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## NOTIFICATION

The 16th January, 2017

No. IPRD.18/2014/36.- In cancellation of earlier Notification No. IPRD.18/2014/12 dated 29/2/2016 and in anticipation of Cabinet approval, The Governor of Assam is pleased to institute a new scheme for the welfare of journalists in the form of retirement benefits to Journalists working in Assam with the following provisions:

1. The scheme shall be called "The Assam Pension Scheme for Journalists".
2. Eligibility:
  - (i) The scheme shall apply to the journalists who have attained 60(sixty) years of age and have retired from the job of a journalist/photo journalist/correspondent/camera persons (news).
  - (ii) He/she has served as a journalist in Assam for not less than 20 years preceding his/her date of retirement.
  - (iii) He/she should have a valid Recognition/Accreditation Card issued by the DIPR, Govt. of Assam for the last 20 years as on the date of his/her retirement.
  - (iv) He/she does not draw pension from any other source except under the Employees Provident Fund.
3. Terms & Conditions:
  - (i) The rate of pension is Rs.8000 per month subject to enhancement in future with prior approval of Finance Department.
  - (ii) Eligible pensioner will continue to receive pension unless he/she becomes ineligible for the same.
  - (iii) Pension shall ordinarily be valid till the lifetime of the recipient. The pension shall not be extended to the family members of the journalist concerned in any circumstances.

- (iv) Last date for submission of applications will be November 30 every year.
- (v) The pensioners would have to submit a Life Certificate in the month of November every year.
- (vi) Award for pension will be recommended by the Selection Committee consisting of the following members:
- The Commissioner & Secretary, IPRD - Chairman
  - DIPR, Assam - Member Secretary
  - Deputy Secretary, IPRD - Member
  - Sr. Financial Adviser & Branch Officer - Member
- The Representative of the following organization will be present as Member.
- Electronic Media Forum
  - Assam Photo Journalist Association
  - Assam Press Correspondent Union
  - Assam Union of Working Journalists
  - Journalist Union of Assam
- (vii) The Scheme will be implemented through the Director, Information & Public Relations, Assam
- (viii) The Scheme will come into force w.e.f. 01/01/2016
- (ix) The number of pensioners shall be 10 (ten) for the initial year. But it add 2 (two) persons per year and shall not exceed 20 (twenty) after which new cases can be added only if vacancy arises.

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