OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:- Special concessions to Central Government Employees working in Kashmir Valley in attached/subordinate offices or PSUs falling under the control of Central Government.

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Department’s O.M. No. 18016/3/2011-Estt.(L) dated 27th February, 2014 on the subject mentioned above and to state that it has been decided by the competent authority to extend the package of concessions/incentives to Central Government employees working in Kashmir Valley for a further period of two years w.e.f. 01.01.2014. The package of special incentives for the year 2014 will continue to be the same as in 2013 and the package from 01.01.2015 to 31.12.2015 has been revised. The package for two years is as per Annexure.

2. The package of incentives is uniformly applicable to all Ministries/Departments and PSUs under the Government of India and they should ensure strict adherence to the rates prescribed in the package. The concerned Ministry/Department may ensure implementation and monitoring of the package in conformity with the approved package, and therefore, all Court cases in which verdicts are given contrary to the package would have to be contested by the Ministries/Departments concerned.

Encls: As above.

(Mukul Ratra)  
Director

To

All Ministries/Departments of the Govt. of India. (As per list)

3. Secretaries to Union Public Service Commission/Supreme Court of India/Lok Sabha Sectt./Rajya Sabha Sectt. /Cabinet Sectt. /Central Vigilance Commission/President’s Sectt./Vice-President’s Sectt./Prime Minister’s Office/Planning Commission/Central Information Commission.
4. All State Governments and Union Territories.
5. Governors of all States/Lt. Governors of Union Territories.
6. Secretary, National Council (Staff Side), 13-C, Feroz Shah Road, New Delhi.
7. All Members of the Staff Side of the National Council of JCM/Department Council.
8. All Officers/Sections of the Department of Personnel & Training/Department of Pension & Pensioners Welfare.
11. NIC, DOP&T to upload on the website.

(Mukul Ratra)
Director
ANNEXURE


DETAILS OF PACKAGE OF CONCESSIONS TO CENTRAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES WORKING IN KASHMIR VALLEY IN ATTACHED/SUBORDINATE OFFICES OR PSUs FALLING UNDER THE CONTROL OF CENTRAL GOVERNMENT.

[Kashmir Valley comprises of ten districts namely, Anantnag, Baramulla, Budgam, Kupwara, Pulwama, Srinagar, Kulgam, Shopian, Ganderbal and Bandipora]

I. ADDITIONAL H.R.A. AND OTHER CONCESSIONS :

(A) Employees posted to Kashmir Valley:

(i) These employees have an option to move their families to a selected place of their choice in India at Government expense. T.A. for the families allowed as admissible in permanent transfer inclusive of transportation of personal effects, lump-sum payment for packing etc.

(ii) Departmental arrangements for stay, security and transportation to the place of work for employees.

(iii) HRA as for Class ‘Y’ city applicable for employees exercising option at (i). Such employees will be eligible for drawing the normal HRA as well at their place of posting provided Departmental arrangement is not made for his/her stay.

(iv) The period of temporary duty extended to six months. For period of temporary duty daily allowance at full rate is admissible, apart from departmental arrangements for stay, security and transportation.

(B) Employees posted to Kashmir Valley who do not wish to move their families to a selected place of residence :

II. PER DIEM ALLOWANCE FOR THE YEAR 2014:

A per diem allowance of Rs.10/- is paid for each day of attendance to compensate for any additional expense in transportation to and from office etc. This will be in addition to the transport allowance, which the employee is otherwise eligible for under Ministry of Finance order No. 21(2)/2008-E.II(B) dated 29.08.2008.

III. MESSING FACILITIES FOR THE YEAR 2014:

Messing Allowance to be paid to the employees at a uniform rate of Rs.15/- per day by all Departments, or in lieu messing arrangements to be made by the Departments themselves. This rate of allowance will have to be adhered to uniformly by all the Ministries/Departments with effect from 01.07.1999. The slightly higher rate of Rs.25.50/- adopted by the Department of Telecom and Posts and allowed to be continued as a special case by the Department of Personnel in consultation with the Ministry of Finance, would, however, continue to be paid at the said rate.
IV **PER DIEM ALLOWANCE FOR THE YEAR 2015:**
The per diem allowance of Rs. 10/- paid for each day of attendance to compensate for any additional expense in transportation to and from office etc. is raised to Rs. 50/- per day at par with the above reimbursement of travel charges for travel within city.

V **MESSING FACILITIES FOR THE YEAR 2015:**
Messing allowance of Rs. 15/- & 25.50 is revised at par with rates of ration money given to CAPFs personnel i.e. Rs. 85.96.

VI. **PAYMENT OF MONTHLY PENSION TO PENSIONERS OF KASHMIR VALLEY:**
Pensioners of Kashmir Valley who are unable to draw their monthly pensions through either Public Sector Banks or PAO treasuries from which they were receiving their pensions, would be given pensions outside the Valley where they have settled, in relaxation of relevant provisions.

**NOTE :-**
1. The package of concession/facilities shall be admissible in Kashmir Valley comprising of ten districts namely, Anantnag, Baramulla, Budgam, Kupwara, Pulwama, Srinagar, Kulgam, Shopian, Ganderbal and Bandipora.
2. The package of concessions/facilities shall be admissible to Temporary Status Casual laborers working in Kashmir Valley in terms of Para 5(i) of the Causal Laborers (Grant of Temporary Status and Regularization) Scheme of Government of India, 1993.
3. The benefit of additional HRA admissible under the Kashmir Valley package shall be admissible to all Central Government employees posted to Kashmir Valley irrespective of whether they are natives of Kashmir Valley, if they choose to move their families anywhere in India subject to the conditions governing the grant of these allowances.
4. The facilities of Messing Allowance and Per Diem Allowance shall also be allowed to natives of Kashmir Valley in terms of the Kashmir Valley package.