available oral and documentary evidence, for this purpose. (Information supplies by respectable persons of the area and the neighbours of the applicants will also be given due weightage by the Committee in forming an opinion about the eligibility of an applicant. The Committee shall exercise reasonable judgement in deciding each case.

(d) In case of those applicants where the Committee is satisfied about the eligibility of applicants for grant of pension, the Committee shall record its sanction and will send the original applications alongwith a list of such applications on a proforma prescribed by the Social Welfare Department for this purpose to District Social Welfare Officer, for disbursement of pensions.

(e) In those cases where the Committee comes to a definite conclusion that an applicant is ineligible for grant of pension, the Committee shall record its reasons. The Committee will prepare a list of such applications on a proforma prescribed by the Social Welfare Department for this purpose and forward the list along with original applications to District Social Welfare Officer, for record.

(f) In those cases where the Committee entertains serious doubts about the eligibility of an applicant but is not able to come to a definite conclusion, the Committee will prepare a list of such applications on a proforma prescribed by the Social Welfare Department for this purpose and forward the list of such applications alongwith original applications to District Level Committee for its decision.

(g) The grant of pension shall be conveyed by the D.S.W.Os to the women to whom pension has been sanctioned.

6. (a) The District Level Committee shall make a detailed examination of those applications where the Committee for Scrutiny has been unable to make clear cut recommendations. It will take into account all available evidence for reaching a conclusion; and may also collect or cause to be collected further evidence to come to a decision. The Committee may also subject the applicant to a detailed medical examination in order to ascertain her age. The decision of the Committee shall be final.

(b) The Committee will prepare a list of those applications to whom the pension is granted on a proforma prescribed by the Social Welfare Department for this purpose and forward this list alongwith original applications to the District Social Welfare Officer for disbursement of pension. It will also prepare a list of rejected applications on a proforma prescribed for this purpose by the Social Welfare Department and will forward this list to the District Social Welfare Officer alongwith original applications, for record.

7. Scrutiny of fresh applications.—Each year, Committees for Scrutiny will conduct scrutiny of the new applicants in the month of April, May and June. Pension shall be sanctioned to those applicants who are found eligible by the Committees with effect from 1st of July, every year.

8. Annual verification of pensioner.—(i) During its visit to the village/ward for the purpose of verification of fresh applicants Committee for Scrutiny will also investigate if any of the pensioner is no longer eligible for pension. For this purpose, all the existing pensioners will be required to present themselves before the Committee. Pension to those women who fail to present themselves before the Committee will become liable for suspension.

(ii) In those cases where Committee comes to a definite conclusion that a pensioner is no longer eligible for pension, the Committee will terminate the pension of such beneficiaries and will send intimation to District Social Welfare Officer of such termination, for further necessary action. However, the Committee shall exercise reasonable judgment to decide these cases. The District Social Welfare Officer shall intimate the fact of termination of pension to the pensioner. An appeal shall lie, within 3 months from the intimation of such termination to the District Level Committee against such termination of pension.

(iii) In those cases where the pensioner has not presented herself before the Committee and the Committee suspects the eligibility of a pensioner, the Committee may direct District Social Welfare Officer to discontinue further disbursement of pension to such pensioners. District Social Welfare Officer shall issue a notice to the beneficiary asking her to show cause why her pension should not be terminated. If the pensioner fails to satisfy the District Social Welfare Officer regarding her continued eligibility of pension, the pension shall be terminated by District Social Welfare Officer. An appeal shall lie, within 3 months from the intimation of such termination to the District Level Committee against such termination of pension. Otherwise, the pension shall be resumed after the pensioner satisfies the District Social Welfare Officer about her eligibility for pension.

9. **Stoppage of pension.**—(i) Pension shall be sanctioned for the entire life of the applicant. However, the District Social Welfare Officer shall have the right to stop payment of pension; if any at stage it is found that it was sanctioned on a mistaken ground or false information or the condition for which the pension was granted no longer exists.

(ii) Pension shall cease to be payable on the death of a pensioner and if the grantee dies before receiving pension for a particular period, the same shall lapse.

(iii) In case pension is sanctioned on the basis of wrong information given by the applicant, in her application form, the amount given would be recovered as arrears of land revenue. In case of deliberate wrong information, the pensioner shall be liable for prosecution.

(iv) Pension under this scheme shall not be liable to attachment under any court of law.

(v) Pension shall cease to be payable when a widow/destitute women attains the age of 65 years or the date from which she gets employed or gets any other means of subsistence, whichever is earlier. However, in case where destitute women and widows attain the age of 65 years and having still no source of income, her case shall be transferred to Old Age Pension Scheme (Liberalised).

10. **Change of address.**—It shall be obligatory for a pensioner to intimate any change of address to the District Social Welfare Officer. A pensioner shifting to a place outside Haryana State for a period exceeding three months shall not be ordinarily eligible for payment of pension during the period of her stay outside Haryana State. However, in a case involving real hardships, the District Social Welfare Officer may permit payment of pension to such a woman for a period of absence upto one year if he is satisfied that the shifting of residence was absolutely essential for the pensioner.

11. **Mode of payment.**—(a) Pension shall be payable by money order without deduction of money order commission the cost of which shall be borne by Government. In exceptional cases involving real hardship, the District Social Welfare Officer may make payment of a pension in case provided he is satisfied that a particular woman is the right payee, while recording reasons in writing.

(b) The period for payment of pension shall be decided by Director, Social Welfare from time to time.

12. No further payment shall be made if money order acknowledgement has not been received for two consecutive instalments.

12. (a) The pensions which have remained unpaid for two consecutive instalments or more shall be enquired into by the concerned District Social Welfare Officer who will take necessary action in this regard. Payees acknowledgement shall be recorded and kept under lock and key by the District Social Welfare Officer till the accounts have been audited by Accountant-General, Haryana.

13. Handling cash payment to the postal authorities shall be made, as far as possible, through bank drafts issued in favour of Postal Department.

