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22 April, 2016

Dear Raksha Mantriji,

Sub: Representations received on anomalies in One Rank One Pension particular to ranks of Major & Equivalent and EC/SSC Captain

I have received representations from two veterans pointing out anomalies and discrepancy in pensions specific to the ranks of Major (and equivalent) and EC/SSC Captain (enclosed herewith).

These particular anomalies pertaining to these ranks have also been brought to my attention by many veterans in the course of my meetings with exservicemen from time to time. I believe these anomalies must be taken up and corrected by the One Man Judicial Committee set up to look into the removal of anomalies in the implementation of the One Rank One Pension scheme.

Therefore, I request you to kindly include it in your Ministry's representation to the One Man Judicial Committee.

Sincerely,

RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR

Shri Manohar Parrikar Hon'ble Minister of Defence Government of India New Delhi

Encl: Two representations received from veterans

REPRESENTATION 1 RECEIVED FROM SQ LDR S S RAWAT VIA EMAIL

From: S.S Rawat [mailto:rawathysel@yahoo.co.in]

Sent: 25 March 2016 13:49

To: Rajeev Chandrasekhar <rc@rajeev.in>

Subject: OROP MAJORS & EQUIV

Dear Sir,

I am a retired SQ LDR of the Indian Air Force. Retired after 36 yrs. 05 months active service and my qualifying pensionable service is 36 yrs. 05 months. But OROP of Sqn Ldr and equivalent in Army / Navy has been fixed for only up to 22 yrs. of service at Rest. 23815/- and it is same for 22 yrs. to 33 yrs. of Qualifying Service. THIS MEANS OROP HAS NOT BEEN CATERRED FOR OFFICERS OF MAJOR RANK & EQUIV WITH MORE THAN 22 YRS QUALIFYING PENSIONABLE SEVICE. This is a big ANOMALY /injustice to all those Majors & equiv who got retired on superannuation after putting more than 22 yrs. of active service.

In 6th CPC pay scale of Sqn. Ldr and equiv is Rs. 15600-325-39100. To reach to maximum of the scale an officer has to serve more than 50 yrs. Then why OROP is catered for / restricted to up to 22 yrs. service only. It must be for full qualifying pensionable service as per the PPO.

Secondly, why OROP is same for 22 yrs. to 33 yrs. of service. Every year there is increment of Rs. 325/- in basic pay as per the 6th CPC. This means basic pay for 33 yrs. service will be more than that of 22 yrs. service. And so, officer with 33 yrs. of service will get Rs. 4225/- more basic pay + plus dearness allowance on that, than those having 22 yrs. of service. This means as per current rate of DA 125%, an officer with 33 yrs. of service will get Rs. 10506/-(BP + DA) more pay than an officer of 22 yrs. of service. Therefore, OROP pension for 33 yrs. service should be at least Rest. 5253/-(50 % of Rs. 10506/-) more than that of 22 yrs. service.

Thirdly, my qualifying service for pension is 36 yrs. 05 months as per the PPO that means I am eligible for full pension. By catering / restricting OROP up to 22 yrs. service only, Government has denied me pension for my full qualifying pensionable service and I am afraid, if this serious ANOMALY is not corrected now immediately, it will adversely affect fixation of my pension on implementation of the 7th CPC.

I request your kind attention and help to initiate suitable action immediately, to remove this injustice and anomaly. If this serious anomaly / injustice is not corrected now, it will worsen the plight of Majors & equiv already suffering due to bureaucratic apathy.

Thank you and best regards:

S.S. Rawat (M) 9818826921

REPRESENTATION 2 RECEIVED FROM CAPT U C ARORA VIA EMAIL

From: uday arora <ucarora@yahoo.com>

Date: Mar 27, 2016 7:26:47 PM

Subject: OROP revision for EC/SSC officers (Al 6/S/65)

To: rajeev.c@nic.in

Respected Rajeev Jee,

You are doing a Great Service to the Neglected Veteran Community which is well acknowledged by all.

There is a small hand full number of "Captains' Rank" who have got Pre-Commission Service to their credit & have taken part in both major wars of 1965 & 1971.

I wish to request you to consider the following anomalies in OROP Table 5 (Page 9-10) of MOD, DESW letter dtd 3 Feb 2016 :

- a. Rate of pension is same for QS 14 to 20 yrs for Capts i.e.Rs15175/-pm
- b. LT and CAPT rate of pension is same for all QS.
- c. There is huge gap between Captain and Major rate of pension at QS 14 to 20 yrs i.e. Captain-Rs15175/-pm and Major Rs.26385/-pm whereas.

In today's context of TS promotion rule I would have been a Major in my 6th year of service having 5 increments at 10 years plus service. (Details given below).

My service details:

PPO No:

M/2285/81

Service No.

SS23341-X

Name

Capt U C ARORA

DOB:

03 Jul 1945

Air Force (Pre-Comm)

17 Oct 1963 - 05 Sep 1970 (7 Yrs)

Army

06 Sep 1970 - 14 Nov 1980 (10 Yrs 2months)

Uniform weightage

05 Years.

d. Our Category of pension is not enhanced to 50% similar to other categories.

Thanks & warm Regards,

Capt U C ARORA 8600520781