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General Managers,
All Zonal Railways/PUs

Sub: Revision of Pension Payment Orders as per 7th CPC recommendations.
Ref: 1. Board(FC)'s letter no. 2016/AC-II/21/8/Pt-III dated 5.9.2017.
2. Board(MS)'s letter no. 2016/AC-II/21/8/Pt.IV dated 16.11.2017 (RBA no. 163/2017)

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Please recall letters under reference, wherein all General Managers were urged to pursue revision of PPOs of pre-2016 pensioners, on a priority basis for time bound completion of the exercise. While considerable progress has since been achieved, there are still more than 3.58 lakh PPOs to be revised.

Out of the 12,11,042 cases in ARPAN Pension Master, only 804646 cases have been initiated for revision by the Personnel Branch of the Zonal Railways/PUs. The gap between records available on ARPAN and cases initiated by the Personnel Department is a matter of grave concern. Efforts in this direction will need to be intensified for achieving the target of 100% revision. I would urge all GMs to deploy adequate personnel to reconcile and sanitize ARPAN data with service records and monitor the progress weekly till the revision exercise is completed.

I understand that in the absence of service records and sanitized data, ARPAN had populated details of old PPOs on to the portal, taking recourse to debit scrolls. These cases will need to be reconciled with service details available at the earliest and revision initiated. It is reiterated that this progress is being monitored at the Apex Level of Government of India. Besides, Department of Expenditure is reviewing the progress made in this regard at frequent intervals and has also been emphasizing to identify the bottlenecks hindering the desired progress and take remedial action to ensure quick and prompt payment of revised pension to the pensioners.

While it is noteworthy that some of the Production units viz., ICF, RWF etc have completed the process of revision on their units, several Zonal Railways/PUs are still lagging behind in this exercise. Time-bound revision of PPOs and updating of Pension Master in ARPAN is a pre-requisite to accurate reconciliation of pension debits received.

It is therefore imperative that Personnel Department and Accounts Department work in close coordination with each other to complete revision of pension cases in a time bound manner.

I look forward to a rapid increase in pace of pension revision by all Zonal Railways.

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