GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

FNJPC – Acceptance of the recommendations of the Commission by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in W.P.No. 1022/89 – Implementation of the recommendation of various Allowances w.e.f. 1.11.1999 as recommended by the First National Judicial Pay Commission – ORDERS – Issued

LAW (LA & J-SC.F) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.106

Dated: 14-07-2006 Read the following:-

- 1) Main Judgment of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 13.11.1991 in WP NO.1022/1989 (All India Judges Association vs Union of India and others, reported in AIR 1992 SC 165= (1992) 1 SCC 119).
- 2) Review Judgment of Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 24.08.1993 in Review Petition NO 249/1992 (All India Judges Association vs Union of India and others, reported in AIR 1993 4 SCC 2 = AIR (1993) 1 SC 2493)
- 3) From the Registrar (ADMN), High Court of A.P. D.O.Lr.No.4665/97-B1, Dt: 26.5.2002 and 10.11.2005
- 4) Directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, in IA No. 103 and other I.A's in W.P.No.(CIVIL) 1022/89 dated: 6.12.2005 & dt: 7.2.2006.

ORDER:

In the reference 3rd read above, the Registrar(Admn), High Court of A.P. has informed that the report of the First National Judicial Pay Commission as approved by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in their Judgment Dated 21.3.2002 in W.P.No.1022/89, the commission has recommended conferment of the benefits of various allowances to the Judicial Officers w.e.f. 1.11.1999.

The Government, after careful consideration of the Judgments of the Hon'ble Supreme Court, in the references first and second read above and the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme court, in the reference fourth read above and in obedience thereof here by accord sanction for providing allowances in respect of Electricity and Water Charges, News papers and magazines, Robe Allowance, Conveyance Allowance, Sumptuary Allowance, LTC/HTC, Transfer Grant/Disturbance Allowance, with effect from 1-11-1999 in the following manner:

1. Electricity and Water charges:

The Judicial Officers are at present allowed reimbursement of 1/3 of electrical charges as per High Court Proceedings Order ROC.No.824/98-D1(1), Dated 5.3.1999.

The Judicial Officers shall be sanctioned the reimbursement of monthly electricity and water charges at the rate of 50% with effect from 1-11-1999 payable out of office contingencies.

The difference of amount due from 1-11-99 shall be drawn and paid by the Principal Dist Judge of the Dist [including his own claim] where the Judicial Officer is working at present. The Judicial officer concerned shall draw the charges for the month beginning from June reimbursable in July2006 every month as at present.

2. Newspapers and magazines:

As per Appendix 7 to APFC vol 1, all Judicial Officers are now purchasing two newspapers.

The Government hereby sanctions permission to all. Judicial Officers to

purchase a magazine of their individual choice.

If any of the Judicial Officers has purchased the magazine from 1-11-99 onwards, he shall submit a claim duly supported by a certificate of having incurred such expenditure to the Principal Dist. Judges of the Districts/Heads of Units where the Judicial Officer is working, for reimbursement.

3. Robe allowance:

The State Government hereby sanction a lumpsum of Rs.5000/(rupees five thousand) to be paid to all the Judicial Officers once in five years as Robe allowance with effect from 1-11-1999.

4. Conveyance Allowance:

The State Government hereby sanctions conveyance allowance as indicated below:

(i) The Judicial Officer who uses his own car and who opts not to avail pool vehicle facility be entitled the following litres of petrol/diesel or equivalent price there of in the type of city or location as mentioned herein below from 1-11-99.

Type of city/location

Ceiling limit of Petrol/Diesel

(a) Dist. Head Quarters

75 litres

(b) Other places

50 litres

- (ii) The Judicial Officer who uses own two wheeler and who opts not to avail pool vehicle facility be entitled to 25 litres of petrol or equivalent price there of.
- (iii) In respect of arrears of conveyance allowance from 1-11-99 onwards the Judicial Officers shall submit their claims with a certificate of their having incurred the expenditure equivalent to the above limits of petrol/diesel at relevant periods of time to the Principal Dist. Judges of the Districts/ Heads of the Units where the Judicial Officer is working at present for reimbursement. The Principal Dist. Judge/Heads of Units will scrutinize and approve the claims.
- (iv) The Judicial Officers shall be given liberal soft loans on preferential basis for the purchase of motor vehicles as per G.O.(P) No 78 finance (A&L) department dated 3-4-2006.
- (v) The state government here by direct, as number of officers availing the pool vehicle facility decreases the excess number of pool vehicle shall be surrendered to High Court/State Government.
- (vi) The cadre of car drivers should be a frozen and surplus driver, if any, should be redeployed elsewhere and surplus vehicles should also be disposed of.

