

**Serial No. 3431.—Circular No. 5E/11-II(Eiv), dated 18-6-1966.**

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A copy of Ministry of Finance Office Memorandum No. F.23(26)E-V(B)/65, dated 21-2-1966 received under Railway Board's letter No. F(P)64PF2/3 dated 7-4-1966 is forwarded herewith for information and guidance, so far as staff governed by G.P.F.(CS) Rules 1960 are concerned.

*Copy of the O.M. No. F.23(26)E.V.(B)/65, dated 21-2-1966 from the Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure, New Delhi to all Ministries of the Govt. of India, etc. etc.*

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The undersigned is directed to say that in terms of proviso to sub rule 1 of rule 16 of the G.P.F. (CS)Rule, 1960, the amount of final withdrawal sanctioned to a subscriber under this sub-rule together with the amount of advance already availed of by him under the scheme of Ministry of Works and Housing for the grant of advances for house building purposes or under any other scheme of assistance in this regard from any Govt. source should not exceed Rs. 75,000 or five year's pay, whichever is less.

2. It has been brought to the notice of the Govt. of India that in a large number of cases where final withdrawal are sanctioned for the purpose in question, the information as regards the officer's pay or the amount of advance drawn by him from the Ministry of Works and Housing or any other assistant from any Govt. source are not specifically mentioned in the sanction letter. The result is that the Audit Officer is unable to satisfy himself whether the provisions of the proviso to sub-rule 1 of rule 16 mentioned above are satisfied in a particular case or not.

3. The matter has been considered in consultation with the Comptroller and Auditor General and it has been decided that in future, in all cases, where a final withdrawal is sanctioned from the P.F. for purposes specified in clauses (d), (e) and (f) of sub-rule (1) of rule 15 G.P.F. (C.S.) Rules, 1960 the sanctioning authority must indicate in the sanction letter (i) the pay of the subscriber at the time of sanctioning of final withdrawal, (ii) particulars and amount of advance drawn by him for house-building purposes under the scheme of the Ministry of Works and Housing and (iii) the amount of any other assistance in this regard received by him from any other Govt. source.

4. These orders will apply, *mutatis-mutandis*, to the withdrawals sanctioned under the G.P.F. Rules (India, 1962 for house building purposes).

5. The Ministry of Home Affairs etc. are requested to bring the contents of this office Memorandum to all authorities under them who are dealing with Provident Fund cases, for compliance.