## GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR FINANCE DEPARTMENT (www.jkdat.nic.in)

Subject:

Clarification regarding payment of time barred arrear claims presented at Treasuries.

## **CIRCULAR**

It has been noticed that a number of Government Departments have regularized the services of Incharge Officers/Officials at various levels from time to time with effective date of regularization indicated against each on case to case basis in the relevant Government Orders carrying retrospective effect. The Drawing and Disbursing Officers of the concerned Departments have accordingly preferred claims at Treasuries for payment of arrears.

For settlement of these claims, rule position has been provided in Rule 289 and 296 (1 and 2) of GFR-2017, regarding sanction with retrospective effect and payment of time barred claims. The relevant rule position is reproduced as under:-

Rule 289 - Retrospective claim due from date of sanction.

In the case of sanction accorded with retrospective effect the charge does not become due before it is sanctioned. In such cases the time limit specified in Rule 296 (1) should be reckoned from the date of sanction and not from the date on which the sanction takes effect

Rule 296 - Procedure for dealing with time-barred claims.

296 (1) Even a time barred claim of a Government Servant, shall be entertained by the concerned authority provided that the concerned authority is satisfied that the claimant was prevented from submitting his claim within the prescribed time limit on accoun1t of causes and circumstances beyond his control.

296 (2) A time barred claim referred to in rule 296 (1) shall be paid with the express sanction of the Government issued with the previous consent of the Internal Finance Wing of the Ministry or Department concerned.

Regarding settlement of time barred claims, Finance Department has already issued detailed Circular instructions under endorsement No. A/23(08)-I-B-184 dated 18.02.2021.

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Accordingly, all the Treasury Officers are advised to settle the arrear claims of the Government servants and persons not in government service, in terms of the abovementioned circular instructions issued by the Finance Department.

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2. All Treasury Officers for necessary action.

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6. Circular file.