# भारत सरकार/ GOVERNMENT OF INDIA संचार मंत्रालय/ MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS दूरसंचार विभाग/ DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS अशोका रोड, संचार भवन/ ASHOKA ROAD, SANCHAR BHAWAN नई दिल्ली- 110001/ NEW DELHI-110001

No. 47-15/TA-II/CPMS/2018/Part-I 1530-60

Dated: 19/05/2020

To.

All Pr. CCAs/CCAs

Sub: Special measure for pensioners-Life certificate

Sir/Madam,

It is to mention that India has been under lockdown since 25th March 2020. Also, Senior citizens like pensioners are, in particular, vulnerable to Covid-19. For generation of Life Certificate (LC), pensioners have to go to either a physical office (physical LC) or Aadhaar Centre /CSC (Digital LC) which will be against the spirit of Lock down.

So, as a special measure for the pensioners, whose LC was expiring on 29<sup>th</sup> Feb 2020 and 31st March 2020, relaxation had been given vide order dated 30<sup>th</sup> March 2020 wherein, pension in such cases was to be paid till April, 2020 and pensioners had to submit the Life Certificate by 31st May 2020.

A review of cases where LC is expiring in April 2020 (pension not payable in May) and May 2020 (Pension not payable in June) has been done. Further in light of extension of lockdown till 31st May 2020, pensioners, whose LC is expiring in April 2020 and May 2020, may find it difficult to submit LC or DLC by conventional methods.

Further the CPAO Circular No. CPAO/Tech/Grievances/2010-11/531 dated 30-06-2011 (Annexure A) provides that a Gazetted Government Servant has the authority to sign a life certificate (point (iii)).

Heñce, Considering the effect of COVID-19 pandemic and the lockdown and in anticipation of the difficulty that would be faced by pensioners in submitting the certificates, as a special measure for pensioners whose LC is expiring on 30<sup>th</sup> April (including pensioners whose LC expiry date was relaxed as per previous order dated 30.3.2020) and 31<sup>st</sup> May 2020, it has been decided that:

1. Pension be paid till month of June and the LC be submitted before 31st July failing which pension shall be stopped.

CCA Offices shall use measures such as video calling amidst the pandemic to satisfy themselves of the liveness of the pensioner and certify their Life Certificates as per existing rules to the extent possible.

Additionally, pensioners must also be informed of the same by SMS and the initiative of CCA offices.

This issues with the approval of Member (Finance).

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# CPAO/Tech/Grievances/2010-11/531

30-06-2011

To

All General Manager Nodal Officer

### Circular

Subject: Amendment to Para 15.2 ( P-11 of Scheme Booklet 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec. 2004) – Submission of Life Certificate-regarding

Reference is invited to Para 15.2 of Scheme Booklet for submission of life certificate in November each year by the pensioner. In order to facilitate submission of Life Certificate by pensioners, Para 15.2 is being amended to include provisions of Rule 343 of Central Treasury Rules(CTR) to be read as Para 15.2(i).

Para 15.2(i) states:

A pensioner who produces a life certificate in the prescribed form in Annexure –XVII signed by any person specified hereunder, however, is exempted from personal appearance-:-

- (i) A person exercising the powers of a Magistrate under the Criminal Procedure code;
- (ii) A Registrar or Sub-Registrar appointed under Indian Registration Act;
- (iii) A Gazetted Government servant;
- (iv) A Police Officer not below the rank of Sub-Inspector in -charge of a Police Station;
- (vi) A Class-I officer of the Reserve Bank of India, an officer (including Grade II officer) of the State Bank of India or of its subsidiary;
- (vii) A pensioned Officer who, before retirement, exercised the powers of a magistrate:
- (viii) A Justice of Peace;
- (ix) A Block Development Officer, Munsif, Tehsildar or Naib Tehsildar;
- (x) A Head of Village Panchayat, Gram Panchayat, Gaon Panchayat or an Executive Committee of a Village;
- (xi) A Member of Parliament, of State legislatures or of legislatures of Union Territory Governments /Administrations.
- (xii) Treasury Officer.

In the case of a pensioner drawing his pension through a Public Sector Bank the life certificate may be signed by an officer of a Public Sector Bank. In the case of a pensioner residing abroad and drawing his pension through any other bank included in the Second Schedule

to the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934, the life certificate may be signed by an officer of the Bank, A pensioner get exemption from personal appearance subject to production of Life Certificate signed by the above mentioned officer of the bank.

A pensioner not resident in India in respect of whom his duly authorized agent produces a life certificate signed by a Magistrate, a Notary, a Banker or a Diplomatic Representative of India is exempted from special appearance.

The contents of the **Para 15.1** (P-11 of Scheme Booklet 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec. 2004) stands unaltered.

It is requested that vide publicity and circulation be given to all the branches of your bank for strict compliance.

This has the concurrence of O/O Controller General of Accounts vide its U.O.No.1(7)(4)/2010/TA/171 dated 18<sup>th</sup> April 2011 and U.O. No.1(7)/CPAO/Scheme Book/2005/TA/254 dt. 28.06.2011.

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30-06-2011

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## Circular

Subject: Amendment to Annexure XVIII-(P-46 of Scheme Booklet 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec. 2004)

Reference is invited to Annexure XVIII-(P-46 of Scheme Booklet 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec. 2004) of Scheme Booklet- Non-Employment/Re-employment Certificate. The existing Serial No. at (B) & (C) may be read as (A) & (B).

This has the concurrence of O/o Controller General of Accounts vide its(CGA's U.O. No.-1(7)(1)2000/TA/377 dated 19.08.2003) & U.O. No.-1(7)/CPAO/Scheme Book/2005/TA/254 dt. 28.06.2011.

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