

## Government of Jammu & Kashmir Civil Secretariat, Finance Department

Subject: Release of interest in the matter of LPA No. 37/2010, 143/2010 and 127/2010 titled 'Kulbushan Sharma, Om Prakash Verma, V.P. Vohra v/s State & others'.

Government Order No. 176-F of 2018 Dated: 29 -03- 2018

Whereas, three Petitioners had filed separate Writ Petitions before the Hon'ble High Court at Jammu and prayed before the Hon'ble High Court to direct State-respondents to release the interest on delayed payment of General Provident Fund in full and;

Whereas, all the three Writ Petitions were dismissed vide judgement dated 28.08.2009 by the Hon'ble High Court and;

Whereas, aggrieved by the said judgement dated 21.08.2009 all the petitioners in writ petition filed three separate Letters Patent Appeals bearing LPA No. 37/2010, 143/2010 and 127/2010 namely Sh. Kulbushan Sharma, Sh. Om Prakash Verma and Sh. V. P. Vohra and came to be disposed of by the Hon'ble High Court by common judgement dated 21.08.2017 with the following directions:

"In view of preceding analysis, the impugned judgement dated 28.08.2009 in so far as it pertains to appellants in LPASW No. 37/2010, LPASW No. 143/2010 & LPASW No. 127/2010 is hereby quashed and the respondents are directed to release the interest on the amount of GP Fund from the date it has been purportedly withheld till the date of payment. Let the aforesaid exercise be carried out within a period of our months from today."

Jammu: 21.08.2017

Whereas, the judgement dated 21.08.2009 was examined in details on the basis of J&K General Provident Fund Manual/ Guidelines and it was finally decided to implement the judgement dated 21.08.2017 passed in the afore mentioned LPAs and

Whereas, the Funds Organization, J&K vide communication No. DF/Legal/2439 dated 14.12.2017 has worked out the interest on delayed payment of interest on GP Fund in favour of all the appellants to the tune of ₹ 9.05836 lakh and requested to release the said amount to be paid to all the appellants to comply the direction of Division bench of Hon'ble High Court dated 21.08.2017.

Now, therefore, to comply the directions passed in common Judgement dated 21.08.2017 by the Hon'ble High Court in the appeals referred herein above, the Finance Department conveys sanction to the payment of ₹ 9.05836 lakh in favour of the appellants in consonance to the prevailing rules governing interest on account of GP Fund refund.

By order of Government of Jammu & Kashmir.

Sd/-

(Navin K. Choudhary), IAS, Principal Secretary to Govt., Finance Department

Dated: 29 -03-2018

No.FD-VII-08 (24) 2054/2017

Copy to the:

1. Director General, Funds Organization, J&K.

2. Private Secretary to Hon'ble Minister for Finance.

\3. 1/C website, Finance Department.

4. Government Order file (w.2.s.c.).

5. Stock file.

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