

SCHEMES PROVIDED BY THE STATE GOVERNMENT

1. The details of benefits/concessions provided by the State Government to the Ex-Servicemen, widows and their dependents are as under:-

(a) Cash Grant, Cash in lieu of Land and Annuity are provided to the Gallantry and Distinguished Service Award winners belonging to the State shown at **APPENDIX**.

(b) Special Package of concessions/ facilities are provided to dependents of defence personnel who are killed/disabled in action as under :-

(i) Rs. 10.00 lakhs to the Next of Kin of deceased, death occurring in enemy action in international war or border skirmishes and action against militants, terrorists, extremists, insurgency etc.

(ii) Rs. 3.00 lakhs to the disabled, disability occurring during enemy action in international war or border skirmishes and action against militants, terrorists, extremists, insurgents etc.

(iii) Rs. 8.00 lakhs to the Next of Kin of the deceased, death occurring due to accidents in the course of performance of duties which is attributable to military service

(iv) Rs. 2.00 lakhs to permanently disabled, disability occurring due to accidents in the course of performance of duties which is attributable to military service.

(v) Rs. 8.00 lakhs to the Next of Kin of the deceased, death occurring in the course of performance of duties which is attributable to acts of violence by terrorists, anti-social elements etc.

(vi) Rs. 2.00 lakhs to the disabled, disability occurring in the course of performance of duty which is attributable to acts of violence by terrorists, anti-social elements etc.

(vii) Job to one eligible family member of the deceased or permanently disabled as per education qualification.

(viii) Free education upto graduation level to the children of the personnel killed/permanently disabled.

2. **Monetary Incentives:**

(a) The Government provides Rs. 2,00,000/- as an incentive to Goan Youth who are commissioned in Armed Forces through Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) as Permanent Commissioned Officer from National Defence Academy (NDA), Indian Military Academy (IMA), Naval Academy or Air Force Academy.

(b) The Government provides Rs. 1,00,000/- as incentive to Goan youth who are commissioned in Armed Forces through UPSC as Short Service Commissioned Officer from Officers Training Academy, Naval Academy or Air Force Academy.

(c) The Government provides Rs. 50,000/- as an incentive to Goan youth who join Indian Army. Indian Navy or Indian Air Force in any rank below Commissioned Officer.

3. Rs. 8000/- is provided to World War-II Veterans and their widows who are not in receipt of any type of pension for life.

4. Rs. 5000/- per month is provided to War Widows whose husband were killed in action prior to Jan. 2000.

5. Ex-Servicemen/Widows of Ex-Servicemen are exempted from the payment of House Tax.

6. The Govt. has exempted all fees payable in respect of Registration of documents executed by or on behalf of Ex-Servicemen and their widows, provided that such documents are executed for their personnel benefits and not for any commercial/ business/real estate activities.

7. The Govt. has exempted the payment of Stamp Duty to the Ex-Servicemen and widows of Ex-Servicemen for their personal benefits and not for instrumental, commercial, business for real estate activities.

8. State Govt. has provided 2% reservation for Ex-Servicemen in Group 'C' and Group 'D' category posts.
9. 1% seats are reserved for children of Ex-Servicemen in Medical, Dental, Engineering, B. Pharm, B. Arch, Nursing Colleges, B Ed. and ITI/Polytechnic Institutes.
10. Exemption from payment of application/examination fees for Ex-Servicemen and family members of those killed/disabled in action for recruitment in State Civil Service.
11. A Special Card known as 'Green Card' is provided to the Next of Kin of all Martyrs. This entitles them to 'Priority' treatment in all Govt. Departments/Offices in their administrative work.
12. 3% reserved quota is available for Fair Price Shop to Ex-Servicemen.
13. 2% reserved quota is available for allotment of Plot/flat to Ex-Servicemen and their families by the Goa Housing Board.
14. The Government has provided free travel concession to WW-II Veterans and widows for travel in KTCL buses within the State.
15. Gallantry/Distinguished Service Award Winners of the Armed Forces are treated on par with Government officials on official duty during their stay in Goa Sadan, New Delhi and Goa Bhavan, Mumbai.
16. The Government has constituted Grievances Redressal Committee under respective Collectors to redress the grievances of Serving Personnel and Ex-Servicemen.
17. Members of the Armed Forces are protected under the Goa Building (Lease, Rent & Eviction) Control (Amendment) Bill, 2008.