14. All the undisbursed money orders shall be received by the District Social Welfare Officer concerned. A proper record of such amounts shall be kept in a separate register. The undisbursed amount received back shall be taken in the cash book and the entire amount thus received shall be refundable by short drawal from subsequent pension bill.

15. The Director Social Welfare shall be over all incharge of the "Haryana Pension to Widows and Destitute Women Scheme" and necessary instructions in regard to its proper enforcement and accounting procedure shall be issued by him from time to time.

16. The expenditure on the administration of the "Haryana Pension to Widows and Destitute Women Scheme" including the cost of the money order form/money order commission etc. shall be debitable to the head of account as prescribed by the Government from time to time.

ASHA SHARMA,

Commissioner and Secretary to
Government, Haryana,
Social Welfare Department.

SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Notification

The 21st April, 1988

No. 1447-SW-(3)A-88.—These rules shall be called "The Haryana Handicapped Persons Pension Rules, 1988" and shall be applicable throughout the State of Haryana. These rules shall come into operation from

2. Aim.—The aim of the rules is to provide social security to Handicapped Persons who are unable to sustain themselves from their own resources and are in need of financial assistance from the State.

3. Eligibility.—A person in the age-group of 21 to 65 years shall be eligible for grant of Handicapped Pension if he is a domicile of Haryana State and has been residing in Haryana State for three years at the time of submission of application.

and

His close relative such as parents, son, son's son are not supporting him and his own income from all sources is less than the income prescribed by Government in this regard.

and

He suffers from one or more of the following handicaps :—

- (a) Total absence of sight.
- (b) Visual acuity not exceeding 3/60 to 10/200 (Snellen) in the better eye with correcting lenses.
- (c) A loss of sense of hearing to the extent that it is non-functional for the ordinary purposes of life.
- (d) Orthopaedic handicap with a permanent disability of 70 per cent and above.
- (e) Mental Retardation with I.Q. not exceeding 50.

3-A. The rate of pension shall be decided by Government from time to time.

4. Committees.—(a) Separate Committees will be constituted for scrutinising the eligibility of persons for grant of pension in the rural and urban areas. In the rural areas, the Committee will consist of Block Development and Panchayat Officer or Social Education and Panchayat Officer and the District Social Welfare Officer or his representative. In the urban areas, this committee will consist of officer incharge of the Municipal Committee or the Executive Officer or the Secretary of Municipal Committee and District Social Welfare Officer or his representative. In a situation where District Social Welfare Officer cannot be represented on the Committee because of any reason, the Deputy Commissioner will nominate one Officer/Official from any Government Department in his place.

(b) A District Level Committee comprising of Chief Medical Officer as Member, District Social Welfare Officer as Member Secretary and Deputy Commissioner of the District as Chairman will also be constituted.

5. **Scrutiny.**—(a) In the rural areas the scrutiny of the eligibility of applicants shall be conducted in the village itself in an assembly of the village community. The date, time and venue for holding such a meeting shall be fixed by the District Social Welfare Officer, sufficiently in advance. Adequate publicity about the date, time and venue of the meeting shall be made by the Block Development and Panchayat Officer, to enable all persons desirous of obtaining handicapped persons/pension to attend the meeting. In particular, the Block Development and Panchayat Officer will invite the present and previous Panches and Sarpanches, Lambardars and other respectable persons of the village.

(b) In the urban areas, the scrutiny of the eligibility of applicants, residing in one or more municipal wards may be conducted at a time, in order to facilitate the process of scrutiny. The date, time and venue for holding such a meeting will be fixed by the District Social Welfare Officer. Adequate publicity about the date, time and venue of the meeting as well as about the municipal wards to be covered in a particular meeting, will be made by the Officer Incharge of the Municipal Committee. Present, as well as former Municipal Commissioners and other respectable persons belonging to the Municipal wards to be covered in the meeting shall be invited to attend the meeting.

(c) The Committee shall make available application forms to all persons desirous of obtaining pension and will also guide them in filling up application forms if necessary. The Committee shall scrutinise each application thoroughly to verify the eligibility of the applicant, for the grant of pension and will take into account all available oral and documentary evidence for this purpose. Information supplied by respectable persons of the area and the neighbours of the applicants will also be given due weightage by the Committee in forming an opinion about the eligibility of applicants. As a proof of disability, the applicant will be required to submit to the Committee a medical certificate to be issued by the authority prescribed by the Government for this purpose. This certificate shall be treated as conclusive evidence by the Committee to determine the degree of handicap of the applicant. The Committee shall exercise reasonable judgement in deciding each case.

(d) In case of those applicants where the Committee is satisfied about the eligibility of applicants for grant of pension the Committee shall record its sanction and will send the original applications on a proforma prescribed by the Social Welfare Department for this purpose to District Social Welfare Officer, for disbursement of pensions.

(e) In those cases where the Committee comes to a definite conclusion that an applicant is ineligible for grant of pension, the Committee shall record its reasons. The Committee will prepare a list of such applications on a proforma prescribed by the Social Welfare Department for this purpose and forward the list alongwith original applications to District Social Welfare Officer, for record.

(f) In those cases where the Committee entertains serious doubts about the eligibility of an applicant but is not able to come to a definite conclusion, the Committee will prepare a list of such applicants on a proforma prescribed by the Social Welfare Department for this purpose and forward the list of such applications alongwith original applications to District Level Committee for its decision.

(g) In those cases where the applicant does not produce the disability certificate, but otherwise appears eligible for grant of pension, the Committee shall declare him eligible for grant of pension subject to the production of disability certificate. Camps shall be organised in medical institutions by Chief Medical Officer for facilitating the issue of disability certificate, to such applicants. The District Social Welfare Officer shall be competent to grant pension to such applicants on the production of proper disability certificate.

(h) The grant of pension shall be conveyed by the D.S.W.O's to the person to whom pension has been sanctioned.

