OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:- Grant of family pension and gratuity to the families etc. of the Government employees/pensioners who disappeared suddenly and whose whereabouts are not known.

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Department's O.M.No. Fin(C)/3(3)-19/86-Pen dated 10th December, 1986 read with office memorandum of the same number dated 16th May, 1991 on the subject mentioned above and to say that in accordance with the provisions contained in these office memoranda, the families of the employees/pensioners whose whereabouts are not known are paid in the first instance, the amount of salary due, leave encashment and the amount of GPF having regard to the nomination made by the employer and after the lapse of a period of one year other benefits like DCRG and family pension are also paid. The period of one year is reckoned with reference to the date on which FIR is lodged with the police about the disappearance of the concerned employee/pensioner. At present the family pension is sanctioned and paid to the eligible member of the family one year after the date of registering the FIR with the police and no family pension is paid for the intervening period of one year from the date the FIR is lodged to the date the family pension can be sanctioned. This practice is causing hardship to the families. It has now been decided that the family pension, which in pursuance of the earlier orders, will continue to be sanctioned and paid one year
After the date of lodging the FIR will accrue from the date of lodging the FIR or expiry of leave of the employee who has disappeared whichever is later. When the sanction for family pension is issued, the payment of pension from the date of accrual may be authorised. The usual procedure of obtaining the indemnity bond etc. as laid down in the O.M. dated 15th May, 1991 will continue to be followed. While sanctioning payment of family pension, it will be ensured by the concerned authorities that family pension is not authorised for any period during which payment of pay & allowances in respect of the disappeared employee has been made.

Administrative Department are requested to bring it to the notice of all concerned.

[Signature]
Deputy Secretary (Pension) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh

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All Administrative Departments of the Government of Himachal Pradesh.

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