

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Rural Development Department – YSR Pension Kanuka – Revised guidelines for sanction of Pensions under the scheme of ‘YSR Pension Kanuka’ in supersession of the earlier guidelines – Orders – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (RD.I) DEPARTMENT

GO.Ms.No.174

Dated:13.12.2019

Read the following:-

1. G.O.Ms.No.135, PR&RD (RD.I) Department, Dated: 17-09-2014.
2. G.O.Ms.No.103, PR&RD (RD.I) Department, Dated: 30-05-2019.
3. From CEO, SERP, Vijayawada, Lr.No.5077/SERP/YSRPK/2019, Dated:03.07.2019

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ORDER:

Government is committed to the Welfare and Development of all segments of the Society, and in order to achieve this object had announced “Navarathnalu” comprising of various welfare and developmental programmes. As a part of the Navarathnalu, enhancement of pension amount and reduction in the age criteria for old age pension is a major welfare measure to ameliorate the hardships of the poor and vulnerable sections of the society particularly the old and infirm, widows and persons with disability to secure a dignified life.

2. Accordingly, as a part of implementation of the above welfare measures, the Government vide reference 2nd read above have issued orders naming the Social Security Scheme as “YSR Pension Kanuka”, and enhanced the pension amount of Old Age Pension (OAP), Widow, Weavers, Toddy Tappers, Fishermen, Single Women, Traditional Cobblers and PLHIV (ART Pensions) categories to Rs.2,250/-, Disabled Pensions to Rs.3,000/-, CKDU/Dialysis Pensions to Rs.10,000/-, and also reduced the age for Old Age Pensioners (OAP) from 65 to 60 years.

3. The Government has further considered that the existing eligibility criteria for sanction of pensions under ‘YSR Pension Kanuka’ shall also be revised in such a way that the benefit of pension shall be reached to all sections of the needy people intended for ‘YSR Pension Kanuka’. In the reference 3rd read above, the CEO, SERP has furnished the revised guidelines for sanction of pensions under YSR Pension Kanuka.

4. Accordingly, the Government in supersession of the orders issued in the G.O. 1st read above, and earlier guidelines issued for Social Security Pensions, hereby issue the following Comprehensive Revised Guidelines regarding the eligibility criteria for sanction of pensions under the scheme of YSR Pension Kanuka:-

The eligibility criteria for sanction of pensions:

1. Common eligibility for all categories of pensions:

- a. Total family income should be less than Rs.10000/- per month in Rural areas and Rs.12000/- per month in Urban areas.
- b. Age should be as per Aadhaar card.
- c. Total land holding of the family should be less than 3.00 acres of wet (or) 10.00 acres of dry (or) 10.00 acres of both wet and dry land together.
- d. Family should not own a four wheeler (Taxi, Tractors, Autos are exempted).

- i. One pension will be allowed in the family except in the following conditions:
 - (a) Family having disabled person with 80% and above degree of disability.
 - (b) Dialysis patients (CKDU) / Severe Mental Retardation/ PLHIV (ART).
 - (c) Pensions sanctioned vide GO Rt.No.551 HM&FW Department, dated 26.10.2019 and Memo No: 3033401/D1/2019, of HM&FW Department, dt:08.11.2019.

2. Category wise eligibility:

- a. Old Age : 60 years and above (G.O.Ms.103, PR&RD(RD.I) Department, dated 30-05-2019) and in respect of ST category 50 years and above (G.O.Ms.No.49, , PR&RD(RD.I) Department, Dated: 10-02-2019).
- b. Widow : 18 Years and above and widowed. Death certificate of husband should be produced.
- c. Disabled : No age limit. Disability 40% and above and SADAREM certificate.
- d. Weavers: 50 years and above. Certificate from Handloom Department should be produced.
- e. Toddy Tappers : 50 years and above. Members of Toddy Co-operative Societies (TCS) or to an individual tapper under the Tree For Tappers (TFT) Scheme. Certificate should be produced from Excise Department.
- f. ART pensions (PLHIV): 6 months continuous treatment in ART (Anti Retroviral Therapy) Centre.
- g. Dialysis Pension (CKDU): No age limit. Every month Dialysis treatment taken at Government / Private Hospitals.
- h. Transgender: 18 Years and above, Gender Identity Certificate issued by the competent medical authority.
- i. Fishermen: 50 Years and above. Certificate from the Department of Fisheries should be produced.
- j. Single Women: Married women separated / deserted above 35 years of age as on date of sanction of pension and the separation period shall be more than 1 year. Unmarried women who are having 30 years and above in Rural and 35 years and above in urban areas.
- k. Dappu Artists: Beneficiary who completed 50 years of age. Beneficiary list will be furnished by the Social welfare Department (as per G.O.Rt. No 199, Social welfare Dept., dated 30.06.18).
- l. Traditional Cobblers : Beneficiary who completed 40 years of age. Beneficiary list will be furnished by the Social welfare Department (as per G.O.Ms.No.19, Social welfare Dept., dated 12.11.18).