SCHEMES PROVIDED THROUGH SPECIAL FUND

1. The details of financial assistance provided by the Department of Sainik Welfare from the Special Fund to the Ex-Servicemen, widows and their dependents are as under :-

(a) Financial assistance of Rs.3,000/- is provided to Ex-Servicemen and Rs. 5,000/- is provided to the widows of Ex-Servicemen who are not in receipt of any type of pension and in indigent circumstances.

(b) Rs. 30000/- is provided as Stri Dhan (daughter's marriage grant) to Ex-Servicemen and Rs. 50000/- to the widows of Ex-Servicemen.

(c) Rs. 10000/- is provided to the Spouse / dependent of the Ex-Servicemen as Lump sum grant on death of Ex-Servicemen.

(d) One time grant of Rs. 5000/- on attaining the age of 60 years, Rs. 10,000/- on attaining the age of 75 years and Rs. 25,000/- on attaining the age of 90 years is provided to Ex-Servicemen (PBOR).

(e) Rs. 2500/- p.m. is provided as Divyang Grant to wards of Ex-Servicemen/Widows of Ex-Servicemen.

(f) Rs. 5,000/- or actual expenses can be reimbursed by the Ex-Servicemen, Widows/Spouse for Travel/ Incidental Expenses moving from local hospital to out station hospital.

(g) Rs. 3000/- p.m. is provided as Medical Distress Grant for Cancer, TB, Leprosy patients and Kidney ailment.

(h) Reimbursement of expenses in full or partial amount is provided on purchase of medical aids like, Spectacles, Hearing Aids, Hernia belt, Collar for spondylitis, Cataract lenses to Non pensioner Ex-Servicemen / widows subject to medical aids prescribed by Government or Service hospital.

- (i) Rs. 25000/- or actual expense is provided to non pensioner Ex-Servicemen/widows for general diseases/purchase of medicines prescribed by Government/Service hospitals as per income criteria.
- (j) Scholarship awards/incentives are provided to the wards of Ex-Servicemen/Widows, as per the Scheme.
- (k) Special scholarship of Rs. 500/- and Rs. 1000/- per month is provided to the wards of Ex-Servicemen/widows obtaining 80% and 90% and above marks respectively in classes X for a period of two year.
- (l) Rs. 5000/- is provided to the Wards of Ex-Servicemen/Widows representing Goa State in National/ International Sports Tournaments.
- (m) Rs. 2000/- is provided as Spot payment for immediate relief to the needy/destitute Ex-Servicemen/widows.
- (n) Rs. 15000/- as “War Jagir Allowance” is provided to parents of wards, who join any of the three Defence Services in any rank.
- (o) Rs. 20,000/- is provided to Ex-Servicemen/ widows as House Repair Grant in deserving cases as per income criteria.
- (p) To encourage Govt./Public Sector servants and Goans, an amount of Rs. 9000/- is provided for any candidate who joins as Officer and Rs. 5000/- who joins as Personnel Below Officer Rank in Territorial Army.
- (q) Rs. 10,000/- is reimbursed to Ex-Servicemen/widows as a special case on production of legal bill and whose annual income from all sources is less than Rs. 50,000 per annum.
- (r) Rs. 3000/- or 50% of the cost of sewing machine whichever is less is provided to the widow or unmarried daughter of Ex-Servicemen/widows above 30 years of age for purchase of sewing machine.

(s) Rs 2000/- p.m. is provided to the Ex-Servicemen who are disabled after retirement/release from Service and having minimum 40% permanent disability for life.

