OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Protection of pay to the Central Government Servant consequent to appointment to a new post in different service or cadre in Central Government, through direct recruitment where either higher duties and responsibilities are involved or not, as the case may be, under FR 22-B(1), in the 7th CPC Scenario-regarding.

The undersigned is directed to say that consequent to various references received from Ministries/Departments on protection of pay under FR 22-B(1), a need has been felt to issue guidelines on the manner of fixation of pay in respect of the Central Government Servant who after technical resignation, is appointed to a new post in the different service or cadre in Central Government through direct recruitment where either higher responsibilities are involved or not, as the case may be, in 7th Central Pay Commission scenario.

2. Provisions of FR 22-B(1) inter-alia provide as under:-

"F.R. 22-B.(1) Notwithstanding anything contained in these Rules, the following provisions shall govern the pay of a Government servant who is appointed as a probationer in another service or cadre, and subsequently confirmed in that service or cadre-

(a) during the period of probation, he shall draw pay at the minimum of the time scale or at the probationary stages of the time scale of the service or post, as the case may be:

Provided that if the presumptive pay of the permanent post on which he holds a lien or would hold a lien had his lien not been suspended, should at any time be greater than the pay fixed under the clause, he shall draw the presumptive pay of the permanent post;

(b) on confirmation in the service or post after the expiry of the period of probation, the pay of the Government servant shall be fixed in the time-scale of the service or post in accordance with the provisions of Rule 22 or Rule 22-C, as the case may be:…….

3. Consequent upon the implementation of 7th CPC Report and CCS (RP) Rules, 2016, the President is pleased to allow protection of pay in the light of the provisions laid down under FR 22-B(1) to Central Government employee who is appointed as probationer in another service or cadre either carrying higher responsibilities or not, as the case may be and subsequently confirmed in that service or cadre, in the manner as illustrated below:
(A) MANNER OF FIXATION OF PAY OF GOVERNMENT SERVANT UNDER FR 22-B(1) CONSEQUENT TO HIS APPOINTMENT IN LOWER POST THROUGH DIRECT RECRUITMENT, WHERE HIGHER DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES ARE NOT INVOLVED

A Central Government Employee on his appointment to a post in lower Level in different service or cadre in Central Government which does not carry duties and responsibilities of greater importance than those attached to the post held earlier by him on regular basis before such appointment and having a provision of probation period in new post, may during probation draw the presumptive pay of the post held earlier by him on regular basis, if it is higher than the minimum of the Time Scale of the new post. He would also draw annual increments on such presumptive pay. However, it is to be ensured that during probation, presumptive pay should always be greater than the pay of the new post after drawl of increment(s). Subsequently, on successful completion of his probation, his pay will be fixed under FR 22(l)(a)(2).

Protection of Pay in the above manner should not, at any of these stages, exceed the maximum of the Level of the new post in Pay Matrix.

Illustration

An officer was drawing pay of Rs.78,500 in Cell 6 in Level 11 (with DNI 01.07.2018) before his appointment to a post in Level 10 on 01.04.2018 which does not carry duties and responsibilities of greater importance than those attached to the post held earlier by him before such appointment. There is a provision of 2 years probation period in new post.

Since the first Cell Value in Level 10 (Rs.56,100) is less than the Last Basic Pay i.e. Rs. 78,500/- in Level 11. Hence during probation, he will draw the presumptive pay i.e. Rs.78,500/- in Level 11 and would also draw annual increments according to the pay drawn in his previous post in Level 11.

On 01.04.2018- Rs. 78,500 (Level 11)
On 01.07.2018- Rs. 80,900 (Level 11)
On 01.07.2019- Rs. 83,300 (Level 11)

On successful completion of his probation period and on confirmation w.e.f. 01.04.2020, the pay of the officer would be fixed under FR 22(l)(a)(2). Since no such Cell of Rs. 83,300/- is available in Level 10, his pay would be fixed at next higher cell i.e. Cell 15 in Level 10 at Rs. 84,900 with next date of increment 01.01.2021.

