Sub: Clarifications regarding giving life membership to physically handicapped/mentally retarded children and dependent parents of the retired/deceased employees.

Administrative Officer-III, Medical Division, BARC may please refer to his memo No. BARCH/9(30)/Vol V/982 dated February 1, 2000 on the above subject.

2 In terms of Rule 4 l(c), mentally retarded/physically handicapped children are eligible for the CHSS facility till such time they are dependent on the prime beneficiary if the disability exceeds 40%. The question whether the CHSS coverage should be extended to the child after the death of the prime beneficiary especially in a situation where the child is getting income beyond the prescribed limit by way of family pension has been considered in this Department. The fact that the child concerned gets family pension above the prescribed income limit will not render him ineligible for the CHSS facility as it does not alter the position of his continued physical dependence and need for medical support. It has, therefore, been decided that CHSS facility may be extended to him with due regard to the extent of disability as examined and certified by the medical authorities concerned. The examinations are to be conducted every two years so as to determine the necessity of continued medical support. Cases of this nature may be examined on an individual basis and the decision given should not be quoted as a precedence.

3 As regards life long registration in respect of retired employees on payment of 10 years contribution, it has been decided that permanent card need be issued only to self and spouse and in a situation where others such as children and parents are eligible for CHSS coverage their registration can be renewed on a year to year basis which would provide an opportunity to ensure that individuals concerned are within the eligibility parameters.

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