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The Secretary,

Department of Personnel & Training, (Government of India), North Block, New Delhi-110001

Dear Sir,

Sub: Central Government Employees Group Insurance Scheme(CGEGIS)

Ref.: (i) Customized CGEGIS, Dept. of Expenditure, MoF's OM dated 07.12.2018

- (ii) <u>Brief on Customized Group Insurance Scheme (Dept. of Expenditure 06.05.2019)</u>
- (iii) Brief Note on CGEGIS (DoPT 06.05.2019)
- (iv) Revised proposal for LIC's customized Group Insurance(GI) for Central Government Employees (13.09.2019)
- 1. Revision of Central Government Employees Group Insurance Scheme (CGEGIS) is long overdue since the rates of Sum Assured and the premium thereof continues to be the same since it was decided in 1990 in spite of much inflation and devaluation of money.
- 2.1. Arising out of 7<sup>th</sup> CPC recommendations and based on JCM (Staff Side) representation, the Union Cabinet had asked the Ministry of Finance to work out a **Customized Group Insurance Scheme for Central Government Employees** with low premium and high risk cover.
- 2.2. Staff Side had pointed out that the existing **Scheme of CGEGIS** is having a proven system. It is good except for non-revision of the scheme since 1990.
- 2.3. Subsequently, some of the **Customized Group Insurance Scheme for Central Government Employees** prepared by LIC was shared with the JCM (Staff Side).
- 3. <u>Main drawbacks in LIC proposals</u>: Staff Side finds following major flaws in the proposal submitted by LIC to Department of Expenditure:
- 3.1 LIC has not given any proposal for the sum assured of **50 lakh**, **25 lakh and 15 lakh** at lesser subscription compared to the recommended by 7th CPC, as advised by the Cabinet.
- 3.2 The existing system of **CGEGIS** is a self-financing scheme, having non-transferable consolidated fund. When handed over to LIC, it will be treated as a profit centre. Hence subscription and other conditions will be changed to provide profit to LIC.

- 3.3 LIC has proposed a premium(for insurance) **20**% higher than 7th CPC recommendations. In addition to that, **18**% **GST** on the Subscription have to be borne by employees. Hence, employee will end up in contributing subscription **41.6**% more than the recommendations of the 7<sup>th</sup> CPC.
- 3.4 **LIC's proposal of revising the subscription every year will be disadvantageous** to the employee and as such not acceptable to the Staff Side.
- 3.5 LIC's proposal of age based subscription increases monthly subscription by **4.28 times**. It may result in different rates of premium for employees belonging to different age group working in the same pay level.
- 3.6 **LIC also proposed for higher subscription** if total number of employees covered in the scheme comes down. This will bring in total uncertainty as staff strength on roll continues to fluctuate due to retirement etc. and non-filling of vacancies.
- 3.7 **LIC** asked for transfer of existing corpus (around Rs.500 crore) which was most unreasonable, unprecedented and undesirable, particularly since it does not provide any matching relief to the employees in terms of lower premium.
- 3.8 **Premium proposed to be charged by LIC was too high**, considering a very large group employees to be covered with a sanctioned strength of nearly 38.6 lakh Central Government employees in the CGEGIS.
- a) In LIC's Jeevan Amar Life Term Assurance Plan (UIN: 512N332V01), for the assured sum of Rs. 50 Lakh at the entry age of 20, annual premium is Rs.4,356, at the entry age of 30,it is Rs. 6,952. (The sample illustrative premiums for Jeevan Amar life term assurance plan is attached as Annexure-I).
  - b) Even after adding for Saving Fund under CGEGIS @ 3 times of the premium for Life Term Assurance Plan, the total amount of subscription for CGEGIS will be less than half of the monthly subscription proposed by the LIC and by the 7th CPC.
  - c) **Monthly Subscription can be reduced by 20%** when the scheme is applied for more than 30 lakh employees as a Group as per details given in <u>Table-2</u>, based on the Premium for Individual Term Insurance indicated in <u>Table 1</u> below:-

Table-1: Monthly subscription in proportion to LIC's Jeevan Amar Life Term Assurance Plan):

Pay Level of Employee	Insurance Amount	Proposed r CGEGIS (In proportion Jeevan Amar	Corresponding SA (Savings) For 30 years of		
	Recommen ded by 7 <sup>th</sup> CPC Rs.	Insurance Fund (25%) Rs.	Savings Fund (75%) (##) Rs.	Total Monthly Subscription Rs.	service @8% annual interest Monthly compounding
Level 10 & above	50,00,000	600	1800	2400	27,02,331
Level 6 to 9	25,00,000	300	900	1200	13,51,165

Level 1 to 5	15,00,000	200	600	900	9,00,777

(#) **Based on entry age of 30 years for Individual Term Insurance.** (Premium amount rounded off to next hundred Rs.) (##)7<sup>th</sup> CPC recommended a ratio of 75:25 for savings fund to insurance fund.

