Social Aid Regulations 1984

GN 48/1984

Regulations made by the Minister under section 11 of the Social Aid Act 1983

1. These regulations may be cited as the Social Aid Regulations 1984.

2. In these regulations-

   "Act" means the Social Aid Act;

   “application” means an application for social aid under section 3 of the Act;

   "approved form" means a form approved by the Minister;

   "income" means income derived from any source;

   "institution" means any charitable institution to which a grant is made in accordance with these regulations;

   "premises" -

   (a) means any place where the Social Security Officer has reason to believe that a person-

       (i) is or has been employed;

       (ii) derives or has derived any income; and

   (b) includes a dwelling house;

   "Social Security Officer" means a public officer designated as such by the Minister;

   "tertiary education institution" —

   (a) has the same meaning as in the Tertiary Education Commission Act;

   (b) includes a private university, or any other institution, offering post-secondary education in Mauritius which is registered and accredited with the Tertiary Education Commission under the Tertiary Education Commission Act.
3. (1) No social aid shall be granted to a person unless he is a citizen of Mauritius residing in Mauritius.

(2) No social aid shall be paid to a claimant who is--
   (a) an in-patient of a hospital and the cost of whose maintenance either in part or in full is met from Government funds;
   (b) a resident of an institution which is in receipt of a grant from the Government;
   (c) in a reform institution or detained in lawful custody;
   (d) absent from Mauritius.

4. (1) Every application shall be submitted to the Permanent Secretary for determination.

(2) The Permanent Secretary shall, where required, before determining an application, seek the advice of any advisory committee established under section 10(c) of the Act.

(3) An application shall be made on an approved form at such place and times and in such manner as the Permanent Secretary may determine.

(4) Where the Permanent Secretary is satisfied that there is an immediate need for payment, he may direct that social aid be paid to a person pending the determination of his application.

(5) The determination of the Permanent Secretary under paragraph (1) shall be communicated to the applicant in writing.

(6) Where the Permanent Secretary is satisfied that there has been-
   (a) material change in the circumstances of the applicant; or
   (b) a mistake relating to a material fact,
he shall amend the decision, and any amended decision, together with the reason, shall be communicated in writing to the applicant.

Amended by [GN No. 133 of 1985]

5. The Permanent Secretary shall specify the period for which social aid shall be allowed.

6. (1) Social aid shall not be paid in respect of any month before the date on which the application is received by the Permanent Secretary.

(2) Except where good cause is shown to the satisfaction of the Permanent Secretary, no social aid shall be paid after the lapse of 3 months from the date on which it became due.

Amended by [GN No. 133 of 1985]

7. The Permanent Secretary shall issue to each person whose application has been allowed a social aid card which-

(a) shall remain the property of the Government; and
(b) shall, on demand, be produced or surrendered to, the Permanent Secretary.

Amended by [GN No. 133 of 1985]

8. (1) Where social aid is payable, the Permanent Secretary shall specify-

(a) the place at which;
(b) the time and the day of the month on which; and
(c) the manner in which, payment shall be made.

(2) Subject to regulation 4(4), no social aid shall be paid to an applicant other than in accordance with paragraph (1).

(3) Social aid shall be paid to an applicant on production to the paying officer of the social aid card issued to him under regulation 7.
(4) Where an applicant is unable to receive payment of social aid in person, the social aid may be paid to any person not below the age of 18 whom the paying officer is satisfied has been duly authorised by the applicant to receive the payment and on production by that person of the social aid card issued to the applicant.

Amended by [GN No. 133 of 1985]

9. Where a determination of the Permanent Secretary is amended under regulation 4(6) and, by reason of that amendment, a person has received an amount of money to which he is not entitled, the Permanent Secretary shall, unless he is satisfied that the person acted in good faith in receiving that amount of money, require repayment of that amount of money and may recover it in such manner as he thinks fit from any benefit or allowance payable to that person under the National Pensions Act, the Unemployment Hardship Relief Act or the Family Allowance Act.

10. (1) For the purposes of section 3(4)(b) of the Act the resources of a claimant shall, subject to paragraph (2), consist of-
   
   (a) 20 per cent of the total monthly income of all his children, after deduction of a sum of 100 rupees from that income; and
   
   (b) 50 per cent of his total monthly income and that of his spouse.

