



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

GENERAL PROVIDENT FUND (KERALA) RULES—WITHDRAWALS FROM THE
PROVIDENT FUND—SANCTIONING OF TA/NRA—MODIFICATION TO RULE
16(1)d(i), 17(i), 28B(i)—ORDERS ISSUED.

FINANCE (PROVIDENT FUND) DEPARTMENT

G. O. (P) 323/2000/Fin.

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 14th February, 2000.

Read:— (i) G.O. (P) 1464/99/Fin. dated 14-6-1999.

(ii) D.O. No. FMI/1-5/99-2000/305 dated 22-7-1999 from
Senior Accounts Officer, Office of the Accountant General
(A&E), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.

ORDER

As per Government order read as (i) above, general orders were issued fixing upper monetary limit for sanctioning TA/NRA by different categories of sanctioning authorities. The upper monetary limit fixed therein is subject to GPF (K) Rules.

As per R. 16(i)d(i) of GPF (K) Rules, an advance shall not, except for special reasons to be recorded in writing, be granted in excess of three months' pay or half the amount at credit of the subscriber in the fund whichever is less. As per R. 28B(i), Non-refundable advance withdrawn by a subscriber shall not ordinarily exceed one half of such amount or six months pay whichever is less. The Head of Department may however sanction withdrawal of TA/NRA in excess of this limit upto $\frac{3}{4}$ th of the balance at credit in the fund. Because of this authorities below Head of Department may not be able to sanction TA/NRA as stated in the order dated 14-6-1999. This is causing undue hardship to subscribers and sanctioning authorities. A.G. has presently given direction to all officers under control that all officers below Head of Department is empowered to sanction TA/NRA only upto 50% of credit balance and sanctions based on the order dated 14-6-1999 are being objected. Accountant General vide letter read as 2nd reference above has requested to expedite the issue of modification of Rules in the form of a Government Order.

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Moreover, as per Government Order dated 14-6-1999, only Head of the Department is empowered to sanction TA/NRA as per rules without monetary limit. Some of the Head of Department like DPI, DCE having large number of staff have found it difficult to sanction all cases of TA/NRA beyond 1 lakh.

Considering the points mentioned above and the fact that the provisions relating to delegation of power to sanction TA/NRA among different categories of officers and provisions of R. 16(1)d(i), 17(1) and 28B(i) are reciprocal in nature, Government are pleased to modify R. 16(1) d(i), 17(1) 28B(i) in the following manner;

R.16(1)d(i):— "An advance shall not be granted in excess of 75% of credit balance (subject to $\frac{3}{4} \frac{a-b}{4}$ formula). The amount of advance that can be sanctioned by each sanctioning authority shall be subject to delegation of power granted to him. Where 75% of credit balance (subject to $\frac{3}{4} \frac{a-b}{4}$ formula) exceeds 1 lakh, the Head of the Department or other officers authorised on this behalf by Government in Finance Department may sanction the same without monetary limit."

Rule 17(1):— "An advance shall be recovered from the subscribers in such number of equal monthly instalments as the sanctioning authority may direct but such number shall not be less than 12 unless the subscriber so elects or not more than 36. The monthly rate of refund of consolidated advance shall be fixed in multiples of Rs. 10 except in the case of the last instalment. A subscriber may, at his option repay two or more instalments in a month."

Rule 28B(i):— "Any sum withdrawn by a subscriber at any one time for one or more of the purposes specified in Rule 28A from the amount standing to his credit shall not exceed 75% of credit balance. The amount of NRA that can be sanctioned by each sanctioning authority shall be subject to delegation of powers granted to him. When 75% of credit balance exceeds 1 lakh, the Head of the Department or other officers authorised on this behalf by Government in Finance Department may sanction the same without monetary limit having due regard to the object for which the withdrawal is being made".

The orders shall have effect from 14-6-1999.

By order of the Governor,
K. I. RAMAKRISHNAN,
Additional Secretary (Finance).

To

The Accountant General (Accounts and Entitlements), Kerala,
Thiruvananthapuram.
The Principal Accountant General (Audit), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram,
All Heads of Department and Offices.
All Departments and Sections of the Secretariat.
The Registrar, High Court, Ernakulam (with C.L.).
The Registrar, University of Kerala/Calicut/Cochin and Kottayam
(with C.L.).
The Advocate General Kerala, Ernakulam (with C.L.).
The Registrar, Kerala Agriculture University, Mannuthy, Thrissur
(with C.L.).
The Secretary, Public Service Commission (with C.L.)
The Chairman, Kerala State Electricity Board, Thiruvananthapuram.
The Managing Director, Kerala State Road Transport Corporation,
Thiruvananthapuram (with C.L.).
The Secretaries, Additional Secretaries, Joint Secretaries, Deputy
Secretaries and Under Secretaries to Government.
The Secretary to Governor.
The Private Secretary to the Chief Minister and other Ministers.
The P.A. to Speaker.
The Private Secretary to the Leader of Opposition, M.L.A. Hostel
Thiruvananthapuram.
The Additional Secretary to the Chief Secretary.
