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**Extension of the Age of Compulsory Retirement of the Public Officers up to 65 Years**

Provisions of the Sections 2AA and 17 of the Minutes on Pensions have been amended with effect from 01.01.2022 by the Public Administration Circular 02./2022 dated 06.01.2022 and No. 2263/5, dated 19.01.2022 Extraordinary Gazette of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.

02. The Provisions of the Minutes on Pensions shall be applicable to the teachers with pension entitlement under School Teachers Pension Act No 44 of 1953 and Pirivena Education Act No 64 of 1979 by the Extraordinary Gazette of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka No 1743/28 dated 03.02.2012 and local government officers with pension entitlement under Local Government Services Act No 16 of 1974 and its by-laws and regulations by Extraordinary Gazette of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka No 2084/59 dated 16.08.2018.

03. Therefore, Pirivena teachers, teachers of approved private schools and local government officers working under the local government pension scheme can serve until they reach the age of 65 years as per the amended provisions mentioned in paragraph 02 above.

04. According to the constitution, the retirement age for Supreme Court judges is 65 years and the retirement age for Court of Appeal judges is 63 years. The retirement age of High Court judges is 61 years as per the Judicature Act No 02 of 1978. Accordingly amended provisions of the Minutes on Pensions are not applicable to these officers.

05. Further, the following instructions should be followed regarding the officers of Schedule "Q"

- I. An officer, who had been appointed to an office or post specified in Schedule 'Q' hereto from outside the public service has held that post for one hundred and twenty months or more, entitled to receive a pension equivalent to 1/3rd of his salary for a period of 10 years and thereafter increased by 1/30th of the salary for each complete year of service in excess of 10 years up to a maximum of 2/3rd the last drawn salary for 20 years of service. The pension is not entitled to the officer terminated from the service on the ground of inefficiency or misconduct.
- II. The above (I) provisions are applicable to the officers of Schedule "Q" having a retirement date is on or after 01.01.2022.

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