

GOVERNMENT OF KERALA
Finance (Pension-A) Department
CIRCULAR

No. 59/2001/Fin.

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 3rd October, 2001.

Sub:-Pension-Payment of penal interest at the market rates in case of delayed Settlement-issue of NLC and LPC-Clarification-Regarding.

Ref: -1. Government Circular No. 31/85/Fin. Dated 10-4-1985.

2. Judgment dated 31/1/2000 in the O.P. No 32080/99 filed in the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala.

Government have issued detailed instructions/orders from time to time for the expeditious settlement of pensionary claims. But still delay is noticed in certain cases and thereby Government is forced to pay penal interest. It has come to the notice of the Government that Pension Sanctioning Authorities and Head of Departments are sending NIC in respect of pensioners in ordinary post, without obtaining any acknowledgement.

This in turn may result in belated claim of Pensionary Benefits from the Treasury by the Pensioner for which Government are forced to pay interest for the belated period even after N.L.C. issued. An instance has come to the notice of the Government in which the Honorable high court has awarded interest even after issuance of N.I.C. till pensionary claims are drawn from treasury months later as the department could not produce conclusive evidence as to the dispatch of N.L.C. to the Treasury Pensioner.

In the circumstances, all Pension sanctioning Authorities and Head of Departments/Treasuries are directed to send NLC/LPC of Pensioners, under Certificate of posting or under registered post with Acknowledgement due in future to avoid the recurrence of such as instance in future.

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To

The Principal Accountant General (Audit), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Accountant General (A&E), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.

All Heads of Departments.

All Departments and Sections of Secretariat.

The Registrar, Kerala Agriculture University, Thrissur (with C.I.).

The Registrar Sanskrit University, Kaladi, Ernakulum (with C.I.).

The Registrar, High Court of Kerala, Ernakulum (with C.L.)/

The Registrar University of Kerala, Calicut/Cochin/Mahatma Gandhi etc.(with C.L.)

The General Manager, Kerala State Road Transport Corporation , Thiruvananthapuram
(with C.L.)

The Secretary, Kerala State Electricity Board, Thiruvananthapuram (with C.L.)

The Secretary, Kerala Public Service Commission, Thiruvananthapuram (with C.L.).

The NORKA Department.

The Secretaries, Additional Secretaries, Joint Secretaries, Deputy Secretaries and Under
Secretaries to Government.

The Secretary to Government.

The Private Secretary to the Chief Minister and other Ministers.

The Private Secretary to Honorable Speaker.

The Private Secretary to Deputy Speaker.

The Private Secretary to the Leader of Opposition.

The Director of Public Relations, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Additional Secretary to Chief Secretary.

The Director of Treasuries, Thiruvananthapuram.

All District Treasuries and Sub Treasuries.