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Government of India
Ministry of Heavy Industries & Public Enterprises
Department of Public Enterprises

Public Enterprises Bhawan,
Block No.14, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road,
New Delhi.
Dated, the 07th Sept 2015

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject : Re-classification/Upgradation of Cities/Towns on the basis of Census – 2011 for the purpose of grant of House Rent Allowance (HRA) for CPSE employees

The undersigned is directed to refer to para '7' of DPE OM dated 26.11.2008, para '2'(iii) of OM dated 02.04.2009 and DPE OM dated 07/01/2013 on the subject cited above.

2. Department of Expenditure, vide OM No. 2/5/2014-E.II(B) dated 21/07/2015, has re-classified the cities/towns on the basis of Census-2011 as "X", "Y" and "Z" for the purpose of HRA as enumerated in the Annexure to this OM.
3. It has been decided that the re-classification of cities/towns on the basis of census 2011 for the purpose of grant of HRA as contained in the Department of Expenditure OM dated 21/07/2015 would also be implemented in the Central Public Sector Enterprises with effect from 1st April 2015.
4. These guidelines would be applicable to the employees of CPSEs who are on 2007 IDA pay scale and also to the employees on 6th CPC recommendation based CDA pay scales.
5. All the administrative Ministries/Departments of the Government of India are requested to bring the foregoing to the notice of the public sector enterprises under their administrative control for their information and necessary action.
6. This issues with the approval of Minister (HI & PE).

Meenakshi Sundaram
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Director

All the Administrative Ministries/Departments of the Government of India

Copy to:

1. Chief Executives of Central Public Sector Enterprises,
2. Financial Advisors in the Administrative Ministries/Departments
3. Department of Expenditure, E-II Branch, North Block, New Delhi,
4. The Comptroller & Auditor General of India, 9, Deen Dayal Upadhyay Marg, New Delhi.
5. NIC, DPE with the request to upload this OM on the DPE website (DPE guidelines / chapter V/ Wage Policies & Related Matters / (c) allowances and perquisites)

No.2/5/2014-E.II(B)
Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Expenditure

New Delhi, 21st July, 2015.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:- Re-classification/Upgradation of Cities/Towns on the basis of Census-2011 for the purpose of grant of House Rent Allowance (HRA) to Central Government employees.

Reference is invited to this Department's O.M. No. 2(13)/2008-E.II(B) dated 29.08.2008 relating to grant of House Rent Allowance (HRA) to Central Government employees on the recommendations of the 6th Central Pay Commission (CPC) whereby a list of cities/towns classified as "X", "Y" and "Z" for the purpose of grant of HRA was enclosed as Annexure. The matter relating to re-classification of cities/towns on the basis of Census-2011 for the purpose of grant of HRA to Central Government employees has been considered by the Government.

2. The President is pleased to decide that in supersession of all the existing orders relating to classification of cities/towns for the purpose of grant of HRA to Central Government employees, cities/towns shall now be re-classified as "X", "Y" and "Z" for the purpose of HRA as enumerated in the Annexure to these orders.

3. Consequent upon implementation of the recommendations of the 5th Central Pay Commission, certain cities/towns were placed in a lower classification as compared to their existing classification for HRA purpose, vide this Department's O.M. No. 2(30)/97-E.II(B) dated 03.10.97. However, these cities/towns were allowed to retain their existing higher classification, vide Para 3 thereof; and further extended vide O.M. No. 2(21)/E.II(B)/2004 dated 16.03.2005 & O.M. No. 2(13)/2008-E.II(B) dated 07.01.2009. As other cities/towns to which protection of retaining earlier higher classification was allowed, got upgraded during the intervening period and as on date only two cities i.e. Ajmer in Rajasthan and Durgapur in West Bengal were retaining such protection. Consequent upon upgradation of these two cities also on the basis of their population as per Census-2011, provisions contained in Para 3 of this Department's O.M. No. 2(30)/97-E.II(B) dated 03.10.97 which were allowed to further continue vide O.M. dated 16.03.2005 & 07.01.2009, stand withdrawn/discontinued.

4. Special orders allowing continuance of HRA at Delhi ("X" class city) rates to Central Government employees posted at Faridabad, Ghaziabad, NOIDA and Gurgaon, at Jalandhar ("Y" class city) rates to Jalandhar Cantt., at "Y" class city rates to Shillong, Goa & Port Blair vide this Department's O.M. No.2(13)/2008-E.II(B) dated 29.08.2008, and continuance of HRA at par with Chandigarh ("Y" class city) to Panchkula vide this Department's O.M. No.2(13)/2008-E.II(B) dated 04.03.2011, shall continue to be applicable till the recommendations of 7th CPC are considered by the Government.

5. These orders shall take effect from 1st April, 2015.

6. The orders will apply to all civilian employees of the Central Government. The orders will also be applicable to the civilian employees paid from the Defence Services Estimates. In respect of Armed Forces personnel and Railway employees, separate orders will be issued by the Ministry of Defence and the Ministry of Railways, respectively.

