GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT


LABOUR EMPLOYMENT TRAINING AND FACTORIES (LAB.IV) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 298 Dated: 06.3.2012

Read the following:-


ORDER:

In the G.Os. 1st to 3rd read above, Government have issued orders approving the schemes for providing financial assistance of Rs.2,00,000/- towards accidental death relief and Rs.30,000 for natural death in respect of the Building and Other Construction Workers who are registered as beneficiaries with the Andhra Pradesh Building and Other Construction Workers Welfare Board.

U/s 16(1) of Building and Other Construction Workers Regulations of Employment & Conditions of service Act, 1996, a building worker who has been registered as a beneficiary under this Act shall, until he attains the age of sixty years, contribute to the fund at such rate per mensem as may be specified by the State Government, by notification in the Official Gazette and different rates of contribution may be specified for different classes of building workers. Provided that the Board may, if satisfied that a beneficiary is unable to pay his contribution due to any financial hardship, waive the payment of contribution for a period not exceeding three months at a time. Further u/s 17 of Act when a beneficiary has not paid his contribution under sub-section (1) of Section 16 for a continuous period of not less than one year, he shall cease to be a beneficiary. Provided that if the Secretary of the Board is satisfied that the non-payment of contribution was for a reasonable ground and that the building worker is willing to deposit the arrears, he may allow the building worker to deposit the contribution in arrears and on such deposit being made, the registration of building worker shall stand restored.

The Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Building and Other Construction Workers’ Welfare Board in his letters 4th read above has stated that several representations have been received from the Building and Other Construction Workers Unions that their members were registered under Building and Other Construction workers Act and their membership period of one year is over. Due to lack of knowledge/ poverty and ignorance, the members could not renewed the membership for subsequent years. Meanwhile certain construction workers met with accidents and when the workers / their dependents approached, the Building and Other

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Construction workers Welfare Board did not entertain the claims on the ground that their membership has lapsed. He has, therefore, requested the Government to permit the Board to extend accidental death relief and natural death relief to these workers, as a special case, to avoid hardship to them.

The Government after careful examination hereby accord permission to the Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Building and Other Construction Workers Welfare Board to sanction the claims to the workers / their dependents who could not renewed the membership subsequent years due to lack of knowledge and ignorance as per the orders issued in the GOs first and second read above, an humanitarian grounds as a special case to avoid hardship to the construction workers and dependents of the deceased workers.

The Commissioner of Labour & Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Building & Other Construction Workers Welfare Board shall take action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

D.SREENIVASULU
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Commissioner of Labour, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
The Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Building and Other Construction Workers Welfare Board, Hyderabad
Copy to:
The P.S. to Hon’ble Minister for Labour & Factories Department.
The P.S. to Prl. Secy., LET & F Department.
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