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WELFARE OF SERVICEMEN AND EX-SERVICEMEN—CONCESSIONS GRANTED
BY GOVERNMENT—PROCEDURE FOR UTILISATION—ORDERS ISSUED

PUBLIC (POLITICAL & MILITARY B) DEPARTMENT

G. O. Ms. 286/66/PD.

Dated, Trivandrum, 8th July 1966.

- Read:—1. Letter D. O. No. A/01924/AG/PS. 5(C)/6388/AS/65 dated 23-7-1965 from the Additional Secretary, Government of India, Ministry of Defence.
2. Letter No. 16(17)/66-PRG dated 7-4-1966 from the Government of India, Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Co-operation (Departments of C. D. & C.)

ORDER

In the letter read as first paper above the Government of India, Ministry of Defence have stated that the families of service personnel and their widows and orphans are not availing themselves of the various concessions and facilities granted by the State Governments, and that on account of their isolation and illiteracy they may not even be aware of those concessions. Even if they are aware of the concessions, they may not know the proper procedure to be followed for obtaining these concessions. There is also the danger that non-entitled persons may exploit these families with a view to utilising some of the concessions themselves. The Government of India therefore consider it essential that all the concessions available and the exact procedure to be followed by the concerned individuals for obtaining them should be widely publicised.

The Government of India have suggested that the families of Servicemen and Ex-servicemen and in particular the widows and orphans should be looked after by local organisations viz. Village Panchayats and Block Development Officers, and that the latter may be asked to provide the necessary liaison between the higher organisations of the State Government and the families of service personnel and to ensure (i) that the concessions granted by Government are fully availed of by those who are entitled

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to them, and (ii) that their legitimate grievances promptly redressed. The particulars regarding servicemen of different Districts will be made available to the D. S. S. & A. Boards by the Army authorities to the extent possible.

The Government have considered the question in detail, and are pleased to order that the D. S. S. & A. Boards will supply the information about the Ex-servicemen, servicemen and widows and orphans of the jawans who were killed in action/missing to the concerned Village Panchayats, Block Development Officers and Extension staff who will provide the necessary liaison with Ex-servicemen, servicemen and their widows and orphans with a view to rendering necessary assistance to them. Stress should, however, continue to be laid on agricultural production programmes by the Block Development Officers and the Extension staff.

By order of the Governor,
T. S. RAMAKRISHNAN,
Assistant Secretary.

To

All Heads of Departments.
All Sections of the Secretariat.
The Registrar, Kerala University (with C. L.)
The Registrar, High Court, Ernakulam (with G. L.)
The General Manager, Road Transport Corporation (with C. L.)
The Secretary, Kerala State Electricity Board (with C. L.)
The Secretary, Kerala Public Service Commission (with C. L.)
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