(t) Rs. 2500/- p.m. is provided to the Orphaned wards of Ex-Servicemen/ widows till they attain the age of 25 years.

(u) Rs. 20000/- or actual fees of the courses such as B.Ed, Shorthand, Computer related courses, heavy vehicle driving etc. whichever is less to reimbursed for Ex-Servicemen/dependents.

2. **Key Projects which are underway and status of same.**

(a) **Construction of Sainik Aramgarh (Rest House) at Bambolim:-**
Work order issued by Goa State Infrastructure Development Corporation (GSIDC) on 23/07/2019. The construction work is in progress and is likely to be completed by Sept. 2022.

3. **Key Targets/Goals proposed to be achieved within 1 year, 2 years and 3 years time frame**

(a) **1 year :**

(i) Progress of construction of Sainik Rest House.

(ii) Adopt a village in North Goa District.

(iii) Commence work on Veteran Home (Old Aged Home for Defence Veterans).

(iv) Establishment of Generic Medicine Pharmacy at both the District Hospitals.

(v) Involve more Veterans for Swatchcha Bharat Abhiyan.

(vi) Nominate Veterans as Jal Rakshak as part of Jal Shakti Abhiyan.

(b) **2 years :-**

- (i) Completion of Sainik Rest House
- (ii) Progress of Construction of Veteran Home
- (iii) Adoption of Village in South Goa District
- (iv) Provide more benefits/facilities to Ex-Servicemen and widows in terms of concessions and financial assistance

(c) **3 years :-**

- (i) Completion of Veteran Home
- (ii) Involve more number of Veterans and their Dependents as Jal Rakshak as part of Jal Shakti Abhiyan
- (iii) Conduct awareness Campaign in co-ordination with Army/Navy/Air Force Recruiting Authorities to encourage youths to join Armed Forces.
- (iv) Establishment of Generic Medicine Pharmacy at Primary Health Centers all over the State.

4. **Challenges /issues**

(a) **Establishing an Ex-Servicemen Cell at South Goa District:-**

There is a requirement of establishing an Ex-Servicemen Cell at South Goa District. Veterans and widows have to travel all the way to Panaji to get their work done. The Cell is proposed to be established with the existing strength of the Department. A suitable Office space is required at Margao to establish the Cell.

(b) **More space at the Office of the Department of Sainik Welfare:-**

The Office of the Department of Sainik Welfare is housed on the ground floor of Collectorate Building, Panaji. There are constraints of space for free movement of staff and visitors. More space is required for ease of movement and waiting area for Veterans/widows and visitors.

APPENDIX

GALLANTRY/NON-GALLANTRY/DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS

Sl. No.	Award	Cash Grant	Cash in lieu of land	Total	Annuity
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	PVC	10,000,00/-	15,000,00/-	25,000,00/-	75,000/-
2	AC	10,000,00/-	15,000,00/-	25,000,00/-	70,000/-
3	MVC	5,000,00/-	10,000,00/-	15,000,00/-	60,000/-
4	KC	5,000,00/-	10,000,00/-	15,000,00/-	55,000/-
5	VrC	4,000,00/-	6,000,00/-	10,000,00/-	40,000/-
6	SC	3,000,00/-	7,000,00/-	10,000,00/-	35,000/-
7	SYSM	20,000/-	1,10,000/-	1,30,000/-	4,000/-
8	UYSM	20,000/-	1,00,000/-	1,20,000/-	3,500/-
9	YSM	5,000/-	35,000/-	40,000/-	3,000/-
10	SM/NM/VM (Distinguished)	4,000/-	26,000/-	30,000/-	2,500/-
11	MD	3,000/-	15,000/-	18,000/-	1,500/-
12	PVSM	45,000/-	1,55,000/-	2,00,000/-	6000/-
13	AVSM	15,000/-	1,00,000/-	1,15,000/-	5,000/-
14	VSM	10,000/-	35,000/-	45,000/-	3000/-
15	SM/NM/VM (Gallantry)	1,50,000/-	-----	1,50,000/-	7,000/-

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