

GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY
(ABSTRACT)

FISHERIES – Old Age Pension for Fishermen Rules, 2003 – Amendment to Rules –
Notification – Issued.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT (FISHERIES)

G.O. Ms. No.10 /Fy

Puducherry, dated 29.03.2023

- READ: 1. G.O.Ms.No.13/Fy, dated 11.12.2003 of the Under Secretary to Govt.(Fy), Chief Secretariat, Puducherry.
2. G.O.Ms.No.19/Fy, dated 30.09.2010 of the Deputy Secretary to Govt. (Fy), Chief Secretariat, Puducherry.
3. G.O.Ms.No.10/Fy, dated 28.08.2015 of the Under Secretary to Govt. (Fy), Chief Secretariat, Puducherry.
4. Letter No.3/FY/DDF(W)/OAP/Amendment/2022-23, dated 20.12.2022 of the Department of Fisheries & Fishermen Welfare, Puducherry.

ORDER:

The following notification shall be published in the next issue of the Official Gazette:-

NOTIFICATION

The Lieutenant-Governor, Puducherry is pleased to approve the proposal for enhancement of financial assistance for funeral expenses of the deceased fishermen pensioners in the Union territory of Puducherry and for the said purpose hereby further amends the "Old Age Pension for Fishermen Rules, 2003" issued vide notification under G.O. Ms. No.13/Fy, dated 11.12.2003 of the Department of Rural Development, Chief Secretariat (Fisheries), Puducherry and published in the extraordinary Gazette of Puducherry, Part -II, No.39, dated 10th December 2003 (hereinafter referred to as the said rules) and G.O.Ms.No.19/Fy, dt.30.09.2010 of the Department of Rural Development, Chief Secretariat(Fisheries), Puducherry as follows:-

1. SHORT TITLE AND COMMENCEMENT:-

- These rules may be called the Old Age Pension for Fishermen (Amendment) Rules, 2023.
- It shall extend to the whole of the Union Territory of Puducherry.
- It shall come into force with effect from the date of publication of this Notification in the official Gazette.

AMENDMENT OF RULE 12:-

The Rule 12, shall be substituted and read as ***Death of pensioner and Financial assistance towards funeral expenses of pensioners:***

In the said rule 12, the following clauses (1) to (7) shall be incorporated.

- In the case of death of a pensioner, the amount of pension due to the pensioner, if any remains unpaid shall lapse. No person shall claim the unpaid amount of pension as the heir to the deceased pensioner.
- On the death of a pensioner, a financial assistance of Rs.15,000 shall be paid towards the funeral expenses of the deceased pensioner.
- The assistance shall be payable to his/her son or daughter or spouse or any other relative under whose care and maintenance, the pensioner was living at the time of his/her death.
- For getting this assistance, an application shall be made in Form-VII appended to these rules, within 90 days from the date of death of the pensioner. On genuine grounds, the Director of Fisheries, Puducherry/District Collector, Karaikal/Regional Administrator, Mahe/Yanam may entertain such applications in respect of their regions beyond 90 days and upto 180 days.

- (v) The applications shall be accompanied by original Death Certificate issued by the competent authority, copies of document establishing the relationship between the deceased and the applicant, original Pension Identity Card issued by the Department, a certificate from local Panchayat President/Authorized Fisheries Official or any other responsible person of the locality to the effect that the applicant was maintaining the pensioner at the time of his death and incurred expenses towards his/her funeral and other documents as specified in Form-VII. Application tendered without the documents specified above shall be rejected.
- (vi) No payment shall be made if he has received similar assistance from any other department.
- (vii) If the deceased has not received the pension for more than three months prior to his death, the application for grant of funeral expenses shall not be entertained:

Provided that the non-receipt of pension was purely on medical grounds the Director of Fisheries, Puducherry/Deputy Director of Fisheries, Karaikal/Assistant Director of Fisheries, Mahe/Yanam, on being satisfied of the same, may entertain the application in respect of their regions.

2. This issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department, Puducherry vide their I.D. No.I.D.No.2259/FC/FD/F3/A4/2022-23, dated 22.03.2023.

/BY ORDER OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR /

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UNDER SECRETARY TO GOVT. (FISHERIES)

To

1. The Director, Directorate of Stationery and Printing, Puducherry.

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With a request to publish the said notification in the next issue of the Gazette and to supply 30 copies to this Secretariat for reference and record.

