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DISABLED WAR VETERAN (INDIA) REGD

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Diwave striving hard to help & support War Disabled Soldiers in their medical, Pension problems and misc matters. Diwave has been maintaining close liaison with MoD, Armed Forces Headquarters, DIAV and ECHS authorities for the Welfare of War Disabled Soldiers, Diwave has continued its efforts to update you on latest Policies / Decisions taken by MoD affecting directly or indirectly War Disabled Soldiers / Battle Casualties and their families.

We all the War Disabled Soldiers / members of DIWAVE stand united to pursue our mission to enable Government & people to come forward to pay adequate attention in addressing the issues of War Disabled Soldiers / Battle Casualties.

I am thankful to all those who have contributed / donated for smooth functioning of DIWAVE, saved it from facing the financial crunch, funds are required to meet legal expenses, request those who have not yet contributed / donated, please contribute / donate liberally.

Once again I appeal to all members to participate more in Whats'App group and also visit DIWAVE office as per their convenience to interact and resolve their queries.

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Jai Hind!

Col HN Handa (Retd)
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War Disabled Soldiers / Battle Casualties have sacrificed while doing their duty

Now it is your turn to look after them



DIAV

Points and Issues taken up with DIAV since 05 May 2025. DIAV is yet to respond or give an appointment for discussion.

1. Implementation of order No **200847 /Pen-C/1971 dated 24 Feb 1972.**
2. Sparsh: the problems being faced by war disabled soldiers / battle casualties.
3. Constant Attendant Allowance be enhanced by 100% in 8th CPC.
4. Liberalized pension for the widows of the war disabled soldiers.
5. Upgradation of wards for the war disabled soldiers / battle casualties in armed forces hospitals & empanelled hospitals to Semi Private.
6. IT exemption for war disabled battle casualties and withdrawal of CBDT Circular No 13/2019 dt 24 Jun 2019.
7. Priority in employment for wards for war disabled soldiers in ECHS.
8. Education Reservation & Concessions.
 - (a) Priority for reservation / preference to the wards of armed forces personnel by States/UT's for admission to medical/professional/non-professional courses. MoD should issue instruction to Rajya Sainik Boards of states.
 - (b) Reversing the priority for wards of war disabled / battle casualty retained in service. Wards of those BCs superannuated should also be under PRIORITY-II

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9. Recognition of the sacrifice of war disabled / battle casualties. conspicuous looking badge and instead of war disabled they should be called as "**Veer Youdha**" for their recognition.
10. Awareness of the war disabled / battle casualties, invite and separate enclosures for war disabled / battle casualties in armed forces and for national functions like Independence Day, Republic Day, Vijay Diwas etc at MH/CH/ECHS polyclinics/URCs.
11. Special Parking for vehicles of war disabled veterans .
12. Homage at National War Memorial India Gate by war disabled veterans twice a year.

Med/ECHS

13. Priority in employment for wards for war disabled soldiers in ECHS.
14. Home for the war disabled soldiers / battle casualties with specialized care by specially trained staff at Military Stations preferably within MH/CH campus.
15. Construction of ramps for use of wheel chair. Availability of wheel chairs with assistance at designated placed at hospitals/ECHS polyclinic/URCs etc.
16. Display of boards: priority for the war disabled veterans / battle casualties and their spouses in all armed forces hospitals ECHS clinics. Order exist but implementation is lacking. The computer program should be designed for such priority/wait listing.
17. **More Artificial Limb Centres.** Time taken for prosthesis should be reduced for war disabled / battle casualties; increase empanelment of hospitals for endolite.
18. **Appointment of Nodal officer in Military Hospitals.** For immediate resolution of issues faced by war disabled soldiers / battle casualties. Separate Queue for War Disabled at Reception of Army Hosp (R&R) and Base hospital and all Commanded Hospitals.

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19. Issue of smart CSD card with orange strip to war disabled soldiers / battle casualties URC Centers designated for war widows/war disabled soldiers.
20. Transfer from one hospital to the other hospital: all arrangements should be done by the hospital as being done earlier. Case needs to be taken up with MoD through ECHS/AFMS.
21. Guest room charges in Armed Forces Institutions, formations/units be 50% for war disabled soldiers.

Revision of Financial Assistance Amount of Penury Grant, Marriage Grant and Education Grant under Armed Forces Flag Day Fund.

22. The following grants have been revised vide Govt of India, Min of Defence, Deptt of Ex-Servicemen letter No 22(31)/2025-D(Res-II) dated 15 Oct 2025:-

- (a) **Penury Grant.** From ₹ 4000/- per month to ₹ 8000/-.
- (b) **Marriage Grant.** From ₹ 50,000/- to ₹ 1,00,000/-.
- (c) **Education Grant.** From ₹ 1000/- to ₹ 2,000/-

Grant of Medical Facilities under Ex-Servicemen Contributory Health Scheme (ECHS) to officer cadets who are invalidated from their training on medical ground due to causes attributable to or aggravated by Military Training.

23. Medical facilities under Ex-Servicemen Contributory Health Scheme (ECHS) to officer cadets who are invalidated from their training on medical ground has been granted vide Govt of India, Min of Def, Deptt of Ex-Servicemen Welfare letter No 18(5)/2024-D(WE) dated 29 Aug 2025.

