

No.17(4)/2008(1)/D(Pen/Policy)  
Government of India  
Ministry of Defence  
Department of Ex-Servicemen Welfare

New Delhi, 20<sup>th</sup> January, 2009

To

The Chief of the Army Staff  
The Chief of the Naval Staff  
The Chief of the Air Staff

**Subject:-** IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GOVERNMENT  
DECISION ON THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE  
SIXTH CENTRAL PAY COMMISSION – REVISION OF  
PENSION OF PRE 1.1.2006 ARMED FORCES  
PENSIONERS/FAMILY PENSIONERS.

The undersigned is directed to refer to Annexure-II to this Ministry's letter No.17(4)/2008(1)/D(Pen/Policy) dt 11.11.2008 as amended vide this Ministry's letter of even number dated 11.12.2008 on the above subject matter and to state that in the said Annexure-II, pension and family pension in respect of Col. & Brig is higher than that of Maj. Generals and Lt. Generals due to non inclusion of the element of Military Service Pay (MSP) in the case of Maj. Generals and Lt. Generals. This anomaly has been reviewed and it has been decided that keeping in view the fact that Col./Brig. have been placed in PB-4 and MSP of Rs.6,000/- is reckoned in their case for the purpose of stepping up of the pension/family pension, the pension of Maj. Generals/Lt. Generals may also be regulated under para 5 of the Ministry's above quoted letter dt 11.11.2008 so as to ensure that consolidated pension is not lower than 50% of the minimum of the PB-4 (Rs.37,400/-) plus grade pay of Rs.10,000/- plus notional MSP of Rs.6,000/- in the case of Maj. Generals & equivalent and not lower than 50% of the minimum of PB-4 (Rs.37,400/-) plus grade pay of Rs.12,000/- plus notional MSP of Rs.6,000/- in the case of Lt. Generals & equivalent, where the pensioners have full qualifying service including weightage. Hence, for the purpose of stepping up, the pension of pre 1.1.2006 retirees with qualifying service of 33 years will be Rs.26,700/- in the case of Maj. Generals & equivalent and Rs.27,700/- in the case of Lt. Generals & equivalent. Pension to those Commissioned Officers retired with qualifying service including weightage of less than 33 years, will continue to be proportionate to the full pension based on their actual qualifying service with weightage.