

GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Sainik Welfare Department-Enhancement of Exgratia to the dependents of defence personnel killed in action and the financial assistance to wounded defence personnelsanction accorded-Orders Issued.

General Administration (Sainik Welfare) Department

G.O. (MS) No. 87/98/GAD: Dated, Thiruvananthapuram 12-2-1998.

Read 1. G.O. (P) 435/71/PD dt. 13-12-1971.

- 2. G.O. (P) 135/72/GAD dt. 6-4-1972.
- 3. G.O. (Ms) No. 380/77/GAD dt. 15-11-1977.
- 4. G.O. (Ms) No. 73/85/GAD dt. 19-2-1985.
- G.O. (Ms) No. 200/88/GAD dt. 27-5-1988.
- 6. G.O. (Ms) No. 498/92/GAD dt. 28-9-1992.
- G.O. (Ms) No. 289/97/GAD dt. 24-9-1997.
- Second Report on the Scrutiny of Demand for grants 1997-98 by the subject Committee VIII.
- Letter No. 3345/SW4/97/DSW dt. 29-8-1997 from the Director, Dept. of Sainlk Welfare, Thiruvanenthapuram.

ORDER

As per the Government Orders 1st and 3rd read above, orders were issued sanctioning immediate grant of Rs. 5000/- each to the dependents of defence personnel killed in action and exgratia grant varying from Rs. 1000/- to Rs. 5,000/- to wounded service personnel in the conflicts of 1962, 1965 and 1971, belonging to Kerala. Government have subsequently extended this benefits to the BSF personnel who participated in the conflicts in 1971 and to the dependents of defence personnel killed/wounded in OP Rakshak, OP Blue Star, IPKF and OP Meghdoot as per the Government Orders read as 2nd and 4th to 6th papers above. As per the request of the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, this benefit was also extended to the personnel to the

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Central Para Military Forces belonging to Kerala, who were killed/disabled in Military operations and to the personnel of Central para Military Force killed/disabled while serving in Kerala who belong to other States, as per the G.O. read as 7th paper above.

- 2. The subject Committee VIII in its second report on Scrutiny of Demands for grants for the year 1997-98 recommended to enhance the ex-gratia amount of Rs. 1000/- to Rs. 5000/- being paid to soldiers who are wounded in action. The director of Sainik Welfare in his letter read above has recommended that to the amount shall be increased to five times and there will be an additional commitment of Rs.2 lakhs for this purpose.
- 3. Government have examined the proposal in detail and are pleased to enhance the exgratia amount fixed for payment to the dependents of the defence personnel killed/died in action from Rs. 5000/- to Rs. 15,000/- and the financial assistance to the wounded defence personnel, considering the gravity of wounds, from Rs. 1000/- Rs. 5000/- to Rs. 3000/- to Rs. 15,000/- who belong to Kerala, with immediate effect.

By order of the Governor

K.K. Vijayakumar Secretary to Government