24. **Addendum to Implementation Directives of ECHS Common Drug List (ECDL-2024) and policy of Non Availability Certificate (NAC) for Non CDL Drug.** It is intimated that if any medicine prescribed by the ECHS PC doctor and the same medicine is not available (NA) at the dispensary of ECHS PC, then OIC ECHS PC either procures medicines from Authorised Local Chemist (ALC) and provide the same to the veterans within 24 hrs if ALC is located within municipal limits in which concerned ECHS PC located and within 72 hrs when ALC was located outside municipal limit. If ALC is not able to provide medicine in the given time, then issue NA on pre-subscription to ECHS beneficiary based on which the beneficiary can purchase the medicine from local med store and claim reimbursement. (Authority Central Organisation ECHS, Integrated HQ of MoD (Army), AG's Branch letter No B/49761/AG/ECHS/Medicine Policy/2024 dt 12 Nov 2024 and B/49769/AG/ECHS dt 10 Nov 2025).

Participated in Various Activities.

25. The officials of DIWAVE attended the following activities conducted by DoPPW, Govt of India and Times Network Samarth Hyundai:-

- (a) Nationwide Digital Life Certificate Campaign 4.0 on 03 Nov 2025 at NDMC Convention Centre, Jai Singh Road, opp Jantar Mantar, New Delhi- 110001.
- (b) Samarth India Conclave & Expo 2025- An initiative dedicated to building a more inclusive India for persons with disabilities on 17 Nov 2025 at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi.

Ongoing Court Cases Status

26. Cases in AFT No. 248/13 & 431/14, for implementation of Govt letter dated 24 Feb 1972. **Next date of hearing is 08 Jan 2026.**

27. Case for "**Priority For Admission In Professional Courses & Medical Colleges For Wards Of War Disabled Retained In Service**" filed in Hon'ble High Court Delhi in **WP No 3973/2022** dated **07 Mar 2022**. Next date of hearing is awaited.

28. **Enhanced / Liberalized pension for the Widows of War Disabled Soldiers / Battle Causalities** **WP(C) 14747/2023**. The case was listed for hearing in Delhi High Court on 30 Oct 2025. This bench is fixing dates with 6 Months gap. The advocate is filling request to Chief Justice for the change of Bench.

29. **WP No 953/2019** dated **26 Jul 2019** on "**Exemption of Income Tax for War Disabled Soldiers / Battle Causalities retained in Service**" The matter was last fixed for hearing on 18/12/2024. Next date of hearing awaited.

DIWAVE – Follow Up Ongoing Issues.

30. **Constant Attendance Allowance .** DIWAVE has taken up case with Deptt of Ex-Servicemen, Ministry of Defence, Govt of India to enhance CAA. The case has been considered by the Govt and CAA revised from ₹ 6750/- to ₹ 8438/- per month with effect from 01 Jan 2024. (Authority Govt of India, Deptt of Ex-Servicemen Welfare letter No F.No 5(I)/2025/D(P/P) dt 30 Apr 2025.

31. **Grant of Enhanced Pension Of 20% On Completion Of 79 Years Of Age.**

The various AFTs & High Courts have issued orders that 20% enhanced pension should be granted on completion of 79 yrs of age instead 80 yrs of age. The Guwahati High Court on 15/03/2018 gave judgment to grant the same was challenged by Govt of India by filling SLP in Hon'ble Supreme Court and SLP was dismissed on 08/10/2019. DIWAVE has requested to Secretary, Defence Finance, for issue of directions to enhanced 20% pension of all soldiers on completion on 79 years at earliest.

32. **Special Vehicle Number Plates And Other Concession In Recognition, Respect And Honouring The Sacrifice Of War Disabled Soldiers / Battle Casualties.** DIWAVE once again requested that special vehicle number plates and other concession in recognition, respect and honoring the sacrifice of War Disabled Soldier / Battle casualties may please be considered. The minor gestures not only create respect honour and recognition of the sacrifice of the War Disabled Soldiers / Battle Casualties in the mind of public, also encourage the serving soldiers to perform their duty without fear and sends invite to the young to join Armed Forces.

Follow up Issues of Veterans.

33. DIWAVE has taken up case with PCDA(P) Allahabad regarding Entitled Family Pension and refund of massive deduction from the pension of Mrs Namita Mahajan widow of Late Capt NK Mahajan on 07 Oct 2025. Now she is getting correct family pension from Nov 2025 and credited ₹1,26,300/-in her acct as refund.

34. **Non Receipt of Entitled Pension/Massive Recovery/Stoppage of War Injury/ Disability Pension.** DIWAVE has taken up case with PCDA (P) Allahabad and concerned Record offices for non receipt of entitled pension/massive recovery/Stoppage of War Injury/Disability Pension in respect of following war disabled veterans:-

- (a) No 1031585K Ex-Sep Joginder Singh of Sikh Regt.
- (b) No 3387601A Ex-Hav Sahib Singh of Sikh Regt.
- (c) No 14267315W Ex-Nk Patil Rajendra Vishu of Corps of Signals.
- (d) No 2653031 Ex-Sep Hadish Khan of Grenadiers Regt.
- (e) No 2660440 Ex-Sep Banne Khan of Grenadiers Regt.
- (f) No 13660306 Ex-Gdsm Gour Chandra Gain of The Brigade of Guards Regt.

- (g) No 2687985 Ex-Hav Ramraj Meena of Grenadiers Regt.
- (h) No 13693696P Ex-Hav Jagannath Padhiary of The Brigade of Guards Regt.
- (j) No 15313717L Ex-Hav Perumal Samy P of MEG.
- (k) No 3188636Y Ex-Sep Kuldeep Kumar Sirohi of JAT Regt.