

UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION

COMMISSION CIRCULAR NO. 973

No.20, Ward Place, Colombo 07 04.01.2012

Vice-Chancellors of Universities Rectors of Campuses Directors of Institutes

REVISION OF ALLOWANCES GOVERNMENT, CORPORATIONS STATUTORY BOARDS AND PROJECT STAFF AS PER THE BUDGET PROPOSALS -2012

Your attention is invited to Commission Circular No. 943 of 17.01.2011 on revision of salaries and allowances of the employees in the Public Corporations, Statutory Bodies, Fully owned Government Companies and Project Staff on budget proposals -2011.

2. The University Grants Commission at its 841st meeting held on 05th January 2012 having considered the provisions in Management Services Circular No. 46 of 12.12.2011 to revise the five percent (5%) special allowance as fifteen percent (15%) on budget proposals – 2012, granted approval to implement such provisions to the University staff as well as described below. A copy of the Management Services Circular No. 46 is annexed herewith.

Special Allowance

The special allowance being paid as five percent (5%) of the basic salary (exclusive of allowances) mentioned in Commission Circular No. 943 should be revised and paid to the University staff as mentioned below;

- (a) The employees who serve in the posts entitled to salary scales of which the initial monthly salary is less than Rs. 24725/- shall be paid an amount equivalent to fifteen percent (15%) of the basic salary (excluding other allowances) with effect from 01.01.2012.
- (b) The employees who serve in the posts entitled to salary scales of which the initial monthly salary is Rs.24725/- or above shall be paid an amount equivalent to ten percent (10%) of the basic salary (excluding other allowances) with effect from 01.01.2012. Said amount should be paid having calculated as fifteen percent (15%) with effect from 01.07.2012.

Daily wages

The amount equivalent to five percent (5%) on the daily wage being paid (other than the cost of living allowance) to the employees serving on casual/ daily basis should be revised as fifteen percent (15%) and paid with effect from 01.01.2012.

3. The special allowance payable accordingly should be taken into account for the purpose of calculating the payment of equalization allowance to Medically and Dentally qualified teachers, attached to any faculty and Medical Officers and Dental Surgeons attached to Health Centers in the University System.

- 4. The cost of living allowance of Rs.5850/- p.m. paid at present to the employees in the University System and the cost of living allowance of Rs.195/- per day to the employees serving on casual/ daily basis will continue to be applied.
- 5. In case of excess payment made to any person as a result of misinterpretation of these instructions, miscalculations or erroneous documents, such person is liable to refund the excess amount so paid and should take action to recover such amount from the persons concerned.
- 6. The Commission Circular No.943 of 17.01.2011 will be rescinded with the implementation of this circular.
- 7. Please take action accordingly.

(Prof. Gamini Samaranayake) Chairman

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Secretaries of Ministries, Chief Secretaries of Provincial Councils, Chairmen of Government Corporations, Statutory Boards and Fully owned Government Companies

Revision of Allowances of Government Corporations, Statutory Boards and Project Staffs As per the Budget Proposals 2012

Payment of allowances declared by Budget Proposals 2012 shall be implemented as follows.

02. These payments should be made to the employees in Government Corporations, Statutory Boards and project staffs covered by Management Services Circular No. 33 other than the institutions where salaries and allowances are determined by collective agreements or where the employees are monthly paid a variable Cost of Living Allowance based on Colombo Consumer Price Index or where salaries are determined by collective agreements or such an understanding. Any other institutions should not pay this allowance without the prior approval of the Treasury.

03. Special Allowance

The Special Allowance being paid as five percent (5%) of basic salary exclusive of allowances under the Para 2.1 of Management Circular No. 43 dated 10.01.2011 should be revised and paid as follows.

- a) The employees who serve in posts entitled to salary scales of which the initial monthly salary is less than Rs. 24,725/- in all the Government Corporations, Statutory Boards and Fully Owned Government Companies, and employees not coming under the categories of A,B and C under the Para 4.2.1 of Management Services Circular No. 33 dated 05.04.2007 in respect of recruitment and management of project staffs shall be paid a special allowance calculated as fifteen percent (15%) of basic salary excluding other allowances with effect from 01.01.2012.
- b) All employees who serve in posts entitled to salary scales of which the initial monthly salary is Rs. 24,725/- or above in Government Corporations, Statutory Boards, Fully Owned Government Companies and staffs belonging to the categories of A,B and C under the Para 4.2.1 of Management Circular No. 33 dated 05.04.2007 in respect of recruitment, remuneration and management of project staffs shall be paid a special allowance calculated as ten percent

(10%) of basic salary excluding other allowances with effect from 01.01.2012. Said allowance should be paid having calculated as fifteen percent (15%) with effect from 01.07.2012.

04. Daily Wages

The five percent (5%) allowance being paid on the daily wage (other than the Cost of Living Allowance) to the employees serving on casual/daily basis should be revised as fifteen percent (15%) and paid with effect from 01.01.2012.

05. Erroneous Calculations

In case of an excess payment made to any person as a result of misinterpretation of these instructions, miscalculations or erroneous documents, such person is liable to refund the excess amount so paid and the institutions should immediately take measures to recover such amount from the persons concerned. It is the responsibility of Finance Managers / Accountants to take action in order to avoid such errors.

Sigd/P.B. Jayasundara Secretary to the Treasury and Ministry of Finance and Planning

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