

GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

PENSION-QUALIFYING SERVICE – COUNTING OF AIDED SCHOOL SERVICE PUT IN PRICE TO ENTRY IN GOVERNMENT SERVICE FOR PURPOSE OF PENSION – CLARIFICATION ISSUED.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

G.O. (P) 217/70/Fin.

Dated, Trivandrum 16-4-1970.

- Read: - 1. G.O. (P) 39-68-Fin dated 24-1-1968.
2. Letter No 1087/pen4/68/Fin dated 17-12-1968 to the Controller of Accounts.
3. Letter No. 10857/pen 4/68/Fin dated 2-12-1969 to the Controller of Accounts.

ORDER

Government have ordered in the G.O. read that aided Scholl Service put in by Government servants prior to their entry in Government service will be reckoned as qualifying service for purposes of pension under Government in respect of those who retired on or after 14-11-66, subject to the condition that Government Contribution, if any to their Provident Fund account in respect of aided school service shall be refunded to Government.

2. The Controller of Accounts has missed certain points for clarification regard to the above order. One of the points was as to now past aided school service of Government servants who resigned their aided school service to take up appointment under Government should be reckoned pension under the above Government order. Though resignation of an appointment forfeits past service resignation to take up another appointment does not forfeit past service under rule 33 (a) and (b) Part III Kerala Service Rules. IN cases of resignation to take up another appointment under Government the Officer is allowed only the actual journey time and no he joining time admissible under the rules. ON the same analogy Government have agreed with the Controller of Accounts that in cases where an Officer resigned his aided school service to take up an appointment under Government his past aided school service will count for pension, provided the break if any between his aided school service and the Government service does not exceed actual journey time.

3. It has been brought to the notice of Government that the restriction that the joining time to join Government service on resignation of appointment in aided school should not exceed the actual journey time cause under hardship in many cases in the context of the practice followed previously the matter of relief from aided school service. It has been represented that according to the practice then followed it was incumbent on the part of every teacher seeking relief to accept appointment under Government resign his post in the aided school. At the time of resignation the teachers could not even dream of Government order allowing them the benefits of past aided school service for pension and the imposition of the restriction in question. The imposition of the restriction which is based on the practice followed in Government order. It is also worthy of note that such a restriction is imposed only in cases of resignation. In other cases ie, where termination of aided school service was

due to want of vacancy, etc, there is no such restriction at all. The entire period of actual aided service will be reckoned for pension.

4. Government consider that some modification to the stand also taken is necessary. As resignation of the post in aided school service, consequent on appointment in Government service there should have an earnest attempt on the part of the Officer to join the new post as possible and therefore there should be some restriction. At the same it is also only reasonable that the officer is allowed the same joining time admissible under the rules to Government servants for shifting his family and residence to the new station. The benefit of holidays if any intervening between the date of resignation and date of joining the new post may also be given. Accordingly Government are pleased to order that in cases of resignation of the appointment in aided school service, the break if any between the aided and the Government service should not exceed the joining time admissible under the service rules plus public holidays.

By Order of the Governor,
P.V. KRISHNA PILLAI,
Assistant Secretary/

To,

The Controller of Accounts
All Heads of Departments and Offices
All Departments and Sections of the Secretariat
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The Registrar, University of Calicut (with C.L.)
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The Secretary to the Governor
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