GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY

ABSTRACT


CHIEF SECRETARIAT(WELFARE)


ORDER

The following notification shall be published in the next issue of the Official Gazette of Puducherry.

NOTIFICATION

The Lieutenant-Governor, Puducherry is pleased to make the following rules to provide the grant of pension to aged persons, widows and destitutes in the Union Territory of Puducherry, namely:

"The Puducherry Old Age Persons and Destitutes Pension Rules, 2011".

//BY ORDER OF THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR//

\( \frac{\text{(G.THEVA NEETHI DHAS)}}{\text{SPECIAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT(WELFARE)}} \)

To

The Director, Department of Stationary & Printing, Puducherry – with a request to publish the above Notification in the extraordinary Official Gazette and to send 200 copies for records.

Copy to:
1. All Secretariat and Heads of Department, 2. The Secretary to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, Puducherry. 3. The Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister, Puducherry. 4. The Director, Department of Women and Child Development, Puducherry. 5. The P.S. to Speaker / Dy. Speaker / All Ministers, Puducherry. 6. The Finance Department, Puducherry. 7. The Director of accounts and Treasuries, Puducherry. 8. The Dy. Director of Accounts and Treasuries, Karaikal/Mahe /Yanam. 9. The District Collector, Karaikal. 10. The Regional Administrator, Mahe / Yanam. 11. The Accountant General(Audit-1), Chennai-35. 12. The Dy. Accountant General(Audit-1), Puducherry. 13. The Central Records Branch, Puducherry. 14. Spare.
THE PUDUCHERRY OLD AGE PERSONS AND DESTITUTES PENSION RULES,
2011

1. Short title, application and commencement.— (1) These rules may be called
the Puducherry Old Age Persons and Destitute Pension Rules, 2011.

(2) They shall extend to the whole of the Union Territory of Puducherry.

(3) They shall come into force on and from the date of their publication in
the official gazette.

2. Object.— The object of the scheme is to provide financial assistance to old
age persons, widows, deserted women, unmarried women and eunuchs.

3. Definitions.— In these rules, unless context otherwise requires,—

(a) “Appellate Authority” means the Secretary to Government in-charge of
the Department;

(b) “Attesting Authority” means any gazetted officer of Central
Government/Government of Puducherry;

(c) “Department” means the Department of Government of Puducherry
implementing the scheme of Puducherry Old Age Persons and Destitute
Pension;

(d) “Destitute” means and includes widows, deserted women, unmarried
women and eunuchs;

(e) “Director” means the Director in-charge of the Department;

(f) “Government” means the Administrator of the Union Territory of
Puducherry appointed by the President under article 239 of the Constitution
of India;

(g) “Union Territory” means the Union Territory of Puducherry;

(h) “Pension” means the financial assistance sanctioned under these rules;

(i) “Old Age” means fifty five years of age and above in the case of both
men and women;

(j) “Widow” means a woman, of above 18 years whose husband is dead,
with no relative legally bound to maintain her and whose annual income
does not exceed Rs.24,000 from all sources including income from
property owned by her:
Provided that in the case of widow who is having relative legally bound to maintain her, the annual income of such relative shall not exceed Rs.24,000.

(k) "Deserted Woman" means a woman, whose husband has been deserted her for more than seven years consecutively with no relative legally bound to maintain her and whose annual income does not exceed Rs.24,000 from all sources including income from property owned by her:

Provided that in the case of a deserted woman who is having relative legally bound to maintain her, the annual income of such relative shall not exceed Rs.24,000.

(l) "Unmarried Woman" means a woman of above 40 years of age who has not entered into marriage/matrimonial union and has no relative legally bound to maintain her and whose annual income does not exceed Rs.24,000 from all sources including income from property owned by her:

Provided that in the case of an unmarried woman who is having relative legally bound to maintain her, the annual income of such relative shall not exceed Rs.24,000.

(m) "Eunuch" means a person of above 40 years of age, declared to be a Eunuch by the Medical Authority, with no relative legally bound to maintain her and whose annual income does not exceed Rs.24,000 from all sources including income from property owned by her:

Provided that in the case of an Eunuch woman who is having relative legally bound to maintain her, the annual income of such relative shall not exceed Rs.24,000.

(n) "Medical Authority" means any hospital or institution specified for the purposes of the Person with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995 by the Government;

(o) "Mental Illness" means any mental disorder other than mental retardation.