6. (a) The District Level Committee shall make a detailed examination of those applications where the committee for Scrutiny has been unable to make clear cut recommendations. It will take into account all available evidence for reaching a conclusion and may also collect or cause to be collected further evidence to come to a decision. The Committee may also subject the applicant to a detailed medical examination in order to ascertain his age and disability. The decision of the Committee shall be final.

(b) The Committee will prepare a list of those applications to whom the pension is granted on a proforma prescribed by the Social Welfare Department for this purpose and forward this list alongwith original application to the District Social Welfare Officer for disbursement of pension. It will also prepare a list of rejected applications on a proforma prescribed for this purpose by the Social Welfare Department and will forward this list to the District Social Welfare Officer alongwith original applications for record.

7. **Scrutiny of fresh applicants.**—Each year, Committees for Scrutiny will conduct scrutiny of the new applicants in the months of April, May and June. Pension shall be sanctioned to those applicants who are found eligible by the Committees w.e.f. 1st of July of that year.

8. Annual verification of pensioner (i) During its visit to the village/ward for the purpose of verification of fresh applicants, Committee for Scrutiny will also investigate if any of the pensioner is no longer eligible for pension. For this purpose, all the existing pensioners will be required to present themselves before the Committee will become liable for suspension.

(ii) In those cases where Committee comes to a definite conclusion that a pensioner is no longer eligible for pension, the Committee will terminate the pension of such beneficiaries and will send intimation to District Social Welfare Officer of such termination, for further necessary action. The District Social Welfare Officer shall intimate the fact of termination of pension to the pensioner. An appeal shall lie, within three months from the intimation of such termination to the District Level Committee against such termination of pension.

(iii) In those cases where the pensioner has not presented himself before the committee and the committee suspects the eligibility of a pensioners, the Committee may direct District Social Welfare Officer to discontinue further disbursement of pension to such pensioners. District Social Welfare Officer shall issue a notice to the beneficiary asking him to show cause why his pension should not be terminated. If the pensioner fails to reply to the notice within a period of three months or fails to satisfy the District Social Welfare Officer regarding his continued eligibility of pension, the pension shall be terminated by District Social Welfare Officer. Otherwise, the pension shall be resumed after the pensioner satisfies the District Social Welfare Officer about his eligibility for pension. An appeal shall lie, within 3 months from the intimation of such termination to the District Level Committee against such termination of pension.

9. **Stoppage of pension**—Pension shall be sanctioned for the entire life of the applicant. However, the District Social Welfare Officer shall have the right to stop payment of pension, if at any stage, it is found that it was sanctioned on a mistaken ground of false information or the condition for which the pension was granted no longer exist.

(ii) Pension shall cease to be payable on the death of a pensioner and if the pensioner dies before receiving pension for a particular period, the same shall lapse.

(iii) In case pension is sanctioned on the basis of wrong information given by the applicant, in his application form, the amount given would be recovered as arrears of land revenue. In case of deliberate wrong information the pensioner shall be liable for prosecution.

(iv) Pension under this scheme shall not be liable to attachment under any Court of Law.

(v) Pension shall cease to be payable when a handicapped person attains the age of 65 years or the date from which he/she gets employed or gets any other means of subsistence whichever is earlier. However, in case where physically handicapped person attains the age of 65 years and having still no source of income, his/her case will be transferred to the Old Age Pension Scheme (Liberalised).

10. **Change of Address**—It shall be obligatory for a pensioner to intimate any change of address to the District Social Welfare Officer. A pensioner shifting to a place outside Haryana State for a period exceeding three months shall not be ordinarily eligible for payment of pension during the period of his stay outside Haryana State. However in a case involving real hardships, the District Social Welfare Officer may permit payment of pension to such for a period of absence up to one year if he is satisfied that the shifting of residence was absolutely essential for the pensioner.

11(a) **Mode of payment**—Pension shall be payable by money order without deduction of money order commission the cost of which shall be borne by Government. In exceptional cases involving real hardship, the District Social Welfare Officer may make payment of pension in cash provided he is satisfied that a particular person is the right payee while recording reason in writing.

(b) The period for payment of pension shall be decided by Director, Social Welfare from time to time.

12. No further payment of pension shall be made if money order acknowledgement has not been received for two previous consecutive instalments.

13. The pensions which have remained unpaid for two consecutive instalments or more shall be enquired into by the concerned District Social Welfare Officer who will take necessary action in this regard.

14. Payees acknowledgement shall be recorded and kept under lock and key by the District Social Welfare Officer till the accounts have been audited by Accountant General, Haryana.

15. **Handling cash**—Payment to the postal authorities shall be made, as far as possible, through Bank Drafts issued in favour of Postal Department.

16. All the undisbursed money orders shall be received by the District Social Welfare Officer concerned. A proper record of such amounts shall be kept in a separate register. The undisbursed amount received back shall be taken in the cash book and the entire amount thus received shall be refundable by short drawal from subsequent pension bill.

17. The Director, Social Welfare shall be overall incharge of the "Haryana Handicapped Persons Pension Scheme" and necessary instructions in regard to its proper enforcement and accounting procedure shall be issued by him from time to time.

18. The expenditure on the administration of the "Haryana Handicapped Persons Pension Scheme" including the cost of the money orders form, money order commission etc. shall be debitable to the head of account as prescribed by the Government from time to time.

ASHA SHARMA,

Commissioner & Secretary to Government, Haryana,
Social Welfare Department.

AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT

Notification

The 27th/28th April, 1988

No. 1496-Agril. S(3)88-7843.—In exercise of the powers conferred by section 3 of the Punjab Agricultural produce Markets Act, 1961, the Governor of Haryana is pleased to nominate Shri Tek Chand Nain, M. L. A., Narwana as Chairman of the Haryana State Agricultural Marketing Board, Panchkula with immediate effect.

L. D. KATARIA,

Secretary to Government, Haryana
[Agriculture Department.]

