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Government of India,
Ministry of Women & Child Development

New Delhi, dated 08.03.2019

To

Subject: Extension of Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maan-Dhan (PM-SYM) pension scheme to Anganwadi Workers (AWWs) / Anganwadi Helpers (AWHs) – regarding.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to state that the Government of India has introduced Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maan-Dhan (PM-SYM) pension scheme for the unorganised sectors in the country to ensure old age protection. The Scheme envisages assured pension of Rs. 3000/- per month after attaining the age of 60 years. The details of the scheme are available on the website address <https://labour.gov.in/pm-sym>. Some of the highlights of the scheme are as under:

- Applicable to those having monthly income of Rs.15,000/- or less.
- Scheme is applicable to persons between 18-40 years age.
- Assured pension of Rs. 3000 p.m. after 60 years of age.
- The monthly contribution varies from Rs. 55/- to Rs. 200/- depending upon the age of entry.
- Provision of Family pension.
- 50% matching contribution is to be borne by Central Government.
- It is a voluntary contribution pension scheme.
- They should not be covered under New Pension Scheme (NPS) etc.

2. Under the Anganwadi Services scheme, AWWs/AWHs are already covered under the Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY) and Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMSBY).

3. AWWs & AWHs are paid monthly honoraria of Rs. 4500/- and Rs. 2250/- p.m. respectively besides incentive of Rs. 500/- to AWWs and Rs. 250/- to AWHs. Their honoraria was enhanced recently in October 2018 by more than 50%. States/UTs also pay additional honorarium from their resources.

4. Considering the long standing demand of the AWWs and AWHs for extending social security benefits, it is requested that all the District Project Officers, CDPOs and Supervisors under the Anganwadi Services may be directed to encourage eligible AWWs/AWHs to voluntarily enrol themselves under the Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maan-Dhan pension scheme and pay their monthly contribution in order to get assured pension after attaining the age of 60 years.



5. The extension of Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maan-Dhan pension scheme to AWWs/AWHs will not confer on them any right to claim regularization of their services. The AWWs /AWHs shall continue to remain honorary workers.

Noted
08.03.19

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All the Directors (dealing with Anganwadi Services), WCD Department of all States/UTs.