   (2) Where the children of a claimant do not derive any monthly income or derive a monthly income which is less than 100 rupees, the resources of the claimant shall consist of 50 per cent of his total income and that of his wife, after deduction of a sum of 100 rupees or such amount as represents the difference between 100 rupees and the income of those children.

11. (1) A Social Security Officer may enter at all reasonable times any premises to make such examination and enquiry as he thinks fit in order to ascertain whether-

   (a) any social aid ought to be paid to an applicant;
   
   (b) any provision of the Act and of these regulations has been contravened.

   (2) Any person-

   (a) who is the occupier of any premises;
(b) whom the Social Security Officer has reasonable cause to believe is or has been employing a claimant, his spouse or child;

(c) from whom the Social Security Officer has reasonable cause to believe the claimant, his spouse or child is deriving any income;

(d) who is the employee or agent of a person specified in sub-paragraphs (a) to (c), shall give such information or produce such documents for inspection as the Social Security Officer may reasonably require for the purpose of examination or inquiry under paragraph (1).

Amended by [GN No. 133 of 1985]

12. Any person who-

   (a) wilfully obstructs a Social Security Officer in the exercise of his functions under these regulations; or

   (b) without sufficient cause or justification, refuses to answer any question or give any information or produce any document when required to do so under regulation 11, shall commit an offence.

13. No grant or contribution shall be made by the Permanent Secretary to an institution undertaking the free board and lodging of persons unable to maintain themselves unless the following conditions are complied with-

   (a) the building and site of the institution and its accommodation have previously been approved by the Permanent Secretary, on the report of the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Health;

   (b) such books and accounts as the Permanent Secretary may direct are kept by the Manager of the Institution;

   (c) diet sheets approved by the Permanent Secretary are prepared by the institution and applied to the satisfaction of the Permanent Secretary.
14. (1) An orphan in need of residential care shall be placed in an institution for children or entrusted to a foster parent and shall remain under the guardianship of the Permanent Secretary until the child has reached the age of 18.

(2) Every orphan under paragraph (1) shall, regard being had to his mental and physical development, receive an appropriate full time education.

15. (1) For the purposes of section 3(6) of the Act, the Minister may, subject to such conditions as he thinks fit to impose, grant to -

(a) an applicant the social aid specified in Part I of the First Schedule;

(b) an applicant who -
   (i) is in receipt of the basic retirement pension widow's basic pension or invalid's basic pension under the National Pensions Act or the surviving partner's allowance under paragraph (r);
   (ii) lives alone and pays a rent; and
   (iii) is temporarily or permanently incapable of earning adequately his livelihood and has insufficient means to support himself,

the social aid specified in Part II of the First Schedule;

(c) an applicant, the spouse of an applicant or any dependent of an applicant, as the case may be, where the applicant -
   (i) is in receipt of any benefit under the National Pensions Act; and
   (ii) is temporarily or permanently incapable of earning adequately his livelihood and has insufficient means to support himself and his dependents,

the social aid specified in Part III of the First Schedule;
(d) an applicant who is in receipt of hardship relief under the Unemployment Hardship Relief Act, the social aid specified in item I of Part III of the First Schedule in respect of a child;

(e) an applicant who has been entrusted with the care of an orphan or abandoned child or both and who -
   (i) is not in receipt of a guardian's allowance under the National Pensions Act, the social aid specified in Part IV of the First Schedule;
   (ii) is in receipt of a guardian's allowance under the National Pensions Act, the social aid specified in items 2 and 3 of Part IV of the First Schedule;

(f) Any parent -
   (i) who has one child under 18 years of age who has-
      (A) Diabetes Mellitus type 1;
      (B) Complicated Systemic Lupus Erythematosus (SLE);
      (C) Cancer of any type;
      (D) Cerebral palsy;
      (E) a severe mental, physical or sensory disability (to include diseases such as Autism, Total Blindness, Severe Deafness, Grand Mal Epilepsy with frequent fits, Severe Bronchial Asthma) requiring frequent hospital admissions;
      (F) undergone amputation; or-
      (G) Multiple disabilities;

and requires constant care and attention as certified by an approved medical practitioner, the social aid specified in Part V of the First
Schedule, where the income of the parent or aggregate income of the parents does not exceed 250,000 rupees annually;