कृषि विभाग

प्रधिसूचना

दिनांक 27/28 अप्रैल, 1988

सं० 1496-कृ०अ०(3)-88/7843.—पंजाब कृषि उपज मण्डी अधिनियम, 1961 की धारा 3 के द्वारा प्रदान की गई शक्तियों का प्रयोग करते हुये हरियाणा के राज्यपाल श्री टेक चन्द नैन, विधायक नरवाना को, हरियाणा राज्य कृषि निपणन मण्डल, पंचकुला का बतौर अध्यक्ष तत्काल प्रभाव से मनोनीत करते हैं।

एल० डी० कटारिया,

सचिव, हरियाणा सरकार,
कृषि विभाग।

SOCIAL DEFENCE SECURITY DEPARTMENT

Notification

The 24th August, 1992

No. 1921-SW(3)/92.—These rules shall be called "The Haryana Pension to Widows & Destitute Women Scheme Rules 1988-1989" and shall be applicable throughout the State of Haryana. These rules shall come into operation from the 1st July, 1991.

2. **Aim.**—The aim of these rules is to provide social security to women who are unable to sustain themselves from their own resources and are in need of financial assistance from the State.

3. A woman, in the age group of 18 years and above is eligible for grant of pension if she is a widow or unmarried woman or a married woman who has been deprived of the financial support from her husband because of his physical/mental incapacity or desertion by husband or any other reasons and her close relative such as parents, sons, son's son are not supporting her and her own income from all sources is less than the income prescribed by Government in this regard in consultation with Finance Department, provided she is a domicile of Haryana and has been residing in Haryana State for the last 1 year at the time of submission of application.

3. (a) The amount of pension to be paid to a pensioner per month shall be decided by State Government from time to time.

4. **Committees.**—(a) Separate Committees will be constituted for scrutinising the eligibility of women for grant of pension in the rural and urban areas. In the rural areas, the Committee will consist of District Social Welfare Officer or his representative, Circle Revenue Officer & Medical Officer (of Health Department). In the urban areas, the Committee will consist of Officer incharge of the Municipal Committee or the Executive Officer or the Secretary of Municipal Committee and District Social Welfare Officer or his representative and a Medical Officer of Health department.

(b) A District Level Committee comprising of Chief Medical Officer as a Member, District Social Welfare Officer as Member-Secretary and Deputy Commissioner of the District or his representative as Chairman will also be constituted.

5. **Scrutiny.**—(a) In the rural areas, the scrutiny of the eligibility of applicants shall be conducted in the village block itself in an assembly of the village/local Community. The date, time and venue for holding such a meeting shall be fixed by the District Social Welfare Officer sufficiently in advance in consultation with the Circle Revenue Officer concerned. Adequate publicity about the date, time and venue of the meeting as well as criteria of eligibility shall be made by the Circle Revenue Officer/District Public Relation Officer to enable all woman applicants desirous of grant of pension to appear before the Committee. In particular, Circle Revenue Officer will invite Lambardars and other respectable persons of the village.

(b) In the urban areas, the scrutiny of the eligibility applicants residing in one or more municipal wards, may be conducted at a time, in order to facilitate the process of scrutiny. The date, time and venue for holding such a meeting will be fixed by the District Social Welfare Officer in consultation with the officer incharge of Municipal Committee concerned. Adequate publicity will be made by the Officer incharge of the Municipal Committee sufficiently in advance about the date, time and venue of the meeting, Municipal Wards to be covered in a particular meeting and the eligibility criteria. All women applicants desirous of grant of pension shall appear before the Committee for scrutiny. Present as well as former Municipal Commissioners and other respectable persons belonging to the Municipal Wards to be covered in the meeting shall be invited to attend the meeting.

(c) The Committee shall make available application forms to all women desirous of obtaining pension and will also guide them in filling up application forms if necessary. The Committee shall scrutinise each application thoroughly to verify the eligibility of the applicant, for the grant of pension and will take into account all available oral and documentary evidence, for this purpose. Information supplied by respectable persons of the area and the neighbours of the applicants will also be given due weightage by the Committee in forming an opinion about the eligibility of an applicant. The Committee shall exercise reasonable judgement in deciding each case.

(d) In case of those applicants where the Committee is satisfied about the eligibility of applicants for grant of pension, the Committee shall record its sanction and will send the original applications alongwith a list of such applications on a *pro forma* prescribed by the Social Defence & Security Department for this purpose to District Social Welfare Officer for disbursement of pensions.

(a) In those cases where the Committee comes to a definite conclusion that an applicant is ineligible for grant of pension, the Committee shall record its reasons. The Committee will prepare a list of such applications on a *pro forma* prescribed by the Social Defence and Security Department for this purpose and forward the list alongwith original applications to District Social Welfare Officer for record.

(f) In those cases where the Committee entertains serious doubts about the eligibility of an applicant but is not able to come to a definite conclusion, the Committee will prepare a list of such application on a *pro forma* prescribed by the Social Defence and Security Department for this purpose and forward the list of such applications alongwith original applications to District Level Committee for its decision.

(g) The grant of pension shall be conveyed by the District Social Welfare Officers to the women to whom pension has been sanctioned.

6. (a) The District Level Committee shall make a detailed examination of those applications where the Committee for scrutiny has been unable to make clear cut recommendations. It will take into account all available evidence for reaching a conclusion and may also collect or cause to be collected further evidence to come to a decision. The Committee may also subject the applicant to a detailed medical examination in order to ascertain her age. The decision of the Committee shall be final.

(b) The Committee will prepare a list of those applications to whom pension is granted on a *pro forma* prescribed by the Social Defence and Security Department for this purpose and forward this list alongwith original applications to the District Social Welfare Officer for this purpose and forward this list alongwith original applications to the District Social Welfare Officer for disbursement of pension. It will also prepare a list of rejected applications on a *pro forma* prescribed for this purpose by the Social Defence and Security Department and will forward this list to the District Social Welfare Officer alongwith original applications, for record.

