GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEFENCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6014 ANSWERED ON:14.05.2012 PENSION TO JCOS Tanwar Shri Ashok

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the order the Armed Forces Tribunal for increasing the pension of Junior Commissioned Officers (JCOs) and those below them with effect from 1 July, 2009, which aims to bring parity with post-2006 retirees;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI M.M. PALLAM RAJU)

- (a) As per the question it is not clear as to which Armed Forces Tribunal's order the Hon'ble MP has referred to. However it seems that reference has been made to a common order dated 30.5.2011 passed by Armed Forces Tribunal, Chandigarh in OA No.50 of 2011 filed by Hardev Singh and Others Vs Union of India and Others.
- (b) The Hon'ble AFT Chandigarh in a bunch of petitions has directed that the pension of JCOs including the petitioners, be fixed at Rs.15465/- and Rs.16145/- with effect from 1.7.2009 on the basis of Table 133 which was annexed with Ministry of Defence letter No. PC 10(1)/2009-D(Pen/Pol) dated 8.3.2010, due to oversight. However, this Table 133 indicating revised rates of ordinary pension in respect of pre-1.6.1953 retiree Hony Viceroy Commissioned Officers has since been removed vide corrigendum letter No. PC(10)(1)/2009-D(Pen/Pol)Vol.II dated 15th April 2011 as it was noted that there was no such category as pre 1.6.1953 retiree Hony Viceroy Commissioned Officers.
- (c) Ministry has proposed to file Appeal against AFTs order.