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Sub: Freezing of Dearness Allowance.

Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways (PHRD Division) in their letter dated 07.01.2021 has clarified that due to crisis arising out of COVID-19, additional Instalments of Dearness Allowance(DA)/Dearness Relief(DR) payable to all employees/pensioners of Major Port Trusts/Dock labour Boards/KPL drawing pay/pension as per IDA Patterns due for 01.10.2020, 01.01.2021 & 01.04.2021 shall not be paid. DA/DR at rate w.e.f. 01.07.2020 will continue to be paid. As and when the decision to release the future instalments of DA/DRA due form 01.07.2021 is taken by the Government, the rates of DA/DR as effective from 01.10.2020, 01.01.2021 & 01.04.2021 will be restored prospectively and will be subsumed in the cumulative revised rate effective from 01.07.2021.

Further, it is stated that no arrears of Dearness Allowance(DA) for the period from 01.10.2020 till 30.06.2021 shall be paid. If DA/DR w.e.f. 01.10.2020 has been released then it shall be recovered and adjusted from future payments.

Hence percentage of Dearness Allowance(DA)/Dearness Relief(DR) payable for the period from 01.01.2021 till 31.03.2021 to all Officers/employees/pensioners will be paid at the rate of 18.41% as applicable for the quarter i.e July, 2020 to September, 2020.

In respect of those employees retired/ retiring during the period from October, 2020 to June, 2021 Gratuity, Encashment of unavailed Earned Leave and Half Pay leave on retirement will be computed by considering **D.A.** at the rate of 18.41 % for Class I & II Officers, Class III & IV employees.

- For information

Financial Advisor & Chief Accounts Officer

To, All HOD's

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