

Pensions Circular 04/ 2013

My No: PN/ Circular/ 2013
Department of Pensions
Maligawatte,
Colombo 10.

29.10.2013

To all District Secretaries,
Divisional Secretaries,

Loan facilities for the economic well being of the pension community

Initiating a social endeavor which extends beyond a mere payment of pension, a proposal has been scheduled to implement a loan scheme for the pension community with collaboration of financial institutions (state and private banks) in view of strengthening the financial status of the pension community. The main objective of this programme is to uplift the living standards of pension community by joining them with the economic undertakings of the country. Various Financial Institutions (state and private banks) have commenced a loan scheme for pensioners to fulfill this task.

02. The Divisional Secretary and the relevant Financial Institution (state and private banks) should adhere to the following instructions when granting loan facilities.

- i. The affidavit introduced by the bank should be compulsorily obtained from the debtor (pensioner) and be ensured to insert the same in the pension file. Annexure 01
- ii. The letter of consent stipulated in Annexure 02 should be issued by the Divisional Secretary.
- iii. Transferring of pension file from the divisional Secretariat or the bank due to residence change of a pensioner who obtained loans under this programme can be implemented only on consent of the loan granted bank.
- iv. Pension payments of a deceased pensioner who obtained loans should be immediately suspended without crediting money to the bank. The bank has no right to recover a loan installment from a pension which credited on oversight of a deceased pensioner and such money should be withdrawn from the relevant bank.
- v. The Pan Asia Bank is also included to the Sri Lanka Interbank Payment System in addition to the People's Bank, Bank of Ceylon, National Savings Bank, Sampath Bank, Hatton National Bank, Seylan Bank, Commercial Bank, Nations Trust Bank which introduced by Pensions Circular 10/2006 dated 14.09.2006.

03. Any financial institution (state and private banks) which interested in implementing another loan scheme as this in due course should be followed these instructions. A prior approval should be obtained from me before implementing such loan schemes.

04. Please contact following officers for further clarifications in this regard.

Chief Accountant - 011-2434974, 011-2209804

Chief Internal Auditor - 011-2209805

Legal Officer - 011-2209857

Sdg/S.S. Hettiarachchi
Director General of Pensions

Copies :

1. Secretary – Ministry of Public Administration and Home Affairs
2. Secretary – Ministry of Finance
3. Secretary – Ministry of Economic Development
4. Auditor General
5. All Chairmen of Banks (People's Bank, Bank of Ceylon, National Savings Bank, Sampath Bank, Hatton National Bank, Seylan Bank, Commercial Bank, Nations Trust Bank, Pan Asia Bank)

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Affidavit

I, of

..... truly and honestly declare and affirm that,

01. I the affirmant above mentioned.

02. I employed as and retired on

03. The pension number assigned for me by the Department of Pensions is

04. Presently my pension is credited to the Account No. of
..... Bank, Branch.

05. I have applied for the loan scheme for government pensioners which provided by

06. Accordingly I have opened a account introduced by the bank for loans.

07. I hereby inform to credit my pension to the savings account bearing
No. of Bank that which previously credited to the
Account No. of Bank.

08. The pension I receive shall be the security in respect of the loan which I obtained from
..... and my pension shall not be transferred to any
other account without the consent of, and I
have no authority to change this account though my residence place or the divisional secretariat
has been changed.

Read over and explained by me the above
Affirmant and appeared to understand the
Contents hereof and placed his hand on this
Day/ two thousand and
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AFFIRMANT

BEFORE ME

JUSTICE OF PEACE

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My Reference No.

Your Reference No.

Date:

Divisional Secretary

Divisional Secretariat,

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Manager,

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Crediting pension to the bank in respect of the bank loan facility

(Account No.)

Pension No.

It is hereby notified that the pension of Mr. / Mrs. bearer of
NIC No. and employed as
at the Ministry/ Department of is sent monthly to you in order to
credit the same to the above account with effect from month of
according to his/ her letter of request and affidavit dated

02. Request of the pensioner to change pension receiving Divisional Secretariat or the Bank on
any reason will be considered in compliance with the Pension Circular 04/ 2013 dated
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