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All Addl. CPFCs, Zonal Offices
 All RPFCs / OICs, Regional Offices

Sub:- Adherence to timelines for Scrutiny of Applications for Validation of Joint Option /Joint Option- reg.

Madam/Sir,

Kind reference is invited to the above cited subject.

In this regard, it is informed that a meeting was held under the Chairperson ship of Hon'ble Secretary, L&E to review the progress of scrutiny of Applications for Validation of Joint Option /Joint Options. In the meeting, the Secretary has expressed extreme displeasure that progress of scrutiny of Applications for Validation/ Joint Options is very slow in Field Offices as most of the Applications/Joint Options are kept pending at DA level in Field Office Application Software. CPFC has also shown extreme displeasure about such slow progress in scrutiny of Applications for Validation/ Joint Options and no case being found eligible till date. Further, even though a lot of cases are being reported as scrutinized, it seems the one-month opportunity has not been given as yet to the concerned through a formal communication in accordance with this office circular number Pension/Supreme Court/Judgement/HPM/2022/405 dated 23rd April, 2023. CPFC has further directed that action about applications/ joint options be taken within 20 days like settlement of claims. Accordingly, it should be ensured that pendency about issuance of notices to give opportunity of one month is cleared in all offices.

2. Therefore, all the Zonal Offices are directed to effectively monitor the progress and ensure timely scrutiny of Applications for Validation /Joint Options in Field Office Application Software and in e-office. Further, it is also

directed to ensure that status matches across all reports and presentations and there shall be no mismatch of the data among different reports/presentations and FO interface. Accordingly, steps be taken to immediately ensure that progress being reported in the presentation is reflected in the FO interface as well.

[This issues with the approval of ACC-HQ (Pension).]

Yours faithfully,


(Aprajita Jaggi)
Regional P.F. Commissioner-I (Pension)