<u>ANNEXURE – I</u>

Shri A.W.K. Langstieh, Dy. Accountant General (A&E)

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D.O. NO.Pension(M)/ST/88-89/573,

Dated Shillong, the 15th September, 1988.

Dear Shri Sinha,

I am to invite your attention to Rules 40(I) (b), 40(3) (a) and 40(3) (b) of the M.C.S. (Pension) Rules, 1983 wherein it has been provided that in the case of a Government servant who dies while in service, his family is entitled to receive DCRG at different rates for (1) less than one year qualifying service, (II) more than one year qualifying service.

As per Rule 10 of the M.C.S. (Pension) Rules, the service rendered by a Govt. servant in a temporary capacity is considered to be "qualifying service" only when the officiating and temporary service is followed without interruption by substantive appointment in the same or another service or post. The term qualifying service as defined, stands in the way of authorizing DCRG to the families of the temporary Govt. servants who died in harness but not confirmed. There are about 30 such cases where family pension payment order has been issued but the authority for DCRG could not be issued for want of confirmation.

It may be mentioned here that the Central Pension Rules are more liberalized in this respect. Families of temporary Central Govt. servants are entitled to DCRG without confirmation vide Govt. of India, Deptt. of pension & Pensioners' Welfare OM.NO.2/1/87-PIC-II, dated 14.4.1987 (copy enclosed).

This is brought to your kind notice and it is requested that the Govt. of Meghalaya may examine this aspect and consider whether any amendment to the M.C.S. (Pension) Rules, 1983 is necessary, keeping in view the benefits admissible, to the families of the temporary Central Govt. servants. A decision in this regard would enable us to finalise the above pending cases.

Shri K.K. Sinha, Special Secretary, Govt. of Meghalaya, Finance Department, Shillong.

Yours Sincerely, Sd/- A.W.K. Langstieh.