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Inspector General of Police, All District Secretaries, Divisional Secretaries.

Provision of Ranaviru Surekum Allowance to the heroes in Sri Lanka Police who have been retired on medical grounds due to rendered disability as a result of terrorist activities and to the widows of heroes in Sri Lanka Police who have deceased, due to terrorist activities in operational areas.

A decision has been taken to pay the Ranaviru Surekum Allowance to Sri Lanka Police Officers in terms of the Cabinet decision dated 05.09.2018 on Cabinet Paper No. CP/18/0317/748/009 according to the following provisions.

## 02. Eligible Beneficiaries.

- The officers in Sri Lanka Police who became disabled due to terrorist activities while on active service and received salaries and allowances up to the age of 55 years according to the Public Administration Circular No 21/88 and revised their pensions at the age of 55 years.
- ii. Spouse or Children (under 26 years of age) of police officers who passed away, while receiving pension as mentioned above (i)
- iii. Spouse or Children (under 26 years of age) of police officers who have passed away due to terrorist activities while on active service and entitled to the benefits according to the Public Administration Circular No 21/88
- 03. Only the basic salary and allowances considered for the calculation of the pension received at the age of 55 are considered in calculating the Police Ranaviru Surekum Allowance. Maximum Police Ranaviru Surekum Allowance is 15% of the salary and allowances received at age of 55 years.
- 04. When calculating the pension of an officer, if the percentage of unreduced pension is less than 85%, the pension of that officer should be revised to 85%.
- 05. The total amount of Police Ranaviru Surekum Allowance and Pension should never exceed the sum of the basic salary and the pensionable allowances on which the pension is calculated.
- 06. The existing provisions for awarding gratuity allowance and pension remains the same.

- 07. The remarried widows / widowers are not entitled to this allowance.
- 08. According to the Ministry of Defence circular No. MOD / 01/2021 dated 18.05.2021, the fixed monthly allowance should be paid after 27.04.2021 and Police Ranaviru Surekum payment should be stopped. Therefore, the Police Ranaviru Surekum Allowance will be paid from 01.01.2017 to 26.04.2021 (including the month of April 2021) for those who qualify under sections 2 (i), (ii) and (iii) above.
- 09. According to the above provisions, the salary particulars (at the age of 55) of police war heroes and deceased police war heroes, who are eligible for the Police Ranaviru Surekum Allowance should be forwarded by the Department of Police to the Divisional Secretariats, which pay their pensions. Since only the arrears is paid as per Section 8 above, applications for Police Ranaviru Surekum Allowance should be submitted under "Arrears Source Document". The "Police Surakum Allowance Arrears" should be selected there as the Reason. Revised pension award at the age of 55 years (in case of widows, salary increment statement and widow's award) and calculation documents should be submitted as attachments.
- 10. Once the Police Ranaviru Surekum Allowance is paid, the report should be included in the pension file and a copy of the report should be provided to the pensioner.
- 11. This Circular has issued with the concurrence of Ministry of Public Services, Provincial Councils and Local Government, Ministry of Finance and Ministry of Defence.

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