7. **Sanctioning of New Cases.**—All fresh applications for claim of pensions received, examined and found eligible during the year will be sanctioned and brought on to the pension rolls on two different dates in a year. Those pension cases found eligible as on 31st of March will be sanctioned and made payable on the 1st of April and those cases found eligible as on 30th September will be sanctioned and made payable on the 1st of October.

8. **Verification of pensioners.**—(i) During its visit to the village/ward for the purpose of verification of fresh applicants Committee for Scrutiny may also investigate if any of the pensioner is no longer eligible for pension. For this purpose, all the existing pensioners will be required to present themselves before the Committee Pension to those women who fail to present themselves before the committee will become liable for suspension.

(ii) In those cases where Committee comes to a definite conclusion that a pensioner is no longer eligible for pension, the Committee will terminate the pension of such beneficiaries and will send intimation to District Social Welfare Officer of such termination, for further necessary action. However, the Committee shall exercise reasonable judgement to decide these cases. The District Social Welfare Officer shall intimate the fact of termination of pension to the pensioner. An appeal shall lie, within 3 months from the intimation of such termination to the District Level Committee against such termination of pension. The decision of the District Level Committee shall be final and will not be subjected to any further investigation.

(iii) In those cases where the pensioner has not presented herself before the Committee and the Committee suspects the eligibility of a pensioner, the Committee may direct District Social Welfare Officer to discontinue further disbursement of pension to such pensioners. District Social Welfare Officer shall issue a notice to the beneficiary asking her to show cause why her pension should not be terminated. If the pensioner fails to satisfy the District Social Welfare Officer regarding her continued eligibility of pension, the pension shall be terminated by District Social Welfare Officer. An appeal shall lie, within 3 months from the intimation of such termination to the District Level Committee against such termination of pension. Otherwise, the pension shall be resumed after the pensioner satisfies the District Social Welfare Officer about her eligibility for pension.

9. **Stoppage of pension.**—(i) Pension shall be sanctioned for the entire life of the applicant. However, the District Social Welfare Officer shall have the right to stop payment of pension, if at any stage it is found that it was sanctioned on a mistaken ground or false information or the condition for which the pension was granted no longer exists.

(ii) Pension shall cease to be payable on the death of a pensioner and if the grantee dies before receiving pension for a particular period, the same shall lapse.

(iii) In case pension is sanctioned on the basis of wrong information given by the applicant, in her application form, the amount given would be recovered as arrears of land revenue. In case of deliberate wrong information, the pensioner shall be liable for prosecution.

(iv) Pension under this scheme shall not be liable to attachment under any court of law.

(v) Pension shall cease to be payable when a woman gets employed or gets any other means of subsistence, whichever is earlier.

10. **Change of address.**—It shall be obligatory for a pensioner to intimate any change of address to the District Social Welfare Officer. A pensioner shifting to a place outside Haryana State for a period exceeding three months shall not be ordinarily eligible for payment of pension during the period of her stay outside Haryana State. However, in case involving real hardships the District Social Welfare Officer may permit payment of pension of such a woman for a period of absence upto one year if he is satisfied that the shifting of residence was absolutely essential for the pensioner.

11. **Mode of payment.**—(a) Pension shall be disbursed through the Patwaris under the supervision of Circle Revenue Officers or by any other means of payment to be decided by the Government from time to time.

(b) The periodicity of payment of pension shall be decided by Director, Social Defence and Security from time to time.

12. No further payment shall be made if the acknowledgement of disbursement/payment has not been received for two consecutive instalments.

(a) The pensions which have remained unpaid for two consecutive instalments or more shall be enquired into by the concerned District Social Welfare Officer who will take necessary action in this regard. Payees acknowledgement shall be recorded and kept under lock and kept by the District Social Welfare Officer till the account have been audited by Accountant General, Haryana.

13. Handling cash payment to the disbursing officials shall be made, as far as possible, through bank drafts issued in favour of them.

14. All the undisbursed amount shall be received by the District Social Welfare Officer concerned. A proper record of such amounts shall be kept in a separate register. The undisbursed amount received back shall be taken in the cash book and the entire amount thus received shall be refundable by short drawal from subsequent pension bill.

15. The Director, Social Defence and Security shall be over all incharge of the "Haryana Pension to Widows and Destitute Women Scheme" and necessary instructions in regard to its proper enforcement and accounting procedure shall be issued by him from time to time.

16. The expenditure on the administration of the "Haryana Pension to Widows and Destitute Women Scheme" including the cost of the money order form/money order commission/computerisation charges or any other expenditure on disbursement of pension shall be debitable to the head of account as prescribed by the Government from time to time.

This issues with the concurrence of Finance Department conveyed,—*vide* their U.O. No. 1/62-86-3 FGII/1847, dated 5th August, 1992.

No. 1921-SW(3)/92.—These rules shall be called "The Haryana Handicapped Persons Pension Rules, 1988" and shall be applicable throughout the State of Haryana. These rules shall come into operation from 1st July, 1991.

2. **Aim.**—The aim of the rules is to provide social security to Handicapped Persons who are unable to sustain themselves from their own resources and are in need of financial assistance from the State.

3. **Eligibility.**—A person in the age-group of 18 years and above shall be eligible for grant of Handicapped Pension if he is a domicile of Haryana State and has been residing in Haryana State for three years at the time of submission of application.

and

His close relative such as parents, sons, son's son are not supporting him and his own income from all sources is less than the income prescribed by Government in this regard.

and

He suffers from one or more of the following handicaps :—

- (a) Total absence of sight.
- (b) Visual acuity not exceeding 3/60 to 10/200 (snellen) in the better eye with correcting lenses.
- (c) A loss of sense of hearing to the extent that it is non-functional for the ordinary purposes of life.
- (d) Orthopaedic handicap with a permanent disability of 70% and above.
- (e) Mental Retardation with I.Q. not exceeding 50.

3-A. The rate of pension shall be decided by Government from time to time.

