

**HARYANA GOVERNMENT**  
**INFORMATION, PUBLIC RELATIONS & LANGUAGES**  
**DEPARTMENT**

**NOTIFICATION**

The 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2017

No.8/367/2017-3P - The Governor of Haryana is pleased to approve the following scheme for providing monthly pension of Rs.10,000/- to the accredited media persons of daily, evening, weekly, fortnightly, monthly newspapers, news agencies, Radio stations, news channels, above the age of 60 years.

The following will be eligibility criteria and terms and conditions of the scheme :

**A) Eligibility Criteria :**

1. The accredited media persons of daily, evening, weekly, fortnightly, monthly newspapers, news agencies, Radio stations, news channels with atleast 20 years of experience in the field of journalism and above the age of 60 years.
2. The media person should have been accredited with the Information, Public Relations & Languages Department, Haryana for atleast last five years.

**B) Terms & Conditions :**

- i) The beneficiary media person will have to open an Aadhar linked savings bank account in any nationalised bank for depositing the amount of pension in their bank accounts and have to give a certificate in the month of January every year to this effect.
- ii) There should be no criminal proceedings pending against the beneficiary media person.
- iii) The pension under this scheme will be discontinued in case of registration of any criminal case against the beneficiary media person at any time or the conduct of the media person is found against the set principles/ethics of journalism.
- iv) The media person, getting pension or honorarium of any kind from any other State Government or news organisation will also be eligible. However, if an otherwise eligible media person is getting pension from any other State Government

of an amount less than Rs.10,000/- per month, the entitlement of pension under this scheme would be reduced by that amount.

**C) Committee to decide and make recommendations in each individual case :**

A 5-member Committee will be constituted to review each application and give its recommendations for grant of pension. However, in all cases, the decision of the Government shall be final.

**D) General :**

- a) Under this scheme, a monthly pension of Rs.10,000/- will be given to the eligible media persons.
- b) The Administrative Secretary of Information, Public Relations & Languages Department, Haryana will be competent to accord sanction under this scheme.
- c) The expenditure under this scheme will be borne by the Samvad Society. After sanction by the Administrative Secretary of this department, the amount of pension will be deposited in the bank account of beneficiary media person by the Samvad Society.
- d) In case of demise of beneficiary media person, the monthly pension will continue to be given to his/her spouse (wife or husband, as the case may be), in case he/she is not getting any salary/wages/pension/any other regular financial assistance from any organisation or the State Government.
- e) This scheme will come into effect from the date of notification.

**E) Submission of applications :**

The prescribed proforma for applying under the scheme will be available on a website and as far as possible, the media persons should apply on-line for grant of pension.

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