## **GOVERNMENT OF KERALA**

## Abstract

Pension – Ex-servicemen Employed after the 31<sup>st</sup> October 1947 – Counting of war service for purposes of civil pension - Orders issued

## POLITICAL AND MILITARY (B) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS No.528 /65/PD

Dated, Trivandrum, 19<sup>th</sup> July, 1965.

- Read:- 1. Letter No.SB.8-1284/59. Dated the 19<sup>th</sup> December, 1959, from the Secretary, State Soldiers, Sailors and Airmen's Board, Trivandrum.
  - 2. Letter No.9-(1)64/3453/D-Pensions/Services) dated the 28<sup>th</sup> March 1964, from the Government of India, Ministry of Defence

## ORDER

The existing orders regulating the concession to count war service for purposes of pension in respect of ex-Army personnel, are those contained in R.Dis.No.9278/50, dated the 21<sup>st</sup> April 1951. These orders have been incorporated in Rule 7 (b) of Part III of the Kerala Service Rules.

- 2. The Secretary, State Soldiers', Sailors' and Airmen's Board, had forwarded to Government, with his letter read above, a resolution passed by the State Soldiers, Sailors' and Airmen's Board, requesting that the entire Army services of Ex-servicemen might be taken into account for purposes of civil pension. The pensionary liabilities for military service devolve on the Defence authorities and those for war service devolve on the Civil authorities.
- 3. The Government of India, who were consulted in the matter, have agreed to the provisions of the orders existing for the civilian employees of the Central Government, in regard to the counting of war/military services for purposes of pension, etc., being made applicable by the State Government to their employees. But, it has been made clear that the pensionary charges in respect of war services cannot be borne by them and that these charges have to be entirely borne by the Government of Kerala. The Government of India have further clarified that the term 'war service' refers to service

rendered during World war II, i.e., between the 3<sup>rd</sup> September 1939 and 1<sup>st</sup> April 1946, in the Army, Navy and Air Force of India, or in similar Forces of a Commonwealth country, by enlisted personnel/Commissioned Officers. Service rendered in the Civil Defence Department, as specified in the Ministry of Finance, Office Memoranda No. F.3-(43)-EV/A/60, dated the 8<sup>th</sup> December 1960, and No.F.3-(8)-EV/A/62, dated the 8<sup>th</sup> May 1962, and also service rendered in the Central Government office Departments mentioned in the Home Ministry's Press Communiqué dated the 14<sup>th</sup> November 1944, come under 'war service'.

4. As it is about two decades since the termination of the Second World War, and as the concession proposed covers cases of retirement/ death both prior to and after the 22<sup>nd</sup> April 1960, the proposal, if sanctioned by Government, will mean that all past cases will have to be re-opened. Government having gone into all aspects of the question, have decided that the proposal for further concession in respect of counting war service for purposes of civil pension, will be dropped.

By Order of the Governor

K.VASU MENON, Deputy Secretary.

To

All Heads of Departments and Offices

All Departments (all Sections) of the Secretariat. (Including Finance Department and Law Department, and the Legislature Secretariat)

The Registrar High Court, Ernakulam (with C.L.)

The Registrar University of Kerala, Trivandrum (with C.L.)

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

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

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