

(To be substituted bearing the same No. and date)

No. 16/24/86-6GS-II

From

The Chief Secretary to Government, Haryana, Chandigarh.

To

- (i) All Heads of Departments,
- (ii) All the Commissioners of Divisions, Deputy Commissioners and S.D.Ms. (Civil) in the State.
- (iii) All the District and Sessions Judges.
- (iv) The Registrar, Punjab and Haryana High Court, Chandigarh.

Dated Chandigarh. the 25-3-87.

Subject: ---Delegation of powers under ex-gratia scheme to the Heads of Departments-payment to the members of the family of deceased Govt. employees.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to State Government letter No. 9054-4GS-70/32230, dated 22nd December, 1970 on the subject noted above and to say that the State Government introduced Ex-gratia Scheme on 22nd December, 1970 for the welfare of the bereaved family of deceased Govt. employee of Haryana State who died while in services. Under this Scheme the ex-gratia to be given to the family of the deceased Govt. employee is equivalent to 10 times of the last drawn monthly emoluments excluding house rent allowance drawn by the deceased Govt. employee subject to minimum of Rs. 10,000/- and maximum of Rs. 25,000/-. This grant is given to assist the dependent members of the destitute family of a deceased Govt. employee at such a critical juncture. The Chief Secretary was competent to sanction this grant in favour of the dependant of the destitute family of a deceased Govt. employee, whereas Deputy Secretary (Protocol) was Drawing and Disbursing Officer under the relevant Head.

The matter regarding delegation of powers under the ex-gratia scheme to the Heads of Department has been under consideration of State Government for some time past. The State Govt. on the recommendations of Administrative Secretaries have decided to delegate the financial powers in the matter to all the Heads of Departments in order to avoid delay in making payment to the dependents of the destitute family of deceased Govt. employee at the critical juncture. These financial powers quo class I and II employees will also vest in the Heads of Deptts. instead of Administrative Secretaries under this Scheme. The Heads of Deptts. will be competent authority to sanction the ex-gratia grant to the dependent member of the destitute family of a deceased Govt. employee and will also function as Drawing and Disbursing Officer under the Scheme as well as under the relevant head of this grant viz. "2235-Social Security and Welfare-200-other Scheme (X) Ex-gratia grant to the heirs of Govt. employees." They may however, authorise any officer of his Deptt. to work as D.D.O. under this Scheme. As such there will be no need to refer the cases to the Administrative Secretaries for conveying their sanction qua Class I and Class II employees before releasing payment to the destitute family of a deceased Govt. employee.

The other matters regarding providing employment, medical facilities, education facilities and retention of Govt. house for a period of one year will remain under the Administrative control of Chief Secretary to Govt., Haryana in G.S. II Branch as before.

The funds for this purpose will be released to all the Heads of Departments by Govt. for making payment to the claimant of deceased Govt. employee. They are, therefore, requested to send their demands accordingly by 31-3-87.

These orders will come into force with effect from 1-4-1987.

The procedure regarding conveying sanction preparing bills, drawing payment from banks and making disbursement to the claimant of deceased Govt. employee will be explained separately to all the Heads of departments.

The approval of the Finance Department has been obtained in the matter vide their U.O. No. 3