The following diseases are stipulated in the G.O.Rt.No.551, HM&FW Department, Dated:26.10.2019 and Memo.No.3033401/D1/2019, of HM&FW Department, Dt:08.11.2019:-

- m. For the persons with diseases of Thalassemia Major, Sickle Cell disease, Severe Haemophilia (<2% of factor 8 or 9) Bilateral Elephantiasis-Grade 4: No age limit. The beneficiaries' data will be shared by the HM&FW Department to the CEO, SERP, A.P.

- o. Chronic Kidney Disease patients (Stage3,4 &5) who are not on dialysis and are having following conditions :-
- (i) Serum creatinine of >5mg Consistently on two separate occasions with at least 3 months gap (in Government lab).
 - (ii) Small contacted kidney on sono graphic evaluation (less than 8cm)
 - (iii) Estimated GFR- <15 ml.
- No age limit. The beneficiaries data will be shared by the HM&FW Department to the CEO, SERP, A.P.

3. Priority shall be given to:

- a. SC households.
- b. Practicing Artisans (Weavers, Toddy Tappers, Barbers, Washer men, Potters, Blacksmith, Carpenter, Cobbler, Animal herder, Village Artists etc) and other Back Ward Classes.
- c. Daily labourers (Daily wage labourers, Agricultural Labourers, Migrated labourers).
- d. Nomadic Tribes having no permanent residence.
- e. Households with destitute / orphans.
- f. Households with Disabled.
- g. Other poor Households.

4. Spouse Pension:

In the event of death of Old Age, Weaver, Fishermen, Toddy toppers, Disabled category pensioners, pension will be sanctioned to Spouse (wife) to support the family. Pension amount will be released on par with Widow Category Pension.

5. Validation of Eligibility:

An identity ecosystem developed at People hub will be utilised to remove redundancies. This database consists of two principal portions, the demographic data contained in the SRDH and the Socio-economic data contained in the various databases created by the line Departments. The eligibility criteria will be verified with the repository of data through web service.

6. Role of Village/Ward Volunteers:

Village/Ward Volunteers will identify the persons eligible for social security pension under YSR Pension Kanuka and take up physical verification (Social Audit) with respect to eligibility conditions prescribed for each category of live pension. The Volunteers shall ensure door delivery of the pension benefits.

7. Role of MPDOs & Municipal Commissioners

The Mandal Parishad Development Officers are in rural areas and Municipal Commissioners in urban areas are responsible for overall implementation of the scheme. In case of any variations in data base validation and field verifications, the team consists of MPDO and EO PRD will re-verify in rural areas and Municipal Commissioners in urban areas. Accordingly, proceedings will be issued either for cancelation (or) approval.

8. The Project Director, DRDA, will monitor and supervise for successful implementation of the scheme in the District.

10 . To determine the age of pensions and a family unit, the following process to be adopted:-

- i. Aadhar identity.
- ii. Aadhar details will be matched with ration card data
- iii. Praja Sadhikara Survey (PSS) will be utilized for finding out family unit.
- iv. Field verifications
 - (a) Verification of own certificates (Date of birth certificate, Death certificates of husband for widow pension, toddy tapper certificates, weavers certificates)
 - (b) Verification of Children certificates (Study certificate)
 - (c) Calculation of marriage age, 21 years for male and 18 years for female (+ or -, 2 years)
 - (d) Date of Marriage (Marriage certificate)
 - (e) Local enquiry
- v. Medical board certificates

5. The Chief Executive Officer, Society for Elimination of Rural Poverty, A.P., Vijayawada shall take necessary action accordingly.

6. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department, vide their U.O.No.FIN01-FMU0MRAS (PRRD) /1/2019-FMU-PRRDRWS, Dated:20.11.2019.

7. A copy of this order is available on the Internet and can be accessed at the address: <http://www.goir.ap.gov.in>.

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

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To

The Chief Executive Officer, Society for Elimination of Rural poverty, A.P, Vijayawada.

The Commissioner, Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Department, Guntur.

All the District Collectors in the State.

All the Project Directors, DRDAs in the State.

The Accountant General of Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

The Director of Treasuries and Accounts Dept., of AP, Vijayawada.

All the District Treasury Officers in the State.

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