4. **Committees for Scrutiny.**—(a) Separate Committees will be constituted for scrutinising the eligibility of persons for grant of handicapped pension in the rural and urban areas. In the rural areas, the Committee will consist of District Social Welfare Officer or his representative, Circle Revenue Officer and Medical Officer (of Health Department). In the urban areas, the Committee will consist of officer Incharge of the Municipal Committee or the Executive Officer or the Secretary of Municipal Committee and District Social Welfare Officer or his representative and a Medical Officer of Health Department.

(b) **District Level Committee.**—A District Level Committee comprising of Chief Medical Officer as a Member, District Social Welfare Officer as Member-Secretary and Deputy Commissioner of the District or his representative as Chairman will also be constituted.

5. (a) In the rural areas the scrutiny of the eligibility of applicants shall be conducted in the village/block itself in an assembly of the village/local community. The date, time and venue for holding such a meeting shall be fixed by the District Social Welfare Officer sufficiently in advance in consultation with the Circle Revenue Officer concerned. Adequate publicity about the date, time and venue of the meeting as well as criteria of eligibility shall be made by the Circle Revenue Officer/District Public Relation Officer to enable all applicants desirous of grant of pension to appear before the Committee. In particular, Circle Revenue Officer will invite Lambardars and other respectable persons of the village.

(b) In the urban areas, the scrutiny of the eligibility of applicants residing in one or more Municipal Wards may be conducted at a time, in order to facilitate the process of scrutiny. The date, time and venue for holding such a meeting will be fixed by the District Social Welfare Officer in consultation with the officer Incharge of Municipal Committee concerned. Adequate publicity will be made by the Officer Incharge of the Municipal Committee sufficiently in advance about the date, time and venue of the meeting. Municipal Wards, to be covered in a particular meeting and the eligibility criteria. All persons desirous of grant of pension shall appear before the Committee for scrutiny. Present as well as former Municipal Commissioners and other respectable persons belonging to the Municipal Wards to be covered in the meeting shall be invited to attend the meeting.

(c) The Committee shall make available application forms to all persons desirous of obtaining pension and will also guide them in filling up application forms if necessary. The Committee shall scrutinise each application thoroughly to verify the eligibility of the applicant, for the grant of pension and will take into account all available oral and documentary evidence for this purpose. Information supplied by respectable persons of the area and the neighbours of the applicants will also be given due weightage by the Committee in forming an opinion about the eligibility of an applicant. As a proof of indisability, the applicant will be required to submit to the Committee a medical certificate to be issued by the authority prescribed by the Government for this purpose. This certificate shall be treated as conclusive evidence by the Committee to determine the degree of handicap of the applicant. The Committee shall exercise reasonable judgement in deciding each case.

(d) In case of those applicants where the Committee is satisfied about the eligibility of applicants for grant of pension, the Committee shall record its sanction and will send the original applications on a *pro forma* prescribed by the Social Defence and Security Department for this purpose to District Social Welfare Officer for disbursement of pensions.

(e) In those cases where the Committee comes to a definite conclusion that an applicant is ineligible for grant of pension, the Committee shall record its reasons. The Committee will prepare a list

of such applications on *pro forma* prescribed by the Social Defence and Security Department for this purpose and forward the list alongwith original applications to District Social Welfare Officer, for record.

(f) In those cases where the Committee entertains serious doubts about the eligibility of an applicant but is not able to come to a definite conclusion, the Committee will prepare a list of such applicants on a *pro forma* prescribed by the Social Defence and Security Department for this purpose and forward the list of such applications alongwith original applications to District Level Committee for its decision.

(g) In those cases where the applicant does not produce the disability certificate, but otherwise appears eligible for grant of pension, the Committee shall declare him eligible for grant of pension subject to the production of disability certificate. Camps shall be organised in medical institutions by Chief Medical Officer for facilitating the issue of disability certificate, to such applicants. The District Social Welfare Officer shall be competent to grant pension to such applicants on the production of proper disability certificate.

(h) The grant of pension shall be conveyed by the District Social Welfare Officer to the persons to whom pension has been sanctioned.

6. (a) The District Level Committee shall make a detailed examination of those applications where the Committee for Scrutiny has been unable to make clear cut recommendations. It will take into account all available evidence for reaching a conclusion and may also collect or cause to be collected further evidence to come to a decision. The Committee may also subject the applicant to a detailed medical examination in order to ascertain his age and disability. The decision of the Committee shall be final.

(b) The Committee will prepare a list of those applications to whom the pension is granted on a *pro forma* prescribed by the Social Defence and Security Department for this purpose and forward this list alongwith original application to the District Social Welfare Officer for disbursement of pension. It will also prepare a list of rejected applications on a *pro forma* prescribed for this purpose by the Social Defence and Security Department and will forward this list to the District Social Welfare Officer along with original applications for record.

7. **Sanctioning of New Cases.**—All fresh applications for claim of pensions received, examined and found eligible during the year will be sanctioned and brought on to the pension rolls on two different dates in a year. Those pension cases found eligible as on 31st of March will be sanctioned and made payable on the 1st of April and those cases found eligible as on 30th September will be sanctioned and made payable on the 1st of October.

8. **Verification of pensioners.**—(i) During its visit to the village/ward for the purpose of verification of fresh applicants Committee for Scrutiny may also investigate if any of the pensioner is no longer eligible for pension. For this purpose, all the existing pensioners will be required to present themselves before the Committee. Pension to those persons who fail to present themselves before the Committee will become liable for suspension.

(ii) In those cases where Committee comes to a definite conclusion that a pensioner is no longer eligible for pension, the Committee will terminate the pension of such beneficiaries and will send intimation to District Social Welfare Officer of such termination, for further necessary action. However, the Committee shall exercise reasonable judgement to decide these cases. The District Social Welfare Officer shall intimate the fact of termination of pension to the pensioner. An appeal shall lie, within 3 months from the intimation of such termination to the District Level Committee against such termination of pension. The decision of the District Level Committee shall be final and will not be subjected to any further investigation.

