GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

PUBLIC SERVICES – Treasuries and Accounts Department – Strengthening of the Directorate of Treasuries and Accounts for effective monitoring of Pensions related work – Creation of one post of Additional Director by upgrading one existing post of Joint Director in Treasuries & Accounts Department, Hyderabad – Orders – Issued.

FINANCE (SMPC) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 272

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ORDER:

In the reference 1st read above, the State Government Pensioners Association, Hyderabad have represented to create a separate Department to redress the grievances of the Pensioners more effectively.

2. But in the reference 3rd read above, the Andhra Pradesh State Government Retired Employees Association stated that the Treasury Officers who are now attending the work of disbursement of pensions to pensioners of various categories i.e. State, Central, Military and of other States besides discharging of the functions entrusted to them as per the Andhra Pradesh Treasury Rules viz. admitting of departmental claims, strong room functions, deposits, compilation of monthly accounts are now under the administrative control of the Director of Treasuries and Accounts. In case a separate Directorate of Pensions is formed they have to be brought under the control of the Director of Pensions too, which is practically not possible, as they have to act upon Treasury functions and as well as payment of pensions as per the directions of the two Heads of Departments. At present the Treasuries and Accounts Department is functioning satisfactorily and attending to the needs of the Pensioners. The creation of the separate Directorate for pensions would result in heavy additional expenditure to the State’s ex-chequer. Therefore, the Association opined that there is no need to create a separate Directorate and requested to drop the proposal of creation of Directorate of Pensions.

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3. The Director of Treasuries and Accounts has informed that he had sent (3) Deputy Directors to Chennai, Gujarat and Madhya Pradesh to study the functioning of the ‘Pension Directorates’ available in those States and it is noticed that very few States have a separate Directorate for Pensions and in most of the States, the Directorate of Treasuries and Accounts itself is doing the job. Even, in the States where there is a separate Directorate, the pension payments are done at the various Sub-Treasuries/District Treasuries only. Since, the pension payments are through the Treasuries, there is no advantage in having a separate Pension Department, as it will lead to multiple channels of reporting hierarchy and additional expenditure with no corresponding benefits. However, the Director of Treasuries & Accounts proposed to create a Pension Cell with the following staff to strengthen the Directorate of Treasuries and Accounts for effective monitoring of Pension related work:

1. Additional Director : 1 Post (by upgrading one existing post of Joint Director in the O/o DTA, in the Pay Scale Rs. 17035 – 29365).
2. Assistant Director : 1 Post (By upgrading one post of APPO).
4. Senior Accountants : 3 Posts (already exists).

4. The Director of Treasuries and Accounts has also proposed to entrust the following duties and responsibilities to the Additional Director (to be created) in the Pension Cell, who will be the Head of the Pension Cell of the Director of Treasuries and Accounts:

1. Monitor the collections/credit to the CPS in respect of Employees recruited after 1.9.2004.
2. Maintain complete database of all the pensioners in the State.
3. Attend to the redressal of grievances of the pensioners.
4. Monitor all the pension fixations due to Pay Revisions etc and watch the recoveries in cases of wrong fixations regularly.
5. Watch inter state suspense adjustments with reference to other state pensioners and to pursue with Accountant General for reimbursement from other State Governments.
6. Sanction of pensions to all departmental officers belonging to the Treasuries and Accounts Department up to the cadre of Joint Directors.
7. Process medical reimbursement claims of all retired Officers / Staff belonging to the Treasuries and Accounts Department.
8. To act as estimating officer for Pension Demand.
10. Obtaining of information from Accountant General and other Pension Payment Order issuing authorities about the PPOs being issued from time to time and reconcile the same with the Treasuries to avoid payment of bogus/forged PPOs.
12. Any other item of work to be entrusted by Government/Director of Treasuries and Accounts.

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5. Government, after careful examination of the matter felt that Assistant Directors are already available in the Office of the Director of Treasuries and Accounts to take up this work and hence there may be no need to create or upgrade the post of Assistant Director, however, the Government hereby order for upgradation of one existing post of Joint Director, O/o Director of Treasuries and Accounts, Hyderabad to that of Additional Director in the Pay Scale of Rs.18025-30765 in the Revised Pay Scales, 2005, for strengthening the Directorate of Treasuries and Accounts for effective monitoring of Pensions related work. The Additional Director shall act as the Head of the Pension Cell of the Directorate of Treasuries and Accounts and attend to the aforesaid duties.

6. The Finance (Admn.I) Department and the Director of Treasuries and Accounts shall take necessary further action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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The Director of Treasuries and Accounts, A.P., Hyderabad.

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