4. **Eligibility.**—(1) The following shall be the eligibility conditions for grant of under these rules,—

(i) The applicant shall be a resident of the Union Territory for a period not less than five years preceding the date of application.
(ii) The applicant shall be an old age persons or a widow or a deserted woman or an unmarried woman or an Eunuch as defined in rule 3 above and whose annual income is less than Rs.24,000 of his own or of any one else who is legally bound to maintain the said person.

(iii) The applicant shall not be a beggar i.e., a person who resorts to begging as a livelihood or a mendicant:

Provided that a person, who has not taken up begging as a livelihood but receives occasional assistance from others, shall not be deemed to be a beggar.

(iv) The applicant shall not receive any other financial assistance from any other sources, which are fully or partly funded by the Central or State Government.

(v) The applicant shall not be an inmate of an institution or a home where free boarding and lodging is provided.

(2) When both the husband and wife are destitute old aged persons, both of them shall be eligible for grant of pension.

5. Making of application.—(1) The application forms shall be made available by the Department to intending applicants free of cost and also in downloadable form in the official website.

(2) Application for grant of old age persons and destitute Pension shall be made in Form-I, appended to these rules by the intending applicant.

(3) The application shall be submitted to the Director in Puducherry region; the Child Development Project Officer in Karaikal region and the Social Welfare Organisers in Mahe and Yanam regions.

(4) The application shall be accompanied by the following certificates/documents, namely:—

(i) Certificate of Residence from an officer of the Revenue Department not below the rank of Deputy Tahsildar.

(ii) Certificate of Income from an officer of the Revenue Department not below the rank of Deputy Tahsildar.
(iii) Attested copy of Birth Certificate/Proof of Age.

(iv) Attested copy of Ration Card/Identity Card.

(v) Attested copy of the Death Certificate of the husband of the applicant in the case of a widow.

(vi) a sworn affidavit by the individual that she has been deserted for the past seven years, in Appendix-I in the case of a deserted woman and a sworn affidavit by the individual that she is unmarried in Appendix-II shall be signed by a Notary, Gazetted Officer of the Central Government/Government of Puducherry/Manager of a recognized poor house or similar recognized charitable institution/Special Officer or Commissioner of a Municipality or a Commune Panchayat/Chairman of a Municipal Council or a Commune Panchayat/member of the Lok Sabha/Rajya Sabha/Legislative Assembly.

(vii) Certificate issued by the Medical Authority in Part-III, in the case of a Eunuchs.

6. Receipt and verification.—(1) The applications received from the applicants shall be acknowledged and entered in the receipt register in the order of seniority and assigned receipt number in seriatim.

(2) The Director shall thereafter cause an enquiry to be conducted through the field level functionaries of the Department and satisfy himself that the particulars furnished in the application are genuine and correct.

(3) Verification of age may be done based on the production of birth certificate.

(4) Even after such verification, if the Director has a genuine doubt as to the applicant's age, he may refer the case to the nearest Government Hospital/Primary Health Centre/Community Health Centre and call for a medical opinion which may be treated as final.

(5) The Director shall also satisfy himself that the claim of deserted/unmarried woman as to their condition of desertion/non-marriage is genuine one through proper inquiry by all available channels.
7. Quantum of assistance and sanction. — (1) The quantum of assistance shall be Rs.1000 per mensem, which may be subject to enhancement by the Government from time to time.

(2) On being satisfied that the applicant fulfils all eligibility conditions, the Director shall sanction the assistance to the applicant and issue a Sanction Order in Form-II and Identity Card in Form-III appended to these rules and also place the details alongwith photograph of each beneficiary in the notice board of the respective Anganwadi Centres and also in the official website.

(3) Pension shall be payable from the first of the month in which it is sanctioned.

(4) The applicant whose application was rejected shall be informed the reason(s) for such rejection.

8. Tenure of the sanction. — The sanction once issued will be tenable for ten years, after which it shall be renewed for another period of five years and so on till the death of the pensioner or necessity thereof ceases, whichever is earlier.

9. Date and mode of payment. — (1) The Pension shall become due for payment only on the expiry of the month to which it relates.

(2) Pension shall be paid to the individual account of the beneficiary on the 7th of every month or on any other day as may be fixed by the Government from time to time through ECS.