- ✓ 2. The Director, Dept. of Information Technology, Puducherry

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With a request to kindly host the same in the Govt. Website.

Copy to:

1. The District Collector, Puducherry / Karaikal.
2. The Finance Department, Puducherry
3. The Regional Administrator, Mahe/Yanam
4. The Director, Dept. of Fisheries & Fishermen Welfare, Puducherry.
5. The Director, Planning and Research Department, Puducherry.
6. The Director of Accounts and Treasuries, Puducherry
7. The Dy. Director of Accounts and Treasuries, Karaikal/Mahe/Yanam.
8. The Junior Accounts Officer, Dept. of Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare, Puducherry.
9. The Deputy Director of Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare, Karaikal.
10. The Assistant Director of Fisheries (Planning), DFFW, Puducherry.
11. The Assistant Director of Fisheries, Mahe / Yanam.
12. The Senior Accountant General (Audit-II), Pdy & TN, DAT Complex, Puducherry.
13. The Central Records Branch,
14. G.O. File / Spare.

FORM -VII
[See Rule 12(iv)]

**Application for Grant of Funeral Expenses of the Pensioner under Grant of Old
Age Pension to Fishermen Scheme**

Part-I
(Particulars about the deceased)

**Photo of the
deceased pensioner**

1. Name of the deceased pensioner :
2. Address of the deceased pensioner (Enclose :
Ration Card copy)
3. Name of the father/husband/guardian of the :
deceased pensioner.
3. Pension No. (Enclose the original Identity Card :
Issued by the Department)
5. Aadhaar No. (Enclose copy) :
6. Place and address where death occurred :
7. Cause of death :
8. Date of death (Enclose original Death :
Certificate)
9. Place where last rites and funeral were :
performed
10. Date of funeral :
11. Month upto which pension was received :
(Enclose copy of Bank Account, Statement for
the past six month)

Place :
Date :

Signature of the Applicant

Part-II
(Particulars about the applicant)

Photo of the Applicant

1. Name of the applicant :
2. Father's/husband's name :
3. Address of the applicant (Enclose Ration Card copy) :
4. Relationship with the deceased (Enclose any proof such as Ration Card/Birth Certificate/Marriage Certificate/EPIC to establish the relationship) :
5. Aadhaar No. (Enclose copy) :
6. Place where last rites and funeral were performed :
7. Date of funeral :
8. Details of the spouse/sons/daughters of the deceased :

Sl. No.	Name	Age	Relationship	Address
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)

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9. Whether the applicant has applied for/obtained any assistance from any other source for the same purpose? If so, please furnish the details.

I,husband/wife/son/daughter/guardian of the deceased Thiru/Tmt.....hereby declare that I have performed the last rites and funeral of the said Thiru/Tmt..... I have not obtained/applied for any financial assistance from any other source for the same purpose.

I further declare that the particulars furnished above are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and that I will repay the entire amount if the particulars furnished by me proved to be false on a later date.

Place :
Date :

Signature/Thumb
Impression of the applicant

Part-III
Declaration by Other Legal Heirs of Deceased Pensioner

I/We, the undersigned to this declaration, hereby declare that I/We have no objection to make payment for financial assistance towards funeral expense of Thiru/Tmt..... to the applicant Thiru/Tmt.....

Sl. No. (1)	Name, Aadhaar No. and Address (2)	Relationship with the deceased (3)	Signature (4)
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2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			

Place :

Date :

Part-IV
Verification Report of the Authorized Fisheries Official

The Authorized Fisheries Official for the marine/inland fishing village.....hereby report that the deceased pensioner Thiru/Thiru.....s/o, w/o.....was receiving OAP through the Dept. of Fisheries & Fishermen Welfare and that he/she expired on.....The applicant Thiru/Tmt.....is the husband/wife/son/daughter/others to be (specified.....) of the applicant has submitted application for grant of funeral expense assistance, wherein the funeral of the deceased has been performed.

- (a) Whether original Pension Identity Card enclosed? : Yes/No
- (b) Whether original Death Certificate enclosed : Yes/No
- (c) Whether copy of Ration Card/Birth/Marriage Certificate/Voter Identity Card of applicant enclosed? : Yes/No
- (d) Whether copy of burial/cremation permission obtained from competent authority : Yes/No
- (e) Whether Eligible/Ineligible to grant funeral expenses : _____

Place :

Date :

Signature of the Authorized Fisheries Official