

GOVERNMENT OF KERALA
Abstract

AD HOC BONUS AND SPECIAL FESTIVAL ALLOWANCE 2007-2008 TO STATE GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES AND PENSIONERS – ORDERS ISSUED.

FINANCE (LOANS) DEPARTMENT

G.O. (P) No.390/2008/Fin.

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 30- 08-2008.

Read: - G.O. (P) No.370/2007/Fin. dated 14-8-2007.

ORDER

Government are pleased to sanction Ad hoc Bonus/Special Festival Allowance to the State Government Employees, Employees of Aided Educational Institutions, Full-time Contingent Employees and other categories of Staff subject to the conditions specified in this order.

Ad hoc Bonus

2. All State Government employees (including Personal Staff of Ministers, Speaker, Deputy Speaker, Leader of the Opposition and Chief Whip), All India Service Officers working in connection with the affairs of the State, Employees of the Aided Educational Institutions, Staff of the Local Bodies and employees of Panchayat Raj Institutions etc. drawing total emoluments up to and including Rs.7,750 per month in the Revised and Pre revised scale of pay as on 31-3-2008 will be paid ad hoc bonus for the year 2007-2008 at the rate of one month's emoluments for March 2008 before the ensuing Onam Festival subject to the following conditions.

- (i) The total emoluments of the employees should not exceed Rs.7,750/- per month as on 31-3-2008.
- (ii) For those drawing emoluments of more than Rs.2,500 per month and not exceeding Rs.7,750/- per month, the Adhoc bonus will be calculated as if the emoluments were Rs.2,500 per month. In the case of those who have opted to come over to the revised scales of pay on or before 31.03.2008, the term "emoluments" will mean and include Basic Pay, Personal Pay, Special Pay, Special Allowance, Personal Allowance, and Dearness Allowance at 38% of the basic pay in the revised scale, but will not include House Rent Allowance and other Compensatory Allowances. The rate of Dearness Allowance for the purpose of this order will be that sanctioned vide G.O (P) No.220/08/Fin dated 22-05-2008 (38%). The personal allowance sanctioned to protect drop in Dearness Allowance in Special Pay will also be reckoned as emoluments for computing Ad hoc bonus. In the case of employees who were on leave without allowance, half pay leave, study leave or leave not due during the month of March 2008, their Ad hoc bonus will be calculated based on the emoluments last drawn by them before proceeding on leave.

3. In the case of those who have opted to remain in the Pre-revised scale even on 31.03.2008, the term "emoluments" shall mean and include Basic Pay, Personal Pay, Special Pay, Personal Allowance and Dearness Allowance at 97% of the basic pay in the pre revised scale vide G.O (P) No.220/08/Fin dated 22-05-2008

4. The Ad hoc bonus will be admissible to such employees who were in service on 31-3-2008 and have at least 6 months continuous service during the financial year

2007-2008. Those who have retired or even relieved from service on or before 31-3-2008 and had put in 6 months continuous service during the financial year 2007-2008 will also be eligible for Ad hoc Bonus/Special Festival Allowance as the case may be.

5. The following categories will also be eligible to receive Ad hoc bonus:
- (a) The NMR and permanent workers/labourers and seasonal workers of all departments including those working in Agricultural farms, Seed farms, Regional Workshop etc. (for calculation of Ad hoc bonus variable dearness allowance will also be taken into account in the case of employees drawing variable dearness allowance).
 - (b) The employees of Government Presses will be given option either to draw bonus as admissible to other Government employees as per these orders or the performance allowance (including ex-gratia allowance if any) payable to industrial workers as usual. No revision of options will be allowed if the employee exercises any one of the above options.
 - (c) The provisional employees who got regular appointments through the P.S.C. without break, provided they were in service on 31-3-2008 and have at least 6 months continuous service during the financial year 2007-2008.
 - (d) Teachers who were in aided school service and got regular appointments in Government Schools through the P.S.C without break, provided they were in service on 31-3-2008 and have at least 6 months continuous service during the financial year 2007-08.
 - (e) Part-time Teachers of Education Department who are drawing pay in a scale of pay.
 - (f) Regular employees who were under suspension during the whole, or part of the year 2007-2008 will be eligible for Ad hoc Bonus/ Special Festival Allowance provided they have been reinstated in service on or before the date of issue of this order and the period of suspension is treated as duty or eligible leave and have drawn full salary for that period.
 - (g) Government employees who are working in Corporations/Public Sector Undertakings or Boards on deputation basis provided they are otherwise eligible for Ad hoc bonus. Ad hoc bonus will be paid to them at the rate admissible to them had they continued in the parent Department.