Provided on special circumstances, which shall be recorded in writing by the Director, Pension may be paid through Anganwadi Workers of the concerned Anganwadi Centres in which the beneficiary resides.

Provided further that the 7th of the month happens to be a holiday payment may be made on the 6th of that month and if need be, further advanced depending upon the holidays.

(3) The reconciliation statement shall be obtained from the respective banks of the beneficiaries to ensure proper payment.

(4) The Anganwadi Worker/Helper shall obtain proper acquittance from the person entitled to receive the pension and make necessary entries in the Identity Card. In respect of a person with mental retardation/mental illness, payment may be made to his/her guardian who has undertaken to support him/her, and until he/she is so supported by the guardian.
(5) The payment shall be made from 1.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. without detrimental to the normal functioning of the Anganwadi Centres.

(6) For making payment of pension, Anganwadi Centres shall remain opened in the afternoon session for three consecutive working days from the notified date of payment.

(7) Paid acquittance along with unpaid amount, if any, shall be returned to the Department on the next working day.

10. Honorarium to Anganwadi Workers and Helpers.—(1) The Anganwadi Workers and Helpers who disburse the pension shall be paid honorarium, the quantum of which shall be as prescribed by the Government.

Provided that the aggregate honorarium to be paid to all the Anganwadi Workers and Helpers for disbursing the Pension shall however not exceed the aggregate Money Order Commission, should the pension be sent to each beneficiary by money order every month.

Provided also this aggregate sum shall be equally distributed among all Anganwadi Workers and Anganwadi Helpers at the ratio of 2:1 irrespective of the number of beneficiaries assigned to each Anganwadi Worker/Helper.

(2) Where there is no Anganwadi Centre, the Department shall make alternative arrangements for disbursement of the pension on the stipulated date with the approval of the Government, for which also honorarium may be paid, but not exceeding the rate as fixed above.

11. Records of sanction and payment.—(1) A register of sanction shall be maintained constituency-wise with the photograph of the pensioner affixed therein in Form-IV appended to these rules.

(2) A register of payment shall be maintained in Form-V appended to these rules.

(3) A register of unpaid amount shall be maintained to ascertain undischarged cases to facilitate stoppage as and when necessary, in Form-VI.

12. Stoppage and revival of pension.—(1) If the pension has been sanctioned on mistaken grounds or on the strength of the particulars furnished by the pensioner in his/her application which is proved to be false and untrue later or there is any material change in the condition of the pensioner which makes him ineligible for further payment, the pension shall be stopped forthwith.
(2) In case pension has been sanctioned on the basis of wrong/false information given by the applicant, the entire amount paid to him from the date of sanction is liable to be recovered. The individual is also liable to be prosecuted for furnishing wrong/false information deliberately.

(3) If the pensioner leaves the Union Territory for more than three months, the pension shall be stopped.

(4) The payment may, however, be revived within one year at the discretion of the Director if the pensioner proves his return to the Union Territory and his continued residence in the given address, but with no payment of arrears.

(5) Payment shall also be stopped, if the amount is returned unpaid for three months consecutively, eventhough the pensioner continues to reside in the Union Territory.

Provided that the amount is returned due to non-receipt of the same by the pensioner on purely medical grounds, payment may be continued without resort to stoppage.

(6) If a widow/unmarried women, who is receiving pension under this scheme gets remarried/married, the pension shall be stopped from the month following the month of such remarriage/marriage.

(7) Before reviving the payment stopped under rule (5) above, it shall be ensured that the reason for non-receipt of the pension by the beneficiary is convincing and satisfactory, in which case also no arrears of payment shall be allowed.

(8) The Director shall be the competent authority to order stoppage and revival of payment of pension under these rules.

Provided in case of stoppage, the beneficiary shall be informed the reason(s) for such stoppage.

13. Death of pensioner.—In the case of the death of a pensioner, the amount of pension due to the pensioner till the date of death but remains unpaid shall lapse. No person shall claim the unpaid amount of pension as the heir to the deceased pensioner.

14. Financial assistance towards funeral expenses of pensioners.—(1) On the death of a pensioner, a financial assistance of Rs.2000 shall be paid towards the funeral expenses of the deceased pensioner.
(2) 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.

(3) For getting this assistance, an application shall be made in Form-VII appended to these rules, within 60 days from the date of death of the pensioner.

