

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR EX-SERVICEMEN IN PENURY

1. **Background**. The scheme to provide financial assistance to non-pensioner Ex-Servicemen (ESM) in a state of penury was started in year 1981 with an amount of Rs 100/- per month for a period of two years. Thereafter, it was increased to Rs 500/-pm for two years in 2007 and then changed into onetime grant of Rs 30,000/- for life-time. This was revised by the Management Committee of AFFD Fund in Oct 2011 and revised the onetime grant into a monthly grant of Rs 1,000/-.
2. **Aim**. The aim of this aid gratis is to provide a small measure of relief from total penury to a non-pensioner ESM up to rank of Hav/equivalent and their widow.
3. **Financial Assistance**. For Penury is provided at the rate of Rs.1000/- per month per head for life time from AFFD Fund.
4. **Eligibility Conditions**. The eligibility criteria are to be met to avail financial assistance under this scheme are as follows:-
 - (a) Must be a non-pensioner ESM or his widow.
 - (b) Should be of rank Havildar/equivalent from the Navy/AF and below.
 - (c) Should be above age of 65 years.
 - (d) Should be recommended by respective ZSB and RSB.
 - (e) Details of bank account (in SBI/PNB only) and IFS Code
5. **Application Form**. Application should be made in given form with recommendation of respective ZSWO & Secretary RSB on it. *A specimen form is enclosed*. Copies of the following documents duly attested by ZSWO must accompany the application:-
 - (a) Service Document/Discharge Book of ESM.
 - (b) Age proof, if date of birth not given in the Service Document/Discharge Book.
 - (c) Identity Card of ESM/Widows issued by ZSB.
 - (d) Details of Bank A/c No (in PNB/SBI only) and IFS Code.
6. **Channel of Application**. Applications are required to be submitted by eligible ESM/ widows at respective ZSB by **31 Mar or 30 Sep each year**. ZSWO will scrutinize these applications and if found in order, forward them with soft copy of their data to concerned RSB. If found meeting QRs, RSB will forward all these applications by last day of the following month to the KSB Sectt for processing.
7. **Processing of Applications**. On receipt of applications at the KSB Sectt, these shall be processed by its Welfare Section in order of the date of their receipt. Such applications pertaining to AFFD Fund will be moved for approval of Competent Authority in one lot preferably on a quarterly basis.

8. **Payment Procedure.** After approval of the applications by the Competent Authority, the same will be processed for payment in batches of 200 applications by the Section. After verification of data, the Welfare Section will forward the batch list to the Accounts Section for making payments via ECS . The Jt Dir (Welfare) will display payment status of the approved applications on website (www.desw.gov.in).

9. **Subsequent Grant.** The Penury Grant, once approved by the Competent Authority, stands for life of the approved non-pensioner ESM or the widow. No fresh application will be required thereafter, however beneficiary must submit a '**life certificate**' through respective ZSB once a year in the month of December for release penury grant in the following financial year. *A specimen form of 'Life Certificate' is placed at Annexure 2 to this document.* ZSWO will forward **all such Life Certificates in one lot to KSB Sectt, by the following 15 January each year.** All the cases of renewal will be put up to JD (Welfare) by 01 Mar, who will in turn obtain approval of Secy, KSB for continuation of the penury grant during next financial year. It may be noted that **the financial assistance is non-transferable and will cease automatically upon death of the ESM or widow. It is the responsibility of respective ZSWO to inform the KSB Sectt regarding death of the beneficiary ESM/widow.**

Annexure 1

APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM KSB: PENURY (Only for Non-Pensioners above 65 Yrs of Age)

1. Name: _____ Service
No: _____
2. Rank _____ Adhar Card No -

3. Present Address: _____
4. Dates: (dd/mm/yy) Enrolment: ___/___/___ Discharge: ___/___/___ Birth: ___/___/___ Death:
___/___/___
5. Reasons for discharge: (As in Discharge
Certificate): _____
6. Character at the time of discharge: Exemplary / Very Good / Good / Fair / Bad.
7. Mobile No: _____ Residence Landline
No: _____
8. (a) If re-employed, income there from employment : Rs.

(b) Monthly income for non-pensioners (from other sources) Rs.

9. Details of Financial Assistance received in past from KSB/RSB/ZSB(mention each type of
grant):
Name of grant _____ Amount _____, year

10. **Name and address of**
Bank: _____
11. IFSC/ NEFT Code of Bank: _____ 12. Account
No. _____
13. Additional Information if any

DECLARATION

14. I understand that this is only an assistance I have no legal right on the amount requested for.
15. I am a non-pensioner and not drawing any kind of pension or grant from any agency.
16. I hereby declare that information furnished in personal application is correct to the best of my knowledge.
17. If my application is sanctioned, I will apply for renewal of Penury Grant every year between 01 to 31 of Dec to my concerned ZSB.

(Signature of the
applicant)

RECOMMENDATIONS BY ZSW OFFICER

18. Following original documents of ESM/Widow have been personally checked by ZSW Officer (Photocopies attested by ZSWO are attached): -

- (a) Complete Discharge Certificate/book.
- (b) Age proof of applicant.
- (c) **A Certificate of Penury from village Sarpanch/Patwari/Block Development Officer for ESM/Widow applying for Penury and that the ESM/widow is not receiving pension or grant from Govt or any other agency.**
- (d) **Attested copy of ESM/Widow Identity Card.**

19. It is certified that the applicant does not have income/pension from any other source and he has not been provided any financial assistance from the State Govt or any other source.

20. I hereby confirm that the information furnished above is correct as per the original documents of the applicant. Hence, case is **recommended**.

Date:

Signature:

**Office Seal :
Dir/ZSWO**

Rank & Name:

Designation : Dy Dir/Asst

RECOMMENDATIONS BY SECRETARY, RSB

21. I hereby declare that the information furnished above is correct as per the original documents of the applicant. Hence, case is **recommended**.

Date :

Signature :

**Office Seal :
Director/Secretary**

Rank & Name:

Designation :

Annexure 2

LIFE CERTIFICATE FOR ESM IN PENURY

(To be submitted in January each year through ZSB)

It is hereby certified that Non Pensioner Ex Serviceman/Widow's
No: _____

Rank: _____ Name: _____

Service: **Army/Navy/Air Force**

Date of Birth: _____

Signatures of Individual
Individual

Thumb impression of

is alive and present before me today.

Place: _____

Signature: _____

Rank & Name: _____

Date: _____

Designation: Asst Dir/Dy Dir/Secy

ZSB

Office Seals
Distt. _____

Office: _____

(Certificate can be issued by AD / DD/JD / Secretary of respective ZSB)

