OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Implementation of the recommendation of the Vth CPC regarding conversion of 50% Dearness Relief into Dearness Pension – clarification regarding.

While implementing Ministry of Finance’s O.M. 105/1/2004-IC dt.1.3.2004 certain doubts/clarifications were raised by various Ministries/Departments/PAOs. The matter was examined in consultation with the Ministry of Finance and clarificatory O.Ms. dated 27.1.2005 and 24.2.2005 were issued. On receipt of further doubts the matter was again examined in consultation with the Ministry of Finance and Ministry of Law. The following clarifications are issued in supercession of the O.Ms. dated 27.1.2005 and 24.2.2005:-

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| (1) Whether minimum pension of Rs.1,275/- has been enhanced to Rs.1,913/-? Should this amount be mentioned in PPO? | Minimum basic pension continues to be Rs.1,275/- in respect of those retired upto 31.3.2004. In such cases Dearness Relief equal to 50% of present pension will be merged with pension and shown distinctively as Dearness Pension. However, on conversion of 50% Dearness Allowance into Dearness Pay from 1.4.2004 the basic pension/family pension in case of those retired on/after 1.4.2004 should not be less than Rs.1,913/-.
| (2) Whether re-employed/absorbees are eligible for Dearness Pension if not entitled for Dearness Relief on their pension? | No. Since they are not eligible for Dearness Relief, the question of conversion of 50% Dearness Relief into Dearness Pension does not arise. |
(3) Whether pension should be not less than 50% of the minimum of the scale of the post OR not less than 50% of the minimum of the scale plus Dearness Pay of the post?

From 1.4.2004 pension should be not less than 50% of the minimum of the scale plus Dearness Pay of the post.

(4) Whether recovery of License Fee under Rule 72(6) can be made from Dearness Pension also?

No. Extant rule continues and License Fee will be recovered from Dearness Relief only.

2. In their application to the employees belonging to Indian Audit and Accounts Department these orders issue in consultation with the C&AG.

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All Ministries/Departments to the Government of India/Chief Secretaries and AGs of all States/UTs.