OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:- Implementation of the recommendations of Seventh Central Pay Commission relating to Headquarters Special Pay/Special Allowance admissible to officers of the Organized Group ‘A’ services on their posting in their respective Headquarters — reg.

This Department’s OM No. 2/22(A)/2008-Estt(Pay-II) dated 3rd September, 2008 provided for rates of Headquarters Special pay/ Special Allowance admissible to officers of the Organized Group ‘A’ services on their posting in their respective headquarters.

2. As provided in para 7 of Ministry of Finance (Department of Expenditure)’s Resolution No.1-2/2016-IC dated 25th July, 2016, the matter regarding allowances (except Dearness Allowance) based on the recommendations of the 7th Central Pay Commission (CPC) was referred to a Committee under the Chairmanship of Finance Secretary and until a final decision thereon, all allowances have been paid at the existing rates in the existing pay structure.

3. The decision of the Government on various allowances based on the recommendations of the 7th CPC and in the light of the recommendations of the Committee under the Chairmanship of the Finance Secretary has since been issued as per the Resolution No.11-1/2016-IC dated 6th July, 2017 of Department of Expenditure.

4. As mentioned at SI.No. 76 of the Appendix-II of the said Resolution dated 6th July, 2017, the recommendation of the 7th CPC for abolition of Headquarters Allowance has been accepted by the Government and this decision is effective from 1st July, 2017. Accordingly, the President is pleased to abolish the Headquarters Special Pay/ Special Allowance in respect of officers of the Organized Group ‘A’ services on their posting in their respective Headquarters.

5. Accordingly, the entitlement and payment of Headquarters Allowance is discontinued from the salary of the month of July, 2017. A copy of Department of Expenditure’s OM No.29/1/2017-E.II (B) dated 11th July, 2017 on Payment on account of discontinued allowances is enclosed for reference.

6. In so far as persons serving in the Indian Audit & Accounts Department are concerned, these orders issue after consultation with the Comptroller & Auditor General of India.

Encl : A/a

(Pushpender Kumar)
Under Secretary to the Government of India

To

All Ministries/Departments of Government of India, as per standard list.
OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:- Payment on account of discontinued allowances — regarding.

The undersigned is directed to inform that the recommendations of the 7th CPC on allowances have been accepted by the Government with 34 modifications. Resolution in this regard has been published on 6th July, 2017.

2. In this regard, attention is drawn to Para 8.2.5 of the Report of the 7th CPC wherein it has been mentioned that any allowance, not mentioned in the Report (and hence not reported to the Commission), shall cease to exist immediately. In case there is any demand or requirement for continuation of an existing allowance which has not been deliberated upon or covered in this report, it should be re-notified by the Ministry concerned after obtaining due approval of Ministry of Finance and should be put in the public domain.

3. As the recommendations of the 7th CPC on allowances have come into effect from 1st July, 2017, disbursement of all existing allowances which have not been specifically recommended for continuation in terms of the Resolution dated 6th July, 2017 shall be discontinued from the salary of the month of July, 2017.

4. In view of the nature of the Allowances specific to Ministry of External Affairs, these allowances were not covered by the 7th Central Pay Commission. Hence this order will not be applicable to allowances specific to Ministry of External Affairs.

5. It shall be the responsibility of the Heads of the Department to ensure that no bills relating to disbursement in respect of such allowances is drawn by the Head of Office/Drawing & Disbursing Officers under their purview/jurisdiction. Pay and Accounts Officers shall ensure that no payment is effected if any such bill relating to the disbursement of the discontinued allowances is submitted to them. If such bills are received, they should be returned to the DDO and intimation thereof shall also be given to the Head of the Department and the Chief Controller of Accounts.

(Annie George Mathew)
Joint Secretary to the Government of India

To

1. Joint Secretary(Admin./Estt.), all Ministries/Departments
2. All Financial Advisors