

IMMEDIATE

No. 1/25/80-PF (P)
Government of India/Bharat Sarkar,
Ministry of Home Affairs/Grih Mantralaya. 2

New Delhi-110 003, the 13th July, 1981.

To

The Accountant General,
Maharashtra,
BOMBAY.

Sub :- Freedom Fighters Pension Scheme, 1972,
now renamed as Swatantrata Sainik
Samman Pension Scheme.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to this Ministry's letter of even number dated 12th December, 1980, on the subject mentioned above and to say while giving some clarifications as sought by the Accountants General in regard to the issue of revised pension payment orders for giving effect to the Government decision to enhance with effect from 1st August, 1980 pension from Rs.200/-per month to Rs.300/-per month of living freedom fighters and from Rs.100/-per month to Rs.200/-per month to the widows of the deceased freedom fighters with additional provision of Rs.50/-for each un-married daughters subject to overall ceiling of Rs.300/-per month, it was requested that necessary instructions may be issued to Treasury Officers to modify the existing Pension Payment Orders in each concerned individual case to effect revision of monthly pension above.

2. Attention is also invited to part (iv) of para I of the letter referred to above wherein it was stated that freedom fighters drawing less than Rs.200/-per month and in cases of widows drawing less than Rs.100/-per month order will be issued from this Ministry in each individual case, after review of their cases for enhancing pension to Rs.200/-per month (living freedom fighters) and Rs.100/-per month (for widows etc. of deceased freedom fighters) with effect from 1/10/1976, the date from which pensioners can draw central pension without adjustment of the amount of State Pension which they could draw in addition. Since these orders in several individual cases have since been issued but there are apparently some cases where pensioners have continued to draw lower rates of pension.

3. I am now directed to convey the sanction of the President to enhance the pension of all the remaining living persons receiving

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Central Pension less than Rs.200/-per month (Rs.100/-in case of widows) which has not been suspended/cancelled to Rs.200/-per month (Rs.100/- per month for widows) with effect from 1st October, 1976 and Rs.300/-per month (Rs.200/-per month for widows) with effect from 1/8/1980 immediately. This is being done to mitigate the hardships of persons whose pensions have remained unenhanced.

Yours faithfully,

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(PREM KAPUR)
Deputy Secretary to the Govt.of India.