<u>Table-2</u> Monthly subscription for Group Insurance @ 20% lesser than subscription charged by LIC for Individual Life Term Assurance (shown in table-1) plus savings Fund in the ratio 25:75

	Insurance Amount	Proposed monthly subscription for CGEGIS - (20% less than LIC's Jeevan Amar Term Assurance Plan's premium) (#)			Correspondin g SA (Savings) For 30 years
Pay Level of Employee	Recommend ed by 7 <sup>th</sup> CPC Rs.	Insurance Fund (25%) Rs.	Savings Fund (75%) (##) Rs.	Total Monthly Subscription Rs.	of service @8% annual interest Monthly compounding
Level 10 above	50,00,000	480	1440	1920	21.61,865
Level 6 to 9	25,00,000	240	720	960	10,80,932
Level 1 to 5	15,00,000	160	480	640	7,20,621

## 4. PROPOSALS OF THE STAFF SIDE

1.1. Staff Side proposes that for the sum assured recommended by 7<sup>th</sup> CPC the following rates of Monthly subscription @ 20% less than the Premium for Individual Term Insurance plus Savings Fund as derived in table-2 above.

	Insurance Amount	Proposed monthly subscription for CGEGIS - (20% less than LIC's Jeevan Amar Term Assurance Plan's premium)			
Pay Level of Employee	Recommended by 7 <sup>th</sup> CPC Rs.	Insurance Fund (25%) Rs.	Savings Fund (75%) Rs.	Total Monthly Subscription Rs.	
Level 10 & above	50,00,000	480	1440	1920	
Level 6 to 9	25,00,000	240	720	960	
Level 1 to 5	15,00,000	160	480	640	

- 4.2 **Monthly Subscriptions** of **Rs.1920**, **Rs.960** and **Rs.640** for **Sum Assured of Rs. 50 lakh, 25 lakh and 15 lakh** for the Levels proposed by the 7<sup>th</sup> Pay Commission respectively and payable to the family of the deceased employee in case of an employee's death.
- 4.3 Ratio of the Insurance Fund and Saving Fund should be 25%: 75% respectively.
- In case of retirement, employees be paid a maturity benefit in proportion to the subscription, length of service and applicable interest rates.
- 4.5 The **CGEGIS** should continue to be handled by the Government as here to for.

- 4.6 The proposal to tie up with **LIC** should be dropped forthwith especially keeping in view the drawbacks in the proposal of LIC, as enlisted earlier in this letter,
- 4.7 The **Revised Scheme**, drawn after consideration of the above proposals, may please be discussed with the JCM Staff Side, and be finalised early as the revision thereof has already been delayed for too long.

Hoping for an early favourable decision on the long pending issue is solicited

Sincerely yours,

(Shiva Gopal Mishra) Secretary(Staff Side) National Council(JCM)

Encl: 1 Annexure

√Copy: **Secretary**, Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance – for necessary action please.

## LIC's JEEVAN AMAR LIFE TERM ASSURANCE PLAN (UIN: 512N332V01)

The sample illustrative premiums for both **Option I** (Level Sum Assured) and **Option II** (Increasing Sum Assured) for **Basic Sum Assured of Rs.50 Lakh**.

## Option I (Level Sum Assured):

Age	Policy	Regular	Annual Premium for	Annual Premium for	Single
	term	Annual	limited premium Paying	limited premium Paying	Premium
		Premium	term of (Policy term minus	term of (Policy term	
			5) years	minus 10) years	
20	20	Rs. 4,356	Rs. 5,104	Rs.6,556	Rs.48,928
30	20	Rs. 6,952	Rs. 6,952	Rs.8,932	Rs.66,088
40	20	Rs.13,545	Rs. 13,545	Rs.17,595	Rs.1,27,395

**Option II (Increasing Sum Assured):** 

Age	Policy	Regular	Ánnual Premium for	Annual Premium for	Single Premium
	term	Annual	limited premium Paying	limited premium	
		Premium	term of (Policy term	Paying term of (Policy	
			minus 5) years	term minus 10) years	
20	20	Rs. 5,715	Rs. 5715	Rs. 8,595	Rs. 63,720
30	20	Rs. 8,415	Rs. 8415	Rs. 12,870	Rs. 94,095
40	20	Rs. 17,664	Rs. 17644	Rs. 27,232	Rs. 1,95,868

## Eligibility conditions and other Restrictions:

- a) Minimum Age at entry: [18] years (Last Birthday)
- b) Maximum Age at entry: [65] years (Last Birthday)
- c) Maximum age at Maturity: [80] years (Last Birthday)
- d) Minimum Basic Sum Assured: Rs. 25,00,000/-.
- e) Maximum Basic Sum Assured: No Limit.

The Basic Sum Assured shall be in multiples of: Rs. 1,00,000/-, if Basic Sum Assured for the policy is Rs.25,00,000/- to Rs. 40,00,000/-

Rs. 10,00,000/-, if Basic Sum Assured for the policy is above Rs. 40,00,000/-.

- f) Policy Term: [10 to 40] years
- g) Premium Paying Term:

Regular Premium: Same as policy term

Limited Premium: [Policy Term minus 5] years for Policy Term [10 to 40] years

: [Policy Term minus 10] years for Policy Term [15 to 40] years