

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
FINANCE DEPARTMENT

No. FIN-NPS-SCHEME-0001-2019/ 1394 /F., Date: 15.01.2026

From

Sri Ashok Kumar Dixit,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

To

The Director of Treasuries & Inspection,
Odisha, Bhubaneswar.

Sub: Exercise of option for availing the benefits of family pension upon in- service death in respect of State Government employees covered under National Pension System (NPS)-regarding.

Madam,

In inviting reference to the subject cited above, I am directed to say that, existing State Government employees, covered under NPS, were given revised timeline up to 19.05.2024, to exercise their option in Form-I, for availing the family pension benefit upon in-service death vide this Department OM No. 12587/F, dated 19.05.2022 regarding OCS (Pension)Rules 1992/NPS , OM No. 21877/F, dated 03.08.2023 read with Corrigendum No. 23885/F, dated 23.08.2023.

Recently, State Government in Finance Department has allowed the State Government employees covered under National Pension System, who were already in service on dated 19.05.2022, to exercise their option by **31.01.2026** vide **FD OM No. 34736/F., dated 15.12.2025**. However, it is observed that, some Head of Office(s)/ DDO(s) and employees are still unaware of the latest development, resulting in further requests for extension of timeline before this Department.

It is, therefore, requested to create awareness in the field establishments through the Treasuries and to instruct all the Treasuries to ensure that, while receiving the salary bills for the month of January, a certificate is obtained from the concerned DDOs to the effect that all the existing eligible employees covered under NPS have exercised their option in the prescribed form(s) as per FDOM No. 12587/F dated 19.05.2022, read with FDOM No. 34736/F dated 15.12.2025, within the extended deadline, i.e. by **31.01.2026 positively**.

Yours faithfully,

Ashok Dixit
15/1/26

Deputy Secretary to Government

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Copy forwarded to all the Departments of Government (except Finance Department) for wide circulation of the aforementioned OMs issued by this Department and instruct the Heads of Department/ Head of Offices/ DDOs under their administrative control, to do the needful by the **deadline** positively.

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Deputy Secretary to Government

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Copy forwarded to all the Establishment Branches of this Department for information and necessary action. They are further requested to impart necessary instructions to this effect to the field offices under their control to do the needful without fail.

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Deputy Secretary to Government