(iii) In those cases where the pensioner has not presented himself before the Committee and the Committee suspects the eligibility of a pensioner, the Committee may direct District Social Welfare Officer to discontinue further disbursement of pension to such pensioners. District Social Welfare Officer shall issue a notice to the beneficiary asking him to show cause why his pension should not be terminated. If the pensioner fails to reply to the notice within a period of three months or fails to satisfy the District Social Welfare Officer regarding his continued eligibility of pension, the pension shall be terminated by District Social Welfare Officer. Otherwise, the pension shall be resumed after the pensioner satisfies the District Social Welfare Officer about his eligibility for pension. An appeal shall lie, within 3 months from the intimation of such termination to the District Level Committee against such termination of pension.

9. **Stoppage of pension.**—(i) Pension shall be sanctioned for the entire life of the applicant. However, the District Social Welfare Officer shall have the right to stop payment of pension, if at any stage, it is found that it was sanctioned on a mistaken ground or false information or the condition for which the pension was granted no longer exists.

(ii) Pension shall cease to be payable on the death of a pensioner and if the pensioner dies before receiving pension for a particular period, the same shall lapse.

(iii) In case pension is sanctioned on the basis of wrong information given by the applicant, in his application form, the amount given would be recovered as arrears of land revenue. In case of deliberate wrong information, the pensioner shall be liable for prosecution.

(iv) Pension under this scheme shall not be liable to attachment under any court of law.

(v) Pension shall cease to be payable when a handicapped person gets employed or gets any other means of subsistence which is earlier.

10. **Change of address.**—It shall be obligatory for a pensioner to intimate any change of address to the District Social Welfare Officer. A pensioner shifting to a place outside Haryana State for a period exceeding three months shall not be ordinarily eligible for payment of pension during the period of his stay outside Haryana State. However, in case involving real hardships, the District Social Welfare Officer may permit payment of pension to such a person for a period of absence upto one year if he is satisfied that the shifting of residence was absolutely essential for the pensioner.

11. **Mode of payment.**—(a) Pension shall be disbursed through the Patwaris under the supervision of Circle Revenue Officers or by any other means of payment to be decided by the Government from time to time.

(b) The periodicity of payment of pension shall be decided by Director, Social Defence and Security from time to time.

12. No further payment shall be made if the acknowledgement of disbursement/payment has not been received for two consecutive instalments.

13. The pensions which have remained unpaid for two consecutive instalments or more shall be enquired into by the concerned District Social Welfare Officer who will take necessary action in this regard.

14. Payees acknowledgement shall be recorded and kept under lock and key by the District Social Welfare Officer till the accounts have been audited by Accountant General, Haryana.

15. Handling cash Payment to the disbursing officials shall be made, as far as possible, through bank drafts issued in favour of them.

16. All the undisbursed amount shall be received by the District Social Welfare Officer concerned. A proper record of such amounts shall be kept in a separate register. The undisbursed amount received back shall be taken in the cash book and the entire amount thus received shall be refundable by short drawal from subsequent pension bill.

17. The Director, Social Defence and Security shall be over all incharge of the "Haryana Handicapped Persons Pension Scheme" and necessary instructions in regard to its proper enforcement and accounting procedure shall be issued by him from time to time.

18. The expenditure on the administration of the "Haryana Handicapped Persons Pension Scheme" including the cost of the money order form/money order commission/computerisation charges or any other expenditure on disbursement of pension shall be debitable to the head of account as prescribed by the Government from time to time.

19. This issues with the concurrence of Finance Department conveyed, —*vide* their U.O. No. 1/62-86-3 FGH/1847, dated 5th August, 1992.

S. K. SHARMA,

Financial Commissioner and Secretary to Government,
Haryana, Social Welfare Department.

[Extract from Haryana Government Gazette (Extra.), dated the 14th September, 1995]

HARYANA GOVERNMENT
SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Notification

The 10th September, 1995

No. 1203-SW(3)/95.—The Governor of Haryana is pleased to substitute Rule 7 regarding sanctioning of new cases of (i) The Haryana Pension to Widows and Destitute Women Scheme Rules 1988-89 and (ii) The Haryana Handicapped Persons Pension Rules, 1988, both issued,—*vide* Haryana Government notification No. 1921-SW(3) 92, dated 24th August, 1992, as under :—

Rule 7 regarding sanctioning of new cases:

All fresh applications for claim of pensions received, examined and found eligible during the month will be sanctioned and brought on roll on the 1st of the month during which the case would be found eligible. The Scrutiny Committee set up under rule 4 would meet atleast once in a month or as frequently as required.

3. This issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department conveyed,—*vide* their U.O. No. 1/62/86-3 FG-II/1517, dated 25th August, 1995.

VEENA EAGLETON,
Commissioner and Secretary to Government, Haryana,
Social Welfare Department.

**HARYANA GOVERNMENT
SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT
NOTIFICATION**

The 24 Feb, 2004

No.146-SW(4)-2004. In partial modification of Haryana, Social Defence and Security Department (Now renamed as Social Justice and Empowerment Department) Notification No. 1921 SW(3)/92 dated 24 August, 1992, the Governor of Haryana is pleased to make the following rules further to amend the "The Handicapped Persons Pension Rules, 1988". These rules shall come into operation with immediate effect:-

- (1) These rules shall be called The Handicapped Persons Pension (second amendment) rules, 2004.
- (2) In rules three of said rules the conditions of eligibility of the grant of pension shall be substituted as under:-

Eligibility- A persons in the age group of 18 years and above shall be eligible for grant of Handicap Pension, if he is a domicile of Haryana State and has been residing in Haryana State for three years at the time of submission of application.

AND

His close relative such as parents, son, son's sons are not supporting him and his own annual income from all sources is not more than minimum wages of unskilled labour as notified by labour department and circulated by department on year to year basis".

