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**GRANT OF ECHS MEMBERSHIP TO THE EX-SAILORS APPOINTMENT PRIOR TO 03 JUL 1976 AND DISCHARGED ON OR AFTER 03 JUL 1976 ON EXPIRY OF 10 YEARS OF SERVICES, IN THE CONTEXT OF HON'BLE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA ORDER DATED 27 SEP 2018 IN CONTEMPT PETITION(C) NO. 1860/2017 AND 924/2018 AND MA NO 1067/2018 IN CIVIL APPEAL NO.2147/2011 WITH CONTEMPT PETITION(c) NO. 04/2018 IN SLP(c) NO. 19790/2010- REG**

1. Please refs:-

- (a) Govt of India, MoD, DoESWD(WE) letter No 22D(01)/2020-D(WE)/Res-1 dt 21 Jan 2020.
- (b) CO ECHS letter No B/49701-PR /AG/ECHS/2020 dt 28 Jan 2020.
- (c) HQ of MoD(Navy) letter No ECHS/002A/CII Org dt 16 May 2020.
- (d) CO ECHS letter No B/49701-PR - Gen /AG/ECHS/2020 dt 30 Jun 2020.

2. It is further clarified that, the proposal to treat the subject veterans as pre-1996 retirees was analysed with due deliberation at the time of consideration of grant of ECHS membership to the subject ex-sailors. The eligibility for a pre 1996 retiree status for exemption of membership fee is only for veterans who are ESM and pensioners prior to 01 Jan 1996.


3. Competent Authority ruled that they be categorised as **Post 2003 Retiree Not a Member Yet (First Time Applicant)** as they attained the twin criteria of eligibility of being ESM and pensioners only after the Hon'ble Supreme Court Judgment on 27 Sep 2018.

4. In view of the above, grant of ECHS membership to above category of veterans will be guided by following rules as on date :-

- (a) They may apply under the category of **(Ex- Serviceman Pensioner) Post 2003 Retiree Not a Member Yet (First Time Applicant)** (No separate status/category of "Reservist" or "Special Pensioners" is under consideration).

(b) One time contribution as applicable on the day of application will be paid by the above category of veterans.

5. This has the approval of MD ECHS.



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