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No. S.11011/2/2008-CGHS (P)

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Revision of rates of subscription under Central Government Health Scheme due to revision of pay and allowances of Central Government employees and revision of pension/ family pension on account of implementation of recommendations of the Sixth Central Pay Commission.

The undersigned is directed to invite reference to the Office Memoranda, No S-11011/18/99-Desk.I/CGHS(P) dated the 3rd July 2000; and No: S-11011/6/98-CGHS(P) dated the 27th May, 1998, 20th September, 2004 and 28th October, 2005, issued by the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, vide which orders were issued revising the rates of monthly subscription for availing CGHS facility, as also the entitlement for free diet, entitlement of accommodation in private empanelled hospitals under CGHS, etc. On the basis of the recommendations of the Sixth Central Pay Commission, pay and allowances of serving employees and pension of civil pensioners/ family pensioners have been revised by the concerned authorities.

2. The upward revision of pay/ pension of doctors and other staff in the CGHS has increased the cost of operating the Central Government Health Scheme. **It has, therefore, been decided to revise the rates of subscriptions, to be made by employees/ pensioners, for availing benefits under the CGHS, with effect from 1st June, 2009.** It has also been decided to revise the monetary ceiling limits for various entitlements of the beneficiaries for availing CGHS facilities.

3. In supersession of all earlier instructions, the following revisions are being made, in so far as it relates to the facilities mentioned below;

(A) Monthly Contributions for availing CGHS facility:

S .NO.	Grade pay drawn by the officer	Contribution (Rupees per month)
1	Upto Rs.1,650/-per month	50/-
2	Rs.1,800/-; Rs.1,900/-; Rs.2,000/-; Rs.2,400/-; and Rs.2,800/- per month	125/-
3	Rs.4,200/-per month	225/-
4	Rs.4,600/-; Rs.4,800/-; Rs.5,400/-; and Rs.6,600/-per month	325/-
5	Rs.7,600/- and above per month	500/-

(B) Entitlement of wards in private hospitals empanelled under CGHS:

S.No.	Ward entitlement	Pay drawn in pay band
1	General Ward	Upto Rs. 13,950/-
2	Semi-private ward	Rs.13, 960/- to Rs. 19,530/-
3	Private ward	Rs.19,540/- and above

(C) Monetary Ceiling for Free Diet:

The monetary ceiling for free diet for CGHS beneficiaries is revised to pay/ pension/ family pension of Rs. 7, 450/- per month.

(D) Monetary ceiling for free diet for beneficiaries suffering from TB or mental disease):

The monetary ceiling for free diet in case of beneficiary suffering from TB or Mental disease is revised to pay/ pension /family pension of Rs. 11, 160/- per month

(E) Pay slab for determining the entitlement of Nursing Home facilities in government/ State Government/ Municipal Hospitals:

The monetary-ceiling for determining the entitlement of nursing home facilities in Central Government/ State Government/ Municipals Hospitals is revised to pay/ pension/ family pension Rs.13, 950/- per month and above

(F) Monetary Ceiling for direct consultation with Specialists in Central Government/ State Government / Municipal Hospitals:

The monetary ceiling for determining the entitlement for direct consultation with Specialists in Central Government/ State Government/ Municipal Hospitals is revised to pay/ pension / family pension of Rs. 33,480/- per month and above.

(G) Pay slab for determining the entitlement of accommodation in AIIMS, New Delhi:

The revised entitlement, be revised as per the pay drawn by the officials, as given below:

S.No.	Pay (in the pay band)/Pension/ Family Pension drawn per month	Ward entitlement
1	Upto Rs.19,530/-	General Ward
2	From Rs.19,540/-to Rs. 25,110/-	Private Ward
3	Rs. 25,120/- and above	Private ward/ Deluxe Ward

4. It is clarified that the reference to pay in this order relates to the pay drawn in the pay band.

5. Pensioners have an option to get their CGHS pensioner card made by either making CGHS contribution on an annual basis (twelve months) or by making contribution for 10(ten) years [120 (one hundred and twenty) months] for getting a pensioner CGHS card with life-time validity. It is clarified that:

- (i) Contributions to be made by pensioners/ family pensioners would be the amount that they were subscribing at the time of their retirement or at the time of death of the Government servant;
- (ii) Pensioner beneficiaries, who have already obtained CGHS card with life time validity by paying a lump sum amount equivalent to 10 years' contribution, will not be required to pay any additional amount as a result of the revision in the rates of contribution for availing CGHS facility;

- (iii) Entitlement of pensioners/ family pensioners. who have already deposited their contribution for life time CGHS facility, will not be changed;
- (iv) Pensioners/ family pensioners who are contributing to the CGHS on an annual basis and wish to continue to avail CGHS benefits will have to contribute at the revised rates upto the time of contribution needed to cover a period of a total of ten years from the time pensioner CGHS card was issued for the first time to them. The revised rate of contribution for the remaining period would be with reference to the grade pay that he/ she would have drawn in the post held by him/ her (at the time of his / her retirement / death) had he / she continued to be in service now but for his / her retirement/ death; and
- (v) Any pensioner/ family pensioner who is entitled to avail CGHS facility has not so far got his / her pensioner CGHS card made, the rate of contribution in such cases will be with reference to the grade pay that he / she would have drawn in the post held by him/ her (at the time of his / her retirement/ death) had he / she continued to be in service now but for his / her retirement / death.

6. This issues with the concurrence of the Department of Expenditure vide its' Office Memorandum, No: 18(1)/EV/2009 dated the 17th April, 2009.

7. Hindi version will follow.

Sd/-
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