

Government of Odisha
Information & Public Relations Department

File No. IPR-PM-MISC-0099-2018

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I&PR, dated 26/11/2020

NOTIFICATION

Government in I&PR Department, after careful consideration, has been pleased to make the following rules to further amend the "Odisha State Working Journalists Welfare Fund Rules-2006", namely:

1. (i) These Rules may be called as "Odisha State Working Journalists Welfare Fund Amendment Rule-2020".
(ii) They shall come into force on the date of publication in the Odisha Gazettee.
2. In the "Odisha State Working Journalists Welfare Fund Rules-2006" (herein after called as the said Rules), Rule-2 clause (c) shall be substituted as under:-
"Working Journalist means a journalist whose name is submitted/ recommended, as such, by the DIPRO through the Collector concerned, for the purpose of this Rule"
3. In the said Rule, Sub -Rules of Rule-7 (1) shall be substituted as follows:-
 - i. Ex-gratia of Rs.4 lakh shall be sanctioned to the family of a working journalist in the event of his/her death.
 - ii. Top up financial assistance, in addition to Health Insurance benefit, may be sanctioned for treatment of Heart, Kidney, Cancer or other critical illness suffered by a Working Journalist or any of his/her family members where the expenditure exceeds Rs. 2 lakh Health Insurance Scheme benefit, with DMET approval.
 - iii. 3% interest subvention, up to Rs.25 lakh House building loan, shall be sanctioned in favour of a Working Journalist. The subvention will be released annually after repayment of regular installments by the loanee Journalist.
 - iv. 3% interest subvention for two wheeler loan, up to Rs.50,000/-, shall be sanctioned in favour of a Working Journalist. The subvention will be released annually after repayment of regular installments by the loanee Journalist.
 - v. 3% interest subvention for four wheeler loan, up to Rs.4 lakh, shall be sanctioned in favour of Working Journalist. The subvention will be released annually after repayment of regular installments by the loanee Journalist.
 - vi. Financial assistance of Rs.2 lakh shall be sanctioned in favour of the affected Working Journalist in the event of permanent incapacitation on account of accident, disease or any other reason.
 - vii. To facilitate training of Journalists in Government institutions such as IIMC, training cost up to Rs.10,000/- per Journalist shall be borne by Government in a 5 year block period.

- viii. In the event of death of a Working Journalist, financial assistance to the children of the deceased shall be provided up to Rs.1500/- per month till matriculation stage and up to Rs.2500/- per month for higher education. This recurring financial assistance shall be provided limiting to actual tuition fees and expenditure towards study materials.

By order of Governor

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Commissioner-cum-Secretary

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