Circular No. 544  
Dated: 04.06.2015

To,

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3. Nodal Officers, ICICI/ HDFC/ AXIS/ IDBI Banks
4. Managers, All CPPCs
5. Military and Air Attache, Indian Embassy, Kathmandu, Nepal
6. The PCDA (WC), Chandigarh
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8. The CDA, Chennai
9. The Director of Treasuries, All States...
10. The Pay and Accounts Officer, Delhi Administration, RK puram and Tis Hazari, New Delhi
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13. The Pr. Pay and Accounts Officer, Andaman and Nicobar Administration, Port Blair

Subject: Grant of Fixed Medical Allowance (FMA) to the Armed Forces Pensioners/ Family Pensioners in such cases where date of retirement is prior to 01.04.2003 and who had opted not to avail medical facilities at OPD of Armed Forces Hospitals/ MI Rooms and are not member of ECHS.


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A copy of GOI, MOD letter No. 1(10)/2009-D(Pen/ Policy) dated 5th May' 2015 is forwarded herewith for immediate implementation. The same has also been uploaded on this office website www.pcdapension.nic.in and may please be downloaded at your end without waiting for the hard copy of the order and action may be taken accordingly.

2. The fixed medical allowance has been enhanced from ` 300/- PM to ` 500/- PM with effect from 19.11.2014. Ex Servicemen who retired after 01.04.2003 have to become member of ECHS compulsorily and are not eligible to draw Fixed Medical Allowance. However, all Pre 01.04.2003 retirees have the option of either joining the Scheme or draw Fixed Medical Allowance as per the extant rates.

3. The other conditions for grant of Fixed Medical Allowance as mentioned in this Office Circular No. 208 quoted under reference shall continue to be in force. PDAs are requested to please review the cases and revise the Fixed Medical Allowance in the affected cases accordingly.

No. Gts/Tech/0164/III,  
Dated: 04.06.2015

(G K Baranwal)  
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Sr. Accounts Officer (P)
No.1 (10)/2009-D(Pen/Policy)  
Government of India  
Ministry of Defence  
Department of Ex-servicemen Welfare  
New Delhi- 110011  
Dated: 5th May, 2015

To

The Chief of the Army Staff  
The Chief of the Naval Staff  
The Chief of the Air Staff

SUB: GRANT OF FIXED MEDICAL ALLOWANCE (FMA) TO THE ARMED FORCES PENSIONERS/FAMILY PENSIONERS IN SUCH CASES WHERE DATE OF RETIREMENT IS PRIOR TO 1.4.2003 AND WHO HAD OPTED NOT TO AVAL MEDICAL FACILITIES AT OPD OF ARMED FORCES HOPITALS/MI ROOMS AND ARE NOT MEMBERS OF ECHS.

Sir,

The undersigned is directed to refer to the Govt. of India, Ministry of Defence letter No. 1(1)/98/D(Pen/Sers) dated 15th June 1998 and letter of even number dated 12th January 2011 regarding grant of Fixed Medical Allowance (FMA) of Rs.300/- p.m. with effect from 1.9.2008 to Armed Forces Personnel/Family Pensioners for meeting expenditure on day to day medical expenses that do not require hospitalization unless the individual had opted for OPD treatment in Armed Forces Hospitals/ M.I. Rooms and convey the sanction of the President for enhancement of the amount of FMA from Rs. 300/- to Rs. 500/-. The other conditions for grant of FMA shall continue to be in force.

2. Ex-Servicemen who retired on or after 01 Apr 2003 have to become member of ECHS compulsorily and are not eligible to draw Fixed Medical Allowance. These orders applicable only in such cases, where the date of retirement is prior to 1.4.2003 and who had opted not to avail medical facilities at OPD of Armed Forces Hospitals/ MI rooms and are not members of ECHS.

3. These orders will take effect from 19.11.2014.

4. All other conditions as laid down in Government of India letter No. 1(1)/98/D(Pen/Sers) dated 15th June 1998 will continue to apply.

5. This issues with the concurrence of the Ministry of Defence (Finance/ Pension) vide their I.D. No. 32(9)/2010/Fin/Pen dated 30.03.2015.

6. Hindi version will follow.

Yours faithfully,

(Prem Parkash)  
Under Secretary to the Government of India.

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