AND

- (a) Total absence of sight.
 - (b) Visual acuity not exceeding 3/60 to 10/200(snellen) in the better eye with correcting lenses.
 - (c) A loss of sense of hearing to the extent that it is non- functional for the ordinary purposes of life.
 - (d) Orthopaedic handicap with a permanent disability of 70% and above.
 - (e) Mental Retardation with I.Q. not exceeding 50.
- (3) The section (V) of rules 9 of said rules shall be substituted as under:-

Pension shall cease to be payable when a handicapped person's annual income from all sources exceeds the amount of minimum

wages of unskilled labour as notified by the Labour Department and circulated by department on year to year basis.

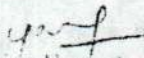
L.S.M. SALINS
Financial Commissioner and Principal Secretary to Govt. of Haryana,
Social Welfare Department,

Endst. No. 146-SW(4)-2004

Dated, Chandigarh the 24-2-04

A copy is forwarded to the following for information and necessary action:-

- 1- The Accountant General, Haryana (A&E) (Audit), Chandigarh.
- 2- Director, Social Justice and Empowerment Department, Haryana, Chandigarh.
- 3- All Deputy Commissioner in the State.
- 4- All District Social Welfare Officer in the State.


Joint Secretary


for, Financial Commissioner and Principal Secretary
to Govt. of Haryana, Social Welfare Department.

Endst. No. 146-SW(4)-2004

Dated, Chandigarh the 24-2-04

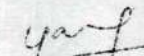
A copy is forwarded to the Controller, Printing and Stationery Department, Haryana, Sector-18, Chandigarh for publishing the notification in the Haryana Government Gazette Part-I.

Five hundred spare copies of the notification may please be supplied to the undersigned at an early date.


Joint Secretary

for, Financial Commissioner and Principal Secretary
to Govt. of Haryana, Social Welfare Department.

A copy is forwarded to the Financial Commissioner and Principal Secretary to Government, Haryana Finance Department (FG-II Br.) with reference to their U.O. No. 1/62 86-3FG-II(2486) dated 6-11-2003.


Joint Secretary

for, Financial Commissioner and Principal Secretary
to Govt. of Haryana, Social Welfare Department.

To

Financial Commissioner and Principal Secretary to Govt.
of Haryana, Finance Department (FG-II)

U.O. No. 146-SW(4)-2004

Dated, Chandigarh the 24-2-04

HARYANA GOVERNMENT
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT DEPARTMENT

Notification

The 27th February, 2017

No. 239-SW(4)-2017- In partial modification of Haryana, Social Defense and Security Department (Now named as Social Justice and Empowerment Department) Notification No. 146-SW(4)2004 dated 24th February, 2004, the Governor of Haryana is pleased to further amend the following rules".

"The Handicapped Persons Pension Second Amendment Rules 2004"

These rules shall come into operation with immediate effect.

1. These rules shall be called "The Haryana Divyang Pension Rules, 2016".
2. In Rules two(2) of said rules the conditions of eligibility of the grant of pension shall be substituted as under:-

Eligibility: - A person in the age group of 18 years and above shall be eligible for grant of handicapped pension, if he is a domicile of Haryana State and has been residing in Haryana State for three years at the time of submission of application

AND

His/her close relative such as parents, son, son's sons are not supporting him and his /her own annual income from all sources is not more than minimum wages of unskilled labour as notified by Labour Department and circulated by department on year to year basis

AND

The Person has a Disability Certificate of 60% or more in prescribed and respective forms as per notification issued by Health Department, Haryana Government bearing No. 28/195/82-6HB-I dated 12th September, 2013 for the disabilities as mentioned in Section-2(i) of the Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995 namely:

- i. Blindness
- ii. Low Vision
- iii. Leprosy Cured
- iv. Hearing Impairment
- v. Locomotor Disability
- vi. Mental Retardation
- vii. Mental Illness

For the purpose of assessment of percentage of disability/s, the notifications of Health Department, Government of Haryana, bearing No. 28/195-82-5HB-I dated 21st March, 1989, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India, Bearing No. 16-18/97-NI.1 dated 1st June, 2001, No. 16-18/97-NI.1 dated 18th February, 2002, No. 16-18/2013-DD-III dated 25th April, 2016 and/or as amended time to time shall be followed.

Dated Chandigarh
the 27th February, 2017

Amit Jha
Principal Secretary to Government, Haryana,
Social Justice & Empowerment Department.

Endst. No. 239 -SW(4)-2017

dated: 27.02.2017

A copy of the above is forwarded to the following for information & necessary action:-

1. The Principal Accountant General (A&E)/(Audit), Haryana, Chandigarh.
2. Director, Social Justice and Empowerment Department, Haryana, Chandigarh.
3. The Director General, Health Services Haryana, Panchkula.
4. All the Deputy Commissioners in Haryana.
5. All Chief Medical Officers in Haryana.
6. Accounts Officer (Budget/Pension), H.Q. Chandigarh.
7. All Treasury Officers in the State.
8. All the District Social Welfare Officers in Haryana.

Raghu bis Singh

Superintendent (SW)
for Principal Secretary to Govt. Haryana
Social Justice & Empowerment Department

Endst. No. : 239-SW(4)-2017

Chandigarh, dated the 27.02.2017

A copy is forwarded to the Controller, Printing & Stationery Department Haryana, Chandigarh for publishing this notification in the Haryana Govt. Gazette and 200 spare copies may please be supplied to the undersigned at the earliest.

Raghu bis Singh

Superintendent (SW)
for Principal Secretary to Government, Haryana,
Social Justice & Empowerment Department

A copy of the above is forwarded to the Additional Chief Secretary to Govt. Haryana, Finance Department with reference to his concurrence issued vide U.O. No. 3/1/2004-3FG-II/41644 dated 11.01.2017.

Raghu bis Singh

Superintendent (SW)
for Principal Secretary to Government, Haryana,
Social Justice & Empowerment Department

To

The Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Haryana,
Finance Department (F.G.-II).

U.O. No.239-SW(4)-2017

dated: 27.02.2017