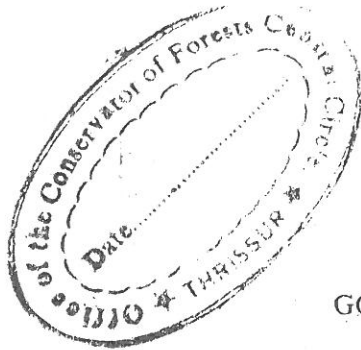


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Abstract

PENSIONERS' MEDICAL BENEFIT SCHEME—PARTIAL MODIFICATION—
INTRODUCTION OF ORDERS ISSUED IN
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM MEDICAL COLLEGE

FINANCE (PWC) DEPARTMENT

G. O. (P) 253/96|Fin. Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 15th March, 1996.

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- Read:—1. G. O. (MS) No. 412/95/Fin. dated 27-6-1995.
2. G. O. (MS) No. 971/95/Fin. dated 7-12-1995.

ORDER

For some time past Government has been considering the introduction of a Medical Benefit Scheme for Pensioners of the State. On this basis, administrative sanction has been issued for such a scheme vide Government order first read above. The detailed scheme has been approved as per Government order cited second.

In partial modification of the scheme, Government propose to make the medical benefit scheme applicable to all state service pensioners without any contribution on their part. In the first phase, the medical benefit scheme will be implemented in the Medical College, Thiruvananthapuram immediately, in the following provisions.

1. All pensioners would be eligible for medicine on production of photo identity cards to be issued by the concerned Treasury Officer.
2. Sanction is accorded for the release of Rs. 25 lakhs to the Superintendent, Medical College Hospital, Thiruvananthapuram for the purchase of medicine etc., for the pensioners' counter opened there. The expenditure on this account is debitable to the provision under "2071-01-800-95-Pensioners' Medical Benefits Scheme" in the current years budget.

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- A State Level Committee is set up with the following members.
- (i) Commissioner and Secretary, Finance Department (Chairman).
 - (ii) Secretary to Government, Health Department.
 - (iii) Secretary to Government, Finance (Expenditure) Department.
 - (iv) Director of Health Services.
 - (v) Director of Medical Education.
 - (vi) Additional Secretary, Finance (Pension) Department (Convener).
 - (vii) Additional Secretary, Health Department.
 - (viii) Four representatives of the Pensioners' Organisations.
 - (ix) Director of Treasuries.

A District Level Committee (Thiruvananthapuram) is set up for nanthapuram District with the following members.

- i) President, District Panchayat (Patron).
- ii) District Collector (Chairman).
- iii) District Medical Officer of Health (Vice Chairman).
- iv) Superintendent, General Hospital, Thiruvananthapuram.
- v) Superintendent, Medical College Hospital, Thiruvananthapuram.
- vi) Superintendent, Ophthalmic Hospital, Thiruvananthapuram.
- vii) Superintendent, T. B. Sanatorium, Thiruvananthapuram.
- viii) Three representatives of the Pensioners' Organisations.
- ix) District Treasury Officer.
- x) Finance Officer, District Collectorate (Convener).

Photo identity cards will be issued to all pensioners from the d Treasuries on realisation of Rs. 10 along with a stamp size

6. In the second phase, the scheme would be implemented in the other Medical Colleges by April 30th 1996.

7. Detailed orders regarding the implementation of the Medical Benefit Scheme in other Medical College Hospitals and District Hospitals, including inter alia the details of financial allotment, constitution of the District Level Committees, list of medicines that will be available in the medical counter, ceiling on value of medicines supplied to each pensioner etc., will be issued separately.

8. It is clarified that the above facility would be in addition to the free medicines and the facilities already available to the pensioners in the Medical Colleges and District Hospitals.

9. Government also accord sanction for the creation of a separate fund for giving financial assistance to pensioners for undergoing inpatient treatment including reimbursement of costs incurred for purchase of costly medicines. Detailed order regarding the corpus of the fund, the rules of procedure, constitution of the Governing Body of the fund etc. will be issued separately.

By order of the Governor,

K. M. CHANDRASEKHAR,
Commissioner & Secretary (Fin.).

To

The Accountant General (Accounts and Entitlements), Kerala,
Thiruvananthapuram.
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The Advocate General, Kerala, Ernakulam (with C. L.).
The Principal, All Medical Colleges.
The Secretary, Kerala Public Service Commission (with C. L.).
The Commissioner & Secretaries, Secretaries, Additional Secretaries,
Joint Secretaries, Deputy Secretaries and Under Secretaries to
Government.
The Secretary to Governor.
The P. A. to Speaker.
The Private Secretaries to Chief Minister and other Ministers.
The Private Secretary to the Leader of Opposition, M. L. A. Hostel,
Thiruvananthapuram.
The Deputy Secretary to the Chief Secretary.