## No.1/11/2011-P&PW(E) Government of India Ministry of Personnel, PG and Pension Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare

Lok Nayak Bhawan, Khan Market, New Delhi, the 30th November, 2011

## OFFICE MEMORANDUM

\*Sub: Interpretation of dependency criterion for grant of two family pensions under the CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972 — regarding

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Department's O.M. No.45/86/97-P&PW(A)- Part I, dated 27<sup>th</sup> October, 1997 and O.M. No.45/51/97-P&PW(E), dated 5<sup>th</sup> March, 1998 regarding eligibility of dependent parents, sons and daughters for receipt of family pension and the income/dependency criterion prescribed for that Attention is also invited to O.M. No.38/37/08-P&PW(A), dated 2<sup>nd</sup> September. 2008 whereby the dependency criterion has been revised.

- 2. This Department has been receiving communications from various quarters seeking clarification whether in the wake of the Office Memoranda referred to above, second family pension is admissible to a family pensioner who is already in receipt of an amount of family pension which is equal to or more than the dependency criterion.
- 3. It is hereby clarified that family pension admissible to a beneficiary in respect of one deceased employee/pensioner is not to be counted as income for the purpose of determination of eligibility for another family pension, which is admissible in connection with another deceased employee/pensioner. However, any other income/earning of the beneficiary under consideration will be counted towards income for deciding eligibility for family pension.
- 4. It is further clarified that the sum of amounts of family pensions admissible to a family pensioner as indicated above shall be regulated as per Rule 54 (11) (a) of the CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972 as amended from time to time.

5. This issues with the concurrence of Department of Expenditure vide their I.D. No.383/E.V/2011, dated 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2011.

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