(4) 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 claimant, original Pension Identity Card issued by the Department and a certificate from local Panchayat President/Anganwadi Worker or any other responsible person of the locality to the effect that the claimant was maintaining the pensioner at the time of his death and incurred expenses towards his/her funeral. An application tendered without the documents specified above shall be rejected.

(5) On being satisfied as to the genuineness of the claim, the Director shall sanction the assistance in Puducherry region. In other regions, the concerned Regional Administrators or Branch Officers of the Department shall be the competent authority to grant the assistance subject to the fulfilment of the eligibility conditions specified above.

(6) A separate register of payment of funeral expenses in Form-VIII shall be maintained and payment shall be made to the claimant in the presence of a witness of the same area/locality whose identity shall be established beyond doubt, in Form-VII.

(7) No payment shall be made if he has received similar assistance from any other department.

(8) 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 was purely on medical grounds the competent authority on being satisfied of the same, may entertain the application.

15. Inspection and verification of records. — The Director or any other Gazetted Officer authorized by him in this behalf shall periodically verify the records at least once in a quarter and satisfy himself that payment is made regularly. A certificate to this effect shall be recorded by him.

16. Powers of the Director. — (1) The Director shall be the over all in-charge of implementing the scheme in all the four regions of the Union Territory.
(2) For the smooth and effective implementation of the rules, the Director shall issue instructions to meet certain contingencies and such instructions shall be strictly adhered to by the executive staff.

(3) The Director shall be competent to order stoppage and revival of payment for any other reasons other than those mentioned under rule 12 above. The reasons for such stoppage or revival shall be recorded in writing.

17. Appeal. — Any person, aggrieved by any decision of the Director may prefer appeal to the appellate authority within thirty days from the date of the receipt of such decision.

18. Repeal and savings. — On and from the date of commencement of these rules, the Pondicherry Old Age Persons and Destitute Pension Rules, 2005 stand repealed:

Provided that the such repeal shall not affect—

(a) the previous operation of the rules so repealed or anything duly done or suffered thereunder;

(b) any right, privilege, obligation or liability acquired, accrued or incurred under the rules so repealed; or

(c) any sanction issued or action taken and any such sanction, action may be issued or taken as if these rules had not come into force.

19. Interpretation. — If any doubt arises as to the interpretation of these rules, the same shall be referred to Secretary to Government, in-charge of the Department for decision which shall be final.
FORM - I
[See Rule 5(2) and 5(4)]
Application for Grant of Old Age Persons and Destitutes Pension

Region : Date of receipt :
Constituency : Receipt No. :
Commune :

Part - I

1. Name of the applicant (as per records) :
1. (a) Aadhaar Number of the applicant :
2. Sex :
3. Father's/husband's name :
4. Complete postal address :
   Door No. :
   Street :
   Area/Nagar :
   Post Office :
   Commune :
   Pin code :
5. Name of the nearby Anganwadi Centre and Anganwadi Code No. :
6. Under which category does the applicant fall ?
   (a) Old aged  (d) Unmarried
   (b) Widow  (e) Eunuch
   (c) Deserted

Affix a recent passport size photograph attested by a Gazetted Officer
7. Date of birth/age (Enclose attested Copy of the Birth Certificate/other age proof).

8. Date of death of the applicant's husband, if the applicant is a widow (Enclose attested copy of the Death Certificate).

9. Details of family of the applicant including his/her sons, daughters and other persons legally bound to maintain him/her—

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10. Total income of the family per annum (Certificate to be obtained from the Revenue Department in the pro forma prescribed)

11. Whether the applicant is a native/resident of the Union Territory? (Certificate to be obtained from the Revenue Department in the pro forma prescribed)

12. Whether the applicant belongs to SC/ST/BC? If so indicate the same. (Enclose attested copy of the certificate obtained from the Revenue Department)
13. Whether the applicant is in receipt of any financial assistance from any other source? If yes, please furnish the details.

14. Mention two personal identification marks—

1. 
2. 

DECLARATION

I do hereby declare that the particulars given above are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and I have not concealed any material information that makes me ineligible to get the pension under the scheme. I further declare that I am not in receipt of any financial assistance from any other department or agency. I hereby also undertake to refund the entire amount received by me from the date of sanction, if it is found on a later date that I have received the assistance by furnishing false information or it has been sanctioned on mistaken grounds.