5. Sumptuary allowance:

The State Government hereby sanctions sumptuary allowance to the Judicial Officers at the following rates as a tax-free allowance with effect from 1-11-99.

1.District Judge:

2.Senior Civil Judge

3. Junior Civil Judge

Rs1,000/-per month

Rs 750/-per month

Rs 500/-per month

6. LTC/HTC:

At present the District Judges are availing LTC once in four years to any place in India. The Government hereby accord sanction to extend the above facility to all Judicial Officers subject to the following conditions.

1. The LTC shall be provided to all Judicial Officers

- a. once in four years to any place in India
- b For entitlement of first LTC, one must have put in not less than 5 years of continuous service.
- c. No LTC shall be allowed with in one year before retirement.
- d. With regard to HTC, All Judicial Officers shall be provided HTC once two years. The entitlement for the journey would be according to the rules in the respective states.

7. Transfer grant/Disturbance allowance:

The State Government hereby accord sanction to the composite transfer grant to all the transferred Judicial Officers with effect from 1-11-99.

- a) Composite Transfer Grant equal to one month's basic pay in case of transfers involving a change of station located at a distance of more than 20 kms from each other.
- b) In case of transfer to stations which are less than 20 kms from the old station or transfers within the same city, the Composite Transfer Grant will be restricted to one third of the basic pay, provided a change of residence is actually involved.
- c) Further, the Composite Transfer Grant excludes incidental expenses of the transferred officers and the members of his/her family, and the expenses to go from the residence to Railway Station/Bus Stand/Airport etc, and the expenses towards transportation of personal effects.
- d) The Composite Transfer Grant as mentioned in clause (a) above shall also be payable to Judicial Officers who on retirement settle down at places other than the last station(s) of their duty located at a distance of or more than 20 kms.
- e) The Composite Transfer Grant as mentioned in clause (b) above shall also be payable to Judicial Officers who on retirement settle down at the last station(s) of duty itself or within a distance of less than 20 kms.
- 8. In respect of the claims of the Judicial Officers who retired or died while in service or after retirement relating to the charges/ allowances/grants/sanctioned in paras 1 to 5 and 7 above for the periods they were in service subsequent to 1.11.99 shall be submitted supported by necessary certificates to the Principal District Judges of the Districts/Heads of the Units in twin cities of Hyderabad and Secunderabad and other places where they last worked or died while in service and the concerned Principal District Judges of the Districts/Heads of the Units shall draw and pay the arrears after scrutiny. In respect of claims relating to deceased Judicial Officers the claims shall be preferred by the Family pensioners of such deceased officer to the Principal District Judges/Heads of the Units where the deceased officer last worked and the arrears shall be paid to them.

- 9. The Registrar General, High Court of A.P. shall provide Budget provision in the Revised estimates 2006-07.
- 10. This order issued with the concurrence of the Finance (PC I) Department vide their U.O.No.232/427/ A1/PC.I/2006, dated:14 -07-2006.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

T.MADAN MOHAN REDDY SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Registrar General, High Court of Andhra Pradesh.

The Registrar (ADMN), High Court of Andhra Pradesh.

The Assistant Registrar, Supreme Court of India, New Delhi with a covering letter

The Advocate on Record, Supreme Court of India, O/o the Resident Commissioner, A.P.Bhavan, New Delhi

The Registrar, High Court of A.P., Hyderbad

The Registrar, A.P.Administrative Tribunal, Hyderabad

The Principal Secretary to Govt., GAD & Resident Commissioner to Government,

Government of A.P., A.P.Bhavan, New Delhi

The Accountant General, A.P. Hyderabad

The Pay & Accounts Officer, Hyderabad

The Secretary to Government of India, Ministry of Law, Justice & C.A., New Delhi Copy to:

The Finance (EBS Home) Department

The Law (OP) Department

The Law (Courts) Department

The General Administration (Cabinet/Claims/OP/Spl.A) Departments

The Director of Treasuries and Accounts, Hyderabad

The Joint Director, Pension Payment Office, M.J.Road, Hyderabad

All District Treasury Officers.

// FORWARDED BY ORDER //

SECTION OFFICER (S.C.)