OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: - Grant of Dearness Relief to Himachal Pradesh Government Pensioners/Family Pensioners - Revised rate effective from 01-07-2016.

The undersigned is directed to refer to this department’s O.M. No. Fin (Pen)B(10)-6/98-III, dated 3rd October, 2016 sanctioning one instalment of dearness relief with effect from 01-01-2016 and to say that the Governor, Himachal Pradesh is pleased to decide that dearness relief payable to the Himachal Pradesh Government Pensioners/Family Pensioners shall be enhanced from existing rate of 125% to 127% w.e.f. 01-07-2016.

2. Payment of Dearness relief involving a fraction of a rupee shall be rounded off to the next higher rupee.

3. Other provisions governing grant of dearness relief to pensioners such as regulation of dearness relief during employment/re-employment, regulation of dearness relief where more than one pension is drawn etc., will remain unchanged. However, in the event of revision of pension/family pension the dearness relief @2% will be admissible on revised basic pension/basic family pension and the difference will be paid in the shape of arrears to the pensioners/family pensioners.
4. These orders shall apply to all H.P. Government Pensioners/ Family pensioners.

5. As dearness relief will now be at a uniform rate, it has been decided to dispense with the issue of enclosing ready reckoner along with the dearness relief orders. It will be the responsibility of the pension disbursing authority, including the Nationalized Banks, etc. to calculate the quantum of dearness relief payable in each individual case.

6. The dearness relief on basic pension & basic family pension @ 127% will be paid with the pension/family pension for the month of January, 2017 payable in the month of February, 2017. The arrears accrued on account of dearness relief w.e.f 01-7-2016 to 31-12-2016 shall be paid in cash in one instalment along with pension/family pension for the month of January, 2017 payable in month of February, 2017.

7. The Accountant General, Treasury Officers and authorized Public Sector Banks are requested to arrange the payment of dearness relief to pensioners on the basis of these orders.

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Joint Secretary (Finance) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh

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