Special Festival Allowance

6. The following categories of employees who are not eligible to draw bonus will be paid Special Festival Allowance @ Rs.1100/-
- (i) Those employees drawing total emoluments above Rs.7,750/- in the revised and in the pre-revised scale per month on 31-3-2008 and who are not eligible to draw Ad hoc bonus in terms of Para 2 to 5 above.
 - (ii) All regular/temporary employees including personal staff of Ministers, Speaker, Deputy Speaker, Leader of the Opposition and Chief Whip and who joined service after 1-10-2007 and who are in service on the date of issue of this order and all regular P.S.C. hands who joined duty before fourth Onam of 2008.
 - (iii) Teachers deputed for training from Aided/Government Schools who are eligible for Onam Advance under Article 250 of the Kerala Financial Code Volume. I
 - (iv) Re-employed pensioners

- (v) Employees on contract appointments.
 - (vi) Provisional hands recruited through Employment Exchange who are in service on the day before the First Onam (11.09.2008) but whose services are not terminated before the Fourth Onam (14-09-2008) irrespective of their length of service.
 - (vii) All the teaching and non-teaching staff of Aided Anglo-Indian Schools which have not been brought under the direct payment system.
 - (viii) Staff of the Shri Chitra Home.
 - (ix) Honorary Physicians of Government Ayurveda Colleges.
 - (x) Honorary Sisters in Government Hospitals.
 - (xi) Chainmen of the Revenue Department on daily wages.
 - (xii) Permanent labourers in Government Departments.
 - (xiii) Full-time contingent employees in Government Department, Local Bodies and the contract employees of Kerala House, New Delhi. Those who have put in 6 months continuous service on 31-3-2008 will have option to claim either Ad hoc Bonus or Special Festival Allowance.
 - (xiv) Editor and Reporters of Indian Law Reports (Kerala Series)
 - (xv) Government Pleaders and Additional Government Pleaders.
7. The following categories of staff will be paid Special Festival Allowance @ Rs.425/-
- (i) Pollination workers who are in the list of Agriculture Department and the workers under the scheme of spraying to control leaf rot disease of coconut palms implemented through Panchayat/Municipalities/Corporations who are on the rolls of Agriculture Department and are now employed by Local Bodies under instructions from the Agriculture Department.
 - (ii) Cattle improvement assistants in the Dairy Development Department.
 - (iii) Public Counsel
 - (iv) Life Guards of Tourism Department who are on daily wages.
 - (v) Family Planning Voluntary Workers who have worked at least 30 days during the period from the last Onam holidays to the ensuing Onam holidays and Part-time contingent employees on daily wages recruited from the category of Family Planning Voluntary Promoters of Trained Dais.
 - (vi) 'Scheduled Tribes Promoters' (ST Promoters) working in the Scheduled Tribes Development Department and Scheduled Caste Promoters (SC Promoters) working in the Scheduled Caste Development Department.
 - (vii) Employees on daily wages who are in service before the first Onam (ie.11-09-2008) and whose services are not terminated before the fourth Onam ie 14-09-2008).
 - (viii) Persons acting as substitutes in the place of regular employees in Government Departments, Farms and Local Bodies and the Casual Labourers/C.L.R. Workers including those in Irrigation Department/H.R. Workers of Irrigation Department provided they have put in 30 days work during the last one year beginning from the last Onam holidays to the ensuing Onam holidays. However, those who have put in a minimum of 200 days work during the period will be eligible for 30 days wages as Ad hoc Bonus and those who have put in less than 200 days work but more than 30 days work shall be eligible for Adhoc bonus proportionate to the days worked by them subject to a minimum of Rs.400/- In the case of Casual Workers, CLR Workers and H R Workers who have been regularized in services, the period of eligibility as indicated above will also include the period of their service before regularization.
 - (ix) The Volunteers of Attappady Hill Area Development Society.