Place: 

Date: 

Signature of the applicant. 

Signed before me

Name, Designation, Signature & Seal of the *attesting authority

(*refer rule 3(b) that is "Attesting Authority" means any gazetted officer of Central Government/ Government of Puducherry)

15. Certificates to be enclosed with the application—

1. Attested copy of Birth Certificate

2. Attested copy of Ration Card

3. Attested copy of Death Certificate in case of widow

4. Sworn Affidavit by the individual in the case of deserted and unmarried women.
PART - II
Certificate of Residence and Income
(To be obtained from Revenue Department)
(Applicable to all applicants)

This is to certify that Thiru/Tmt. .................................................................
................ son/daughter/wife of Thiru. ..................................................
................ residing at .................................................................
........................................ is a resident of this Union Territory for
the past ........... years preceding the date of this application and his/her family
annual income or income of Thiru. ........................................... S/o./D/o. ...........
........................................ who is legally bound to maintain the said person is Rs. ... 
........................................ (Rupees ................................ only).

Place :
Date :

Signature of the official with seal

Part - III

[See Rule 5(4) (vii)]

Medical Certificate

This is to certify that Thiru/Tmt. .................................................................
aged ............. years is declared an eunuch after medical examination.

This certificate is issued for grant of financial assistance to eunuchs.

Place :
Date :

Signature of Medical Authority
with office seal
Part IV
(For office use only)

1. Whether the following certificates have been enclosed?
   (i) Age proof/Birth Certificate : Yes/No
   (ii) Income Certificate : Yes/No
   (iii) Residence Certificate : Yes/No
   (iv) Death Certificate of husband, in the case of a widow. : Yes/No
   (v) Sworn Affidavit : Yes/No
   (vi) Medical Certificate : Yes/No

2. (i) The applicant is found/not found eligible for the assistance.
   (ii) May be kept in abeyance for the following reason.
   (iii) May be sanctioned/may be rejected.

Assistant Director
Deputy Director
Director

FORM-II
[See Rule 7(2)]
Order of Sanction of Pension

ORDER

Sub: DWCD – Old age and destitutes pension – Sanction – accorded.

In exercise of the powers conferred on the undersigned under Rule 7(2) of Puducherry Old age and Destitutes Pension Rules notified vide G.O. Ms. No................ dated ............... of the Chief Secretariat (Welfare), Puducherry sanction is accorded for payment of old age/widow/deserted/unmarried/eunuch pension to Thiru/Tmt. ................................ S/o. /D/o. /W/o. ....................... at Rs.1000 (Rupees one thousand only) with effect from ...................... subject to the following conditions.

Affix a recent passport size photograph
(1) The sanction is tenable for a period of ten years or till the date of death of the pensioner whichever is earlier, which may be however be renewed for a further period of 5 years and so on till the death of the pensioner.

(2) If the pensioner leaves the Union Territory for more than three months, the pension will be stopped without any notice.

(3) If the pension is returned unpaid for three consecutive months, the pension will be stopped without any notice.

(4) The pension is liable to be stopped if it is found that it has been sanctioned on mistaken grounds or the pensioner has furnished false and wrong information to get the assistance.

(5) Change of address and any other change in the material information that affects the grant should be intimated to the Department without fail.

2. The pension number allotted to the pensioner is ....................................

3. Pension shall be paid to the individual account of the beneficiary on the 7th of every month or on any other day as may be fixed by the Government from time to time through ECS.

DIRECTOR

To
The individual concerned

Copy to:
The Director of Accounts and Treasuries, Puducherry.
GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY
DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
Identity Card for Grant of Old Age Persons and Destitute Pension

Affix a recent passport size photograph

Constituency:  
Pension No.:  

1. Name, Aadhaar No. and address of the Pensioner:

2. Father’s/Husband’s Name:

3. Sex:

4. Date of Birth/ Age as on date of sanction:

5. Category of Pension:


7. Signature of the Issuing Authority with office seal:

Details of payment—

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Signature of Officer In-charge
FORM-IV
[See Rule 11(1)]

Register of Sanction of Pension to Old Age Persons and Destitutes

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FORM - V
[See Rule 11(2)]

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FORM VII
[See Rule 14(3)]

Application for Grant of Funeral Expenses of the Pensioner under Grant of Old Age Persons and Destitute Pension Scheme

