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Government of India
Ministry of Finance
(Department of Expenditure)

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New Delhi, the 8th March, 1988.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:- Improvements in allowances and facilities for civilian employees of the Central Government serving in the States and Union Territories of North-Eastern Region, Andaman and Nicobar Island & Lakshadweep - Clarification regarding.

The undersigned is directed to invite a reference to this Ministry's O.M. of even number dated the 29th March, 1984 read with O.M. of even number dated 21st May, 1984 and the clarificatory O.M. of even number dated 23rd May, 1986 on the subject cited above and to say that in the clarificatory O.M. dated 28-5-1986, the clarifications, inter-alia, on the following points were given as under:-

Points

(a) whether the benefit of HRA would be available to those Central Government servants on their transfer in the States/UTs. mentioned above who have shifted their families to a station other than the last place of posting or who brought their families to the place of their transfer/posting and claimed transfer T.A. but later on sent their families to their last place of posting or to some other place due to certain reasons.

(b) Whether the benefit of HRA at the rates available at the last station will be admissible to those Central Government employees who have brought their families to the new place of posting and claimed Transfer TAA. and have kept other members at the last place of posting.

Clarification given

The benefit of HRA referred to in this Ministry's O.M. dated 29-3-1984 will not be admissible in such cases.

It has clearly been stated in para 1 (a) of this Ministry's O.M. dated 29-3-1984 that the employees transferred to North-Eastern Region will be entitled to HRA 'admissible' to them at the last station. HRA will be 'admissible' at the last station only if the employee was getting it at the last place of posting and the family stays back and other conditions for HRA are satisfied. As such the answer to this query is in the negative.

2. The clarifications referred to above, have been reviewed in the light of the orders issued in the Ministry of Works & Housing's O.M.No.12035/(24)/77-Pol.II dated 15-2-1984 for retention of general pool accommodation/allotment of alternative accommodation at the last place of posting of officers posted in the North Eastern Region. As these orders dated 15-2-1984 are not linked with non-drawal of T.A., President is pleased to clarify in partial modification of the clarifications referred to above that the Central Government employees on their transfer/posting to North Eastern Region, Andaman & Nicobar Islands and Lakshdweep Islands shall be entitled to House Rent Allowance with reference to the last place of posting, if otherwise admissible, irrespective of whether they have claimed transfer T.A. for family or not, subject to the condition that hired private accommodation owned house at the last station of posting is put to the use of the members of the family.

3. The other clarifications issued against the point at Sl.Nos.2 to 4 of para 1 of the O.M. dated 23-5-1986 shall continue to apply while regulating claims for House Rent Allowance.

4. Hindi version of this O.M. is attached.

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