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**GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA
FINANCE (PENSION CELL) DEPARTMENT

The 7th August, 2007

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

**Sub : SPECIAL FAMILY PENSION FOR THE STATE GOVERNMENT
EMPLOYEES KILLED IN DISCHARGE OF DUTIES OR IN
CONNECTION WITH DISCHARGE OF DUTIES.**

NO.FEM23/2006/31 - The question of providing adequate financial benefits to the relatives/next of kin of State Government servants killed in discharge of his/her duties has been engaging the attention of the Government. After careful consideration the Government of Meghalaya is pleased to order that the next of kin/relatives of the deceased regular Government servant, whether permanent or temporary, who gets killed while engaged in discharge of duties or for reasons connected with the discharge of duties, will be entitled to draw a Special Family Pension from the date following the date of death of Government servant at the rate of full monthly salary including the increment, dearness allowances and all other allowances as were admissible to the deceased employee at the time of his/her death. This Special Family Pension equivalent to last monthly pay and allowances shall be admissible and allowed to be drawn till the date on which the deceased employee would have normally attained the superannuation age had he remained in service. The Special rate of Family Pension under this O.M. will be in substitution of the normal Family Pension admissible under Meghalaya Civil Services (Pension) Rules, 1983 and not in addition to the normal Family Pension admissible thereunder. From the date following the notional date of superannuation of the deceased employee, the Family Pension would be admissible at the rates under conditions at which it would have normally been admissible under the provisions of the Meghalaya Civil Services (Pension) Rules, 1983.

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The Special Family Pension under this O.M. will be admissible, until the date on which the deceased would have attained the age of superannuation, to the following relatives, as may be applicable, according to order of priority and conditions mentioned below :

- (i) Widow, in the case of male officer, till her death or remarriage whichever is earlier.
- (ii) Husband, in case of female officer, till death or remarriage whichever is earlier.
- (iii) In the absence of widow/husband, minor sons and unmarried daughters below the age of 18 years and 21 years respectively.
- (iv) In the absence of eligible children under (iii) above, parents if they were dependent on the deceased employee officer.
- (v) In the absence of any other one under (iv) above, brothers below the age of 18 years and unmarried sisters below the age of 21 years if they were dependent on the deceased employee.

Normal terms and conditions of Family Pension as per the Pension Rules will thereafter apply from the date on which the deceased would have attained the superannuation age.

On expiry of the period of eligibility of Special Family Pension on the date on which the deceased officer would have attained the age of superannuation, the usual Family Pension under the normal pension rules, would be admissible to the family along with Dearness Allowance, Medical Allowance on Family Pension as may be in force at that time on normal family pension.

All such cases will be considered on merit and sanctioned by the Administration Department concerned with the prior approval of Finance Department for which purpose the proposals with relevant details should be sent to Finance Department.

The benefits of Special Family Pension as extended above shall also be granted to the A.I.S. Personnel serving in the State and killed in similar circumstances obtaining clearance of Government of India.

Other procedures for drawal and disbursal of Family Pension as prescribed in relevant Pension Rules/Treasury Rules shall apply in case of drawal of Special Family Pension under this O.M. also.

This order shall come into force with effect from 4th July, 2007.

Sd/- B.K. Dev Varma, IAS.,
Principal Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,
Finance (Pension Cell) Department.

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Dated Shillong, the 7th August, 2007.

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2. All Heads of Department, Govt. of Meghalaya.
3. Private Secretary to the Chief Minister/Deputy Chief Minister, Govt. of Meghalaya.
4. Private Secretary to the Chief Secretary/Additional Chief Secretary, Govt. of Meghalaya.
5. All Deputy Commissioners, Govt. of Meghalaya.
6. Director General of Police/Inspector General of Police/Superintendents of Police, Govt. of Meghalaya.
7. Under Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya, Cabinet Affairs Department.
8. Director, Printing and Stationery, Govt. of Meghalaya. He is requested to kindly sent to this Department with 500 printed copies.
9. The Accountant General (A&E) Meghalaya, Shillong.

By Order etc.,

(Sd/- S. Kharmawphlang)
Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,
Finance (Pension Cell) Department