(B) MANNER OF FIXATION OF PAY OF CENTRAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE UNDER FR 22-B(1) CONSEQUENT TO HIS APPOINTMENT TO A POST IN HIGHER LEVEL THROUGH DIRECT RECRUITMENT, WHERE HIGHER DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES ARE INVOLVED

A Central Government Employee on his appointment to a post in higher level in different service or cadre in Central Government carrying duties and responsibilities of greater importance than those attached to the post held earlier by him on regular basis before such appointment and having a provision of
probation period in new post, may during probation draw the presumptive pay of the post held earlier by him on regular basis if it is higher than the minimum of the Time Scale of the new post. He would also draw annual increments on such presumptive pay. However, it is to be ensured that during probation presumptive pay should always be greater than the pay of the new post after drawl of increment(s). Subsequently, on successful completion of his probation, his pay will be fixed under FR 22(l)(a)(1).

Protection of Pay in the above manner should not, at any of these stages, exceed the maximum of the Level of the new post in Pay Matrix.

Illustration

An officer was drawing pay of Rs.58,600 in Cell 10 of Level 7 before his appointment on 01.04.2018 in Level 10 (with DNI 01.07.2018) which carries duties and responsibilities of greater importance than those attached to the post held earlier by him on regular basis before such appointment. There is a provision of 2 years probation period in new post.

Since the first Cell Value of Level 10 (Rs. 56,100) is less than the Last Basic Pay drawn in Cell 10 of Level 7 i.e. Rs. 58,600/-, hence during probation, he will draw the presumptive pay of the post held earlier by him on regular basis and would also draw annual increments in the Level 7 of his previous post as shown below:-

On 01.04.2018- Rs. 58,600 (Level 7)
On 01.07.2018- Rs. 60,400 (Level 7)
On 01.07.2019- Rs. 62,200 (Level 7)

On successful completion of his probation period and on confirmation w.e.f. 01.04.2020, the pay of the officer would be fixed under FR 22(l)(a)(1) read with Rule 13 of CCS (RP) Rules, 2016. Accordingly, an increment will be added in his pay in Level 7 and his pay will reach at Rs. 64,100/- . Since, there is no cell value equal to Rs. 64,100 available in Level 10, his pay will be fixed in Level 10 in Cell 6 at Rs. 65,000/- with next date of increment 01.01.2021.

(C) MANNER OF FIXATION OF PAY OF CENTRAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE UNDER FR 22-B(1) CONSEQUENT TO HIS APPOINTMENT TO A POST IN EQUIVALENT LEVEL POST THROUGH DIRECT RECRUITMENT, WHERE HIGHER DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES ARE NOT INVOLVED

A Central Government Employee on his appointment to a post in Equivalent Level in different service or cadre in Central Government through direct recruitment where higher duties and responsibilities are not involved and having a provision of probation period in new post, may during probation draw the presumptive pay of the post held earlier by him on regular basis. He would also get his increments on such presumptive pay. On successful completion of his probation, his pay will be fixed under FR 22(l)(a)(2). However, Protection of Pay in the above manner should not, at any of these stages, exceed the maximum of the Level of the new post in Pay Matrix.
Illustration

An officer was drawing pay of Rs. 58,600 in Cell 10 of Level 7 before his appointment on 01.04.2018 in the same Level 7 (with DNI 01.07.2018). There is a provision of 2 years probation period in new post.

Since the first Cell Value of Level 7 (Rs. 44,900) is less than the Last Basic Pay i.e. Rs. 58,600/- in Level 7 drawn by Government Servant, hence during probation, he will draw the presumptive pay and also get his increments in the same Level of his previous post as shown below:-

On 01.04.2018- Rs. 58,600 (Level 7)
On 01.07.2018- Rs. 60,400 (Level 7)
On 01.07.2019- Rs. 62,200 (Level 7)

On successful completion of his probation period and on confirmation w.e.f. 01.04.2020, the pay of the officer would be fixed under FR 22(l)(a)(2). Since no increment would be admissible under FR 22(l)(a)(2), there will be no change in his pay on the date of confirmation i.e. 01.04.2020. Accordingly, his pay in Level 7 on 01.04.2020 would be Rs. 62,200 (Level 7) with next date of increment on 01.07.2020, as Level remains same.

4. The above mentioned pay protection under FR 22-B(1) will be available to the Government servant if he holds a lien on his previous permanent post.

5. No stepping up of pay of senior Government servant shall be allowed on the basis of the pay protection granted under FR 22-B(1) to junior Government servants of that particular service/cadre.

6. This order takes effect from 01.01.2016.

7. In their application to the employees of Indian Audit and Accounts Department, these orders are issued after consultation with the Comptroller & Auditor General of India, as mandated under Article 148(5) of the Constitution.

8. Hindi version will follow.

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