(ii) who has one child under 18 years of age who suffers from -

(A) Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Acquired Immuno Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS);

(B) is severely handicapped, mentally or physically, or has multiple congenital or traumatics deformities or;

and requires constant care and attention as certified by an approved medical practitioner, the social aid specified in Part V of the First Schedule, where the income of the parent or the aggregate income of the parents does not exceed 350,000 rupees annually;

(C) muscular Dystrophy

Amended by [GN No. 106 of 2007]; [GN No. 31 of 2009]; [GN No. 29 of 2015]

(iii) who has more than one child under 18 years of age who suffers from any of the disabling diseases specified in subparagraphs (i) and (ii) and requires constant care and attention as specified by an approved medical practitioner, the social aid specified in Part V of the First Schedule, where the income of the parent or the aggregate income of the parents does not exceed the amount specified in subparagraph (i) or (ii) whichever is higher, increased by an amount of 50,000 rupees for every additional handicapped child.

Amended by [GN No. 5 of 2000]; [GN No. 194 of 2000]; [GN No. 74 of 2005]; [GN No. 24 of 2006]; [GN No. 31 of 2007]

(g) an applicant who is in receipt of basic retirement pension under the National Pensions Act and has insufficient means to support himself or his dependents, the social aid specified in Part VI of the First Schedule;
(h) an applicant-

(i) where the applicant is the spouse of the head of an household who has been admitted for treatment in a Government hospital; and

Amended by [GN No. 176 of 2009]

(ii) who is temporarily or permanently incapable of earning adequately his livelihood and has insufficient means to support himself and his dependents, the social aid specified in Part VI of the First Schedule.

(i) a person of 100 years of age or over, the social aid specified in part VII of the First Schedule.

(j) an applicant—

(i) who is in receipt of social aid under section 3(1) or (1A) of the Act and under paragraph (b), (e), (h), (o) or (p);

(ii) who is in receipt of unemployment hardship relief under the Unemployment Hardship Relief Act 1983; or

(iii) who, as at 30 June 2006, was in receipt of a basic pension under the National Pensions Act and who would have been eligible to receive social aid under this Act if he were not in receipt of the basic pension, and was in receipt of a social aid under Part VIII of the First Schedule; and

(iv) whose average monthly electricity consumption does not exceed 75 KWh, whose name appears on an updated income support list of the Central Electricity Board and who is not in receipt of a social aid under item 1 Part VIII of the First Schedule;

(v) who, on or after 01 July 2006; is in receipt of a basic pension under the National Pensions Act but who would have been eligible to receive social aid under this Act if he were not in receipt of the basic pension,
(vi) who is in receipt of a surviving partner’s allowance under paragraph (r), and would have been eligible to receive social aid under section 3(1A) of the Act or paragraph (o) if she were not in receipt of the surviving partner’s allowance;

**Amended by [GN No. 238 of 2006]; [GN No. 176 of 2009]**

(k) an applicant the social aid specified in Part IX to meet expenses in case of multiple births during one confinement, subject to the aggregate income of the spouses not exceeding Rs. 150,000 per year.

(l) an applicant, or the spouse of the applicant, as the case may be —

(i) who is in receipt of the basic retirement pension payable under the National Pensions Act; and

(ii) whose monthly household income or aggregate monthly household income does not exceed 30,000 rupees,

the social aid under item 1 of Part X of the First Schedule;

**Amended by [GN No. 25 of 2006]; [GN No. 186 of 2021]**

(m) an applicant -

(i) whose monthly income or the aggregate monthly income of the spouses, as the case may be, does not exceed 14,500 rupees, the social aid specified in paragraphs (1)(a), (b), (c) or (d) of Part III of the First Schedule;

(ii) whose monthly income or the aggregate monthly income of the spouses, as the case may be, is between 14,501 and 20,000 rupees, per cent of the social aid specified in item (1)(a), (b), (c) or (d) of Part III of the First Schedule.

**Amended by [GN No. 111 of 2007]; [GN No. 108 of 2011]**
(n) an applicant who is in receipt of -

(i) social aid under section 3(1) of the Act or under paragraph (e), (f), (g) or (h); or

(ii) unemployment hardship relief under the Unemployment Hardship Relief Act, the social aid specified in Part XI of the First Schedule.