7. In so far as the persons serving in the Indian Audit and Accounts Department are concerned, these orders issue in consultation with the Comptroller & Auditor General of India.

8. Hindi version is attached.

Subhash Chand
(Subhash Chand)
Director

To

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to O.M. No.2/5/2014-E.II(B) dated 21.07.2015.

**LIST OF CITIES/TOWNS CLASSIFIED FOR GRANT OF
HOUSE RENT ALLOWANCE TO CENTRAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES**

Sl. No.	STATES/ UNION TERRITORIES	CITIES CLASSIFIED AS "X"	CITIES CLASSIFIED AS "Y"
1.	ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS	—	—
2.	ANDHRA PRADESH/ TELANGANA	Hyderabad (UA)	Vijayawada (UA), Warangal (UA), Greater Visakhapatnam (M.Corpn.), Guntur (UA), Nellore (UA)
3.	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	—	—
4.	ASSAM	---	Guwahati (UA)
5.	BIHAR	---	Patna (UA)
6.	CHANDIGARH	---	Chandigarh (UA)
7.	CHHATTISGARH	—	Durg-Bhilai Nagar (UA), Raipur (UA)
8.	DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI	—	—
9.	DAMAN & DIU	---	---
10.	DELHI	Delhi (UA)	---
11.	GOA	---	---
12.	GUJARAT	Ahmadabad (UA)	Rajkot (UA), Jamnagar (UA), Bhavnagar (UA), Vadodara (UA), Surat (UA)
13.	HARYANA	---	Faridabad*(M.Corpn.), Gurgaon*(UA)
14.	HIMACHAL PRADESH	---	---
15.	JAMMU & KASHMIR	---	Srinagar (UA), Jammu (UA)
16.	JHARKHAND	—	Jamshedpur (UA), Dhanbad (UA), Ranchi (UA), Bokaro Steel City (UA)
17.	KARNATAKA	Bengalore/Bengaluru (UA)	Belgaum (UA), Hubli-Dharwad (M.Corpn.), Mangalore (UA), Mysore (UA), Gulbarga (UA)
18.	KERALA	—	Kozhikode (UA), Kochi (UA), Thiruvananthapuram (UA), Thrissur (UA), Malappuram (UA), Kannur (UA), Kollam (UA)
19.	LAKSHADWEEP	---	---
20.	MADHYA PRADESH	—	Gwalior (UA), Indore (UA), Bhopal (UA), Jabalpur (UA), Ujjain (M. Corpn.)

Sl. No.	STATES/ UNION TERRITORIES	CITIES CLASSIFIED AS "X"	CITIES CLASSIFIED AS "Y"
21.	MAHARASHTRA	Greater Mumbai (UA), Pune (UA)	Amravati (M. Corpn.), Nagpur (UA), Aurangabad (UA), Nashik (UA), Bhiwandi (UA), Solapur (M. Corpn.), Kolhapur (UA), Vasai-Virar City (M. Corpn.), Malegaon (UA), Nanded-Waghala (M. Corpn.), Sangli (UA)
22.	MANIPUR	---	---
23.	MEGHALAYA	---	---
24.	MIZORAM	---	---
25.	NAGALAND	---	---
26.	ODISHA	---	Cuttack (UA), Bhubaneswar (UA), Raurkela (UA)
27.	PUDUCHERRY (PONDICHERRY)	---	Puducherry/Pondicherry (UA)
28.	PUNJAB	---	Amritsar (UA), Jalandhar (UA), Ludhiana (M. Corpn.)
29.	RAJASTHAN	---	Bikaner (M. Corpn.), Jaipur (M. Corpn.), Jodhpur (UA), Kota (M. Corpn.), Ajmer (UA)
30.	SIKKIM	---	---
31.	TAMIL NADU	Chennai (UA)	Salem (UA), Tiruppur (UA), Coimbatore (UA), Tiruchirappalli (UA), Madurai (UA), Erode (UA)
32.	TRIPURA	---	---
33.	UTTAR PRADESH	---	Moradabad (M. Corpn.), Meerut (UA), Ghaziabad*(UA), Aligarh(UA), Agra (UA), Bareilly (UA), Lucknow (UA), Kanpur (UA), Allahabad (UA), Gorakhpur (UA), Varanasi (UA), Saharanpur (M. Corpn.), Noida* (CT), Firozabad (NPP), Jhansi (UA)
34.	UTTARAKHAND	---	Dehradun (UA)
35.	WEST BENGAL	Kolkata (UA)	Asansol (UA), Siliguri (UA), Durgapur (UA)

* Only for the purpose of extending HRA on the basis of dependency.

NOTE

The remaining cities/towns in various States/UTs which are not covered by classification as "X" or "Y", are classified as "Z" for the purpose of HRA.
