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## ENDORSEMENT

Department of Pension and Pensioners' Welfare, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pension, Govt. of India, New Delhi has issued O.M. No.18/1/2020-P&PW(C)-6681 dated 11.9.2020 regarding extension of period for submission of Life Certificate from October 2020 till December 2020. The above mentioned O.M. dated 11.9.2020 is being uploaded on the ICAR website www.icar.org.in and e-office for information and necessary action.

(Ajai Verma)

Under Secretary (GAC)

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# Government of India Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pension Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare

8<sup>th</sup> Floor, Janpath Bhavan, Janpath, New Delhi, Dated: 11<sup>th</sup> September, 2020 1

#### OFFICE MEMORANDUM

#### Subject: - Extension of period for submission of Life Certificate from October 2020 till December 2020.

Every Central Government pensioner has to submit life certificate in the month of November for further continuation of his/her pension. It has been observed that a large number of Central Government pensioners physically visit bank branches for this purpose.

2. Earlier, as a measure to enable additional dedicated time to very senior pensioners, this department, vide its OM No. 1/20/2018-P&PW(E), dated 18.07.2019, allowed the pensioners in the age group of 80 years and above, to submit Life Certificate from 1<sup>st</sup> October onward instead of 1<sup>st</sup> November, every year.

3. In view of the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic and keeping in view of the vulnerability of elderly population to Corona Virus, it has now been decided to extend the existing timeline for submission of Life Certificate. This year, all Central Government pensioners may submit Life Certificate from 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2020 onward, till 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020. However, the pensioners in the age group of 80 years and above, can submit Life Certificate from 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2020 onwards, to 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2020. During this extended period, the pension will be continued to be paid by the Pension Disbursing Authorities (PDAs) uninterrupted.

4. Further, in the line of RBI notification no. RBI/2019-20/138, dated January 9, 2020, which permits Video based Customer Identification Process (V-CIP) as a consent based alternate method of establishing the customer's identity, PDAs may also explore the said methodology for obtaining a Life Certificate from the pensioner, to the extent permitted by RBI guidelines, in order to avoid rush at the branches.

5. The above measures are expected to avoid rush at branches and maintain social distancing, while obtaining Life Certificates from the elderly this year. PDAs shall also ensure proper arrangements and social distancing measures at the branches and prevent overcrowding.

6. All Pension Disbursing Authorities are requested to take note of this OM for compliance and give wide publicity to the same amongst the pensioners.

This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

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(Rajesh Kumar) Under Secretary to the Government of India

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