No.Fin(Pen)-E(1)-18/2008-Vol-1. Government of Himachal Pradesh Finance (Pension) Department

From

The Principal Secretary (Finance) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-2.

To

- 1. All Administrative Departments Government of Himachal Pradesh.
- 2. All Heads of Departments Himachal Pradesh.

Dated: Shimla-171002, the 21st April, 2015.

Subject:

SLP (Civil) No. 34038/2012 titled 'Sunder Singh Vs. State of H.P.' arising out of Judgment dated 31.05.2012 of the Hon'ble High Court passed in CWP No. 180/2001 titled 'State of H.P. & Others Vs. Ram Lal & Others' (popularly known as Sarab Dayal case).

Sir,

I am directed to invite your kind attention to this Department letter No.Fin(Pen)E(1)-18/2001 dated 25-08-2012 on the subject cited above and to say that the Hon'ble High Court of Himachal Pradesh in Judgment dated 31.05.2012 delivered in CWP No. 180/2001 titled 'State of H.P. & Others Vs. Ram Lal & Others' had held that Pension Chapter of Civil Services Regulation which governed the employees, earlier stood repealed after enforcement of the Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules,1972 and savings clause in Rule 89 of the 1972 Rules does not save the Office Memorandum No.F.12(1)EV/68 dated 14.05.1968.

Consequently, service rendered on daily waged/contingent basis by the employees before their regularization/grant of worked-charge status cannot be taken into consideration for counting of qualifying service for grant of pension under the Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules, 1972. The copy of Judgment dated 31.05.2012 *ibid* was forwarded to all Administrative Secretaries and Heads of Departments vide letter No.Fin(Pen)E(1)-18/2008 dated 25-08-2012, as referred

to above, with the request to issue necessary directions to all Drawing and Disbursing Officers/ Heads of Offices working under them to comply the Judgment dated 31.05.2012 strictly.

- Apart from the above, as per Rule 2(b) and 2(c) of the CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972, persons in casual & daily rated employment and persons paid from contingencies are specifically excluded from the purview of Rules, *ibid*. Further, Rule 89 of CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972, stipulates that on commencement of these rules, every rule, regulation or other order including Office Memorandum in force immediately before such commencement shall cease to operate. Hence, Government of India O.M. No.F.12(1)EV/68 dated 14.05.1968 stands repealed immediately after commencement of CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972. Therefore, in terms of Rules 2(b), Rule 2(c) and Rule 89 of the CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972 and Judgment dated 31.05.2012 of the Hon'ble High Court, the daily waged and contingent paid service is not to counted for the purpose of pensionary benefits under Pension Rules, 1972, *ibid*.
- Despite the above position, it has come to the notice of Finance Department that some Offices of the Government departments have allowed the benefit of half of the daily paid and contingent paid service for pensionary benefit in pursuance to the Government of India O.M. No.F.12(1)EV/68 dated 14-05-1968, appearing as Government of India decision No.2 below Rule 14 of the CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972 in Swamy's Pension Compilation by Muthuswamy and Brinda Edition, which is totally contrary to the provisions of Rule 2(b) and 2(c) of the CCS(Pension) Rules, 1972 and Judgment dated 31.5.2012 of the Hon'ble High Court delivered in CWP No. 180/2001 titled as 'State of H.P. & Others Vs. Ram Lal & Others'.
- 5. You are therefore, requested to issue strict directions to all Drawing and Disbursing Officers/ Heads of Offices working under your control to abide by the provisions of Rule 2(b) and 2(c) of the CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972 and strictly comply with the Judgment dated 31.5.2012 of the Hon'ble high Court. The copy of

Judgment dated 31.05.2012 ibid is already available with letter dated 25-08-2012 of Department at 'Pension Link' of Finance Department's website www.himachal.gov.in/finance.

Non compliance of above instructions by the Pension Sanctioning Authorities will be viewed seriously.

Yours faithfully,

(Akshay Sood)

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Endst. No.Fin(Pen)-E(1)-18/2008-Vol-1 Dated: Shimla-2, the 21/4/2015. Copy forwarded for information and similar necessary action to:-

- The Divisional Commissioner Shimla, Mandi and Kangra at Dharamshala Himachal Pradesh.
- The Resident Commissioner, Himachal Pradesh, Himachal Bhawan, 27-2. Sikandra Road, New Delhi-110001.
- The Principal Accountant General (Audit) Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-3. 3.
- The Accountant General (A&E) Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-3. 4.
- The Registrar General, H.P. High Court, Ravenswood, Shimla-1. 5.
- The Advocate General, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-1. 6.
- 7. All Deputy Commissioners in Himachal Pradesh.
- All District and Session Judges in Himachal Pradesh. 8.
- 9. All Settlement Officer, Himachal Pradesh.
- 10. All District Treasury Officers/ Treasury Officers in Himachal Pradesh.
- 11. All Controllers/Joint Controllers/ Deputy Controllers (F&A)/Asstt. Controllers (F&A)/ Section Officers (F&A) under the Control of Treasury & Accounts Organization.

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