No. 18(77)/2017/WE/D[Res-I]
Government of India
Ministry of Defence
D/o Ex-Servicemen Welfare
D[WE/Res-I]

221, B-Wing, Sena Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated : 8th July, 2020

To,
The Chief of Army Staff,
The Chief of Naval Staff,
The Chief of Air Staff,

Subject:- Eligibility of Permanently Disabled Unmarried son of an ECHS beneficiary to avail ECHS facility. – reg.

Sir,


2. In terms of this Ministry’s Letter referred above, unmarried permanently disabled and financially dependent sons of ECHS beneficiary, suffering 40% or more of one or more disabilities as specified under Persons with Disability (PWD) Act, 2016, will continue to avail ECHS facilities even after attaining the age of 25 years. At present, in cases where disability has occurred after attaining the age of 25 years, such person is not considered as dependent for availing medical facilities under ECHS.

3. I am directed to refer to Ministry of Health & Family Welfare OM No. 4-24/96-C&P/CGHS[P]/EHS dated 01.01.2020, under which such son(s) above 25 years, in cases where the disability has occurred after attaining the age of 25 years can also be considered as dependent for availing medical facilities under CGHS, subject to fulfilment of all other conditions. In consonance with MoH&FW OM dated 01.01.2020, it has been decided that, in cases where the disability of sons of an ECHS beneficiary has occurred after attaining the age of 25 years can also be considered as dependent for availing medical facilities under ECHS, subject to fulfilment of all other conditions as mentioned in MoH&FW OM No. 4-24/96-C&P/CGHS[P]/EHS, dated 07.05.2018.

4. This issues with the concurrence of Ministry of Defence (Finance/Pension) vide their U.O. No. 32(23)/2017/Fin/Pen dated 05.03.2020.

Yours faithfully,

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