Part I
(Particulars about the deceased)

1. Name, Aadhaar No. of the deceased pensioner :

2. Name of the father/husband/guardian of the deceased pensioner:

3. Pension No. (Enclose the original Identity Card Issued by the Department):

4. Place and address where death occurred :

5. Cause of death :

6. Date of death (Enclose original Death Certificate) :

7. Month upto which pension was received :

Place :
Date :
Signature of the father/husband/guardian

Part II
(Particulars about the applicant)

1. Name, Aadhaar No. of the applicant :

2. Father’s/husband’s name :

3. Relationship with the deceased:
   (Enclose any proof such as Ration Card/Birth Certificate/Marriage Certificate/EPIC to establish the relationship):

4. Place where last rites and funeral were performed :

5. Date of funeral :

6. Details of the spouse/sons/daughters of the deceased:


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7. Caste : 

8. 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

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

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Part -IV
Certificate of the Anganwadi Worker

I ........................................... Anganwadi Worker of ........................................... (Name of the Centre) hereby declare that the deceased pensioner Thiru/Tmt........................................... was receiving OAP through my Centre and that he/she expired on........................................... The applicant Thiru/Tmt........................................... is the husband/wife/son/ daughter of the applicant. The applicant performed the funeral of the deceased.

Place :
Date :

Signature of the Anganwadi Worker with seal

Part -V
(For office use only)

Date of death of the pensioner :
Date of receipt of application :

(1) Whether original Pension Identity Card enclosed? : Yes/No
(2) Whether original Death Certificate enclosed? : Yes/No
(3) Whether copy of Ration Card/Birth/Marriage Certificate/Voter Identity Card enclosed? : Yes/No
(4) Eligible/ineligible :

Deputy Director

Director
FORM – VIII
[See Rule 14(6)]

Register of Payment of Funeral Expenses of the Pensioner under Grant of Old Age Persons and Destitute Pension

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APPENDIX - I

[See Rule 5(4)(vi)]

AFFIDAVIT
(For Deserted Women)

I ................................................................. W/o .................................................................
residing at ................................................................. do hereby solemnly and sincerely affirm and state as follows.

I was married to Thiru ................................................................. on ................................................................. at ................................................................. The said Thiru ................................................................. has deserted me from ................................................................. for the past ................................................................. years consecutively. Therefore by virtue of being deserted consecutively for 7 years I am a deserted woman for the purpose of grant of pension to deserted women under the Puducherry Old Age Persons and Destitute Pension Rules, 2011.

I do not have any relative legally bound to maintain me/I have a relative legally bound to maintain me but the annual income of my relative does not exceed Rs. 24,000.

I further state that I will intimate the fact in the event of my husband returning to my house and will cease to draw pension for deserted woman with effect from the date of return of my husband.

Place :
Date :

Signature
Signed before me

Name, Designation, Signature & Seal of the *attesting authority

(*refer rule 5(4)(vi) that is signed by a Notary, Gazetted Officer of the Central Government/ Government of Puducherry/ Manager of a recognized public house or similar recognized charitable institution/ Special Officer or Commissioner of a Municipality or a Commune Panchayat / Chairman of a Municipal Council or a Commune Panchayat / Member of the Lok Sabha / Rajya Sabha/Legislative Assembly)
APPENDIX - II

[See Rule 5(4)(vi)]

AFFIDAVIT
(For Unmarried Women)

I ....................................................... D/o ..................................................
residing at ................................................................................................................
do hereby solemnly and sincerely affirm and state as follows.

I was born on ............................ at ......................................... and I have not married or entered into matrimonial union with any person. Therefore by virtue of being above 40 years of age but not entered into marriage/matrimonial union, I an unmarried woman for the purpose of grant of pension to unmarried women under the Puducherry Old Age Persons and Destitute Pension Rules, 2011.

I do not have any relative legally bound to maintain me/I have a relative legally bound to maintain me but the annual income of any relative does not exceed Rs.24,000.

I further state that I will intimate the fact in the event of getting married on entering into matrimonial union with any person and will cease to draw pension for unmarried woman with effect from the date of marriage.

Place :
Date :

Signature
Signed before me

Name, Designation, Signature &
Seal of the *attesting authority

(By order of the Lieutenant-Governor)

(G.THEVANEETHI DHAS)
Special Secretary to Government (WEL)