- (x) Part-time contingent employees including those working in Aided Educational Institutions will be eligible for either Special Festival Allowance or Ad hoc Bonus whichever is higher.
- (xi) Guest Lecturers in Educational Institutions who have worked at least 200 hours during the financial year 2007-08

8. The following categories of employees will be paid Special Festival Allowance at the rates noted against each:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Amount (Rs.)</u>
(i) The patient employees of the Leprosy Hospitals	500
(ii) The Anganwadi/Balawadi teachers, workers under the Social Welfare Department, Rural Development Department Scheduled caste Development Department and Scheduled Tribe Development Department	450
(iii) Anganawadi/Balawadi/Helpers and Ayahs	400
(iv) The Conveners of Balawadi/Anganwadi and Feeding Conveners of the upgraded regular feeding centers of the Rural Development Department	250
(v) Sweepers on consolidated remuneration	250
(vi) The Kashaya Servants of Ayurveda Dispensaries	200

Pensioners:

9. (i) Service pensioners who are not eligible for Bonus or Festival Allowance as indicated in Para 4 and 6 above will be paid a Special Festival Allowance of Rs.300.
- (ii) Family Pensioners will be paid Special Festival Allowance of Rs.200/-
- (iii) Ex-gratia Pensioners will be paid Special Festival Allowance of Rs.200/-
- (iv) Personal Staff Pensioners will be paid Special Festival Allowance of Rs.200/-

Note: - The Special Festival Allowance under any one of the above schemes alone will be paid, if a pensioner comes within the purview of Para (i), (ii) , (iii) and (iv) above. Similarly, a serving employee who is in receipt of Ad hoc bonus or Special Festival Allowance will not be eligible for Special Festival Allowance under item 9 (ii) above.

- (v) Special Festival Allowance for retired Leprosy Patient Employees and Part- time Contingent Pensioners will be fixed at Rs.200/-

10. The Categories of employees mentioned below will not be eligible to receive Ad hoc bonus/Special Festival Allowance:

- (i) Those who are eligible for bonus, ex-gratia or such other payments in lieu of ad hoc bonus.
- (ii) Those who were on leave without allowance, as on 31st March 2008 to take up employment abroad or within India or to join their spouses in India or abroad.

11. The Ad hoc bonus/special festival allowance will be drawn before 31-3-2009. The expenditure will be debited to the head of account from which the pay and allowances/wages/pension of the individual concerned is drawn. In the case of employees of Local Bodies, the expenditure on account of the payment of Ad hoc bonus/Special Festival Allowance will be met from the funds of the respective Local Bodies.
12. In the case of employees who are on deputation/foreign service as on 31-3-2008 and if their service in the parent department was more than six months during the year 2007-2008 the bonus admissible will be drawn and disbursed by the parent department.
13. Self drawing officers may draw the Ad hoc bonus/Special Festival Allowance without authorization from the Accountant General provided for in Note 2 under Rule 165(d) of the Kerala Treasury Code Volume I.
14. Payment of Ad hoc bonus/Special Festival Allowance for 2007-08 will be made with effect from 05-09-2008.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

T.K. MANOJ KUMAR
SECRETARY (FINANCE-EXPENDITURE).

To

The Principal Accountant General (Audit) Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.
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The Registrar, Sanskrit University, Kalady, Ernakulam. (with C.L.)
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