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Granting a monthly allowance of Rs. 5000/- to Public Officers and Pensioners

A decision has been taken at the meeting of the Cabinet of Ministers held on 03.01.2022 to grant a monthly allowance of Rs.5000/- which is not taken into account for the calculation of pension, to all Public Officers and Pensioners with effect from 01.01.2022.

02. Following persons are entitled to receive this allowance.
 - (a). Officers who receive monthly salary serving on permanent/ temporary/ contract basis
 - (b). Officers who serve on daily pay
 - (c). Pensioners
03. Officers on no pay leave are not entitled to this allowance. The officers on leave with half pay are entitled to a half of this allowance.
04. The full allowance should be paid to the employees with daily pay if they have reported for duty on all the days they are required to report for duty and otherwise a payment calculated in proportionate to the number of days they have reported for duty, should be paid.
05. In case where a certain person receives several pensions or widows'/ widower's and orphans' pension along with a pension, such person is entitled strictly to one allowance of Rs.5000/- per month.
06. The pensioners who have been reemployed under existing provisions are entitled only to the allowance paid along with the pension.
07. Director General of Pensions will make further clarifications regarding the payment of this allowance to the pensioners.

08. The Director General of the Department of Public Enterprises will issue further instructions regarding the payment of this allowance to officers in State Corporations and Statutory Boards.

09. Further, the monthly interim allowance of Rs.2500/- paid to all public officers as per the Public Administration Circular 09/2019 dated 22.04.2019 and the cost-of-living allowance paid as per Public Administration Circular 37/2013 dated 31.12.2013 shall remain unchanged.

10. This circular is issued with the concurrence of the General Treasury.

Sgd/ J.J. Rathnasiri
Secretary
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