(o) an applicant who –

(i) (A) has been abandoned by her spouse;

(B) is a single mother; or

(C) is the spouse of a head of a household who has been remanded to jail or is serving a term of imprisonment;

(ii) is temporarily or permanently incapable of earning adequately her livelihood and has insufficient means to support herself and her dependants;

(iii) has one or more children between the ages of 3 months and 7 years;

(iv) is an insured person under section 13 of the National Pensions Act or is an employee under the National Savings Fund Act or would be an insured person or an employee under these Acts had she attained the age of 18 years; and

(v) has total monthly resources not exceeding 7,500 rupees -

(A) the amount of social aid specified in Part III of the First Schedule to the Act or the amount by which her monthly resources fall short of 7,500 rupees, whichever is the lesser; and
(B) the amount of social aid specified in Part XII of the First Schedule.

Amended by [GN No. 176 of 2009]

(p) notwithstanding section 3(5)(b) of the Act, an applicant who is in receipt of—

(i) a basic pension under the National Pensions Act and would have been eligible to receive social aid under the Act, if the applicant were not in receipt of the basic pension;

(ii) a surviving partner’s allowance under subparagraph (r), and would have been eligible to receive social aid under section 3(1A) of the Act or subparagraph (o) if she were not in receipt of the surviving partner’s allowance;

(iii) a surviving spouse allowance under subparagraph (v), and would have been eligible to receive social aid under section 3(1A) of the Act or subparagraph (o) if she were not in receipt of the surviving spouse allowance,

(q) notwithstanding section 3(5)(b) of the Act, an applicant, the spouse of an applicant or any dependant of an applicant, as the case may be, who —

(i) is in receipt of an invalid's basic pension or a basic retirement pension under the National Pensions Act, and who would have been eligible to social aid under the Act, if he were not in receipt of the invalid's basic pension or basic retirement pension;

(ii) is bedridden and suffers from incontinence as certified by an approved medical practitioner,

the social aid specified in Part XIV of the First Schedule;

(r) an applicant who is a female surviving partner, a surviving partner’s allowance comprising of an amount equivalent to the rate of the widow’s basic pension, together with child allowance, for not more than 3 children,
payable under the National Pensions Act, provided the applicant —

(i) started living with her partner in a union as wife at any time between 13 November 1987 and 22 December 1990, and —

(A) may have contracted a religious marriage, without being civilly married, from 1 January 1982 to 13 November 1987, or after 21 December 1990; and

(B) could not contract a religious marriage without being civilly married between 13 November 1987 and 22 December 1990;

(ii) has not contracted any civil or religious marriage after the death of her partner referred to in paragraph (i);

(iii) remained a partner in the union up to the time she became a surviving partner;

(iv) is under the age of 60; and

(v) is not in receipt of—

(A) social aid under section 3(1 A) of the Act or paragraph (o); or

(B) an invalid’s basic pension, a widow’s basic pension or a survivor’s pension under the National Pensions Act.

(s) an applicant, the social aid specified in item 7(e) of Part I of the First Schedule for a period not exceeding 6 months, where the dwelling house of the applicant is damaged or destroyed by fire to such an extent that the dwelling house has become uninhabitable, provided that —

(i) the applicant has moved to a rented dwelling house;
(ii) an application for the social aid is made not later than 30 days from the date the dwelling house was damaged or destroyed; and

(iii) proof of tenancy and rent payable in respect of the rented dwelling house is produced;

(t) an applicant or his dependants, as the case may be, the social aid under item 7 of Part VI and item 2 or 3 of Part X, as the case may be, of the First Schedule where the monthly household income or the aggregate monthly household income of the applicant does not exceed 30,000 rupees and the applicant is in receipt of—

(i) social aid pursuant to section 3(1) or (1A) of the Act or under subparagraph (h), (o), (p) or (r);

(ii) a basic pension under Part II or a survivor's pension under Part V, respectively, of the National Pensions Act; or

(iii) hardship relief under the Unemployment Hardship Relief Act;

(u) the social aid under item 4(2) of Part IV and item 2 or 3 of Part X, as the case may be, of the First schedule to —

(i) an applicant who is qualified to receive an inmate's allowance under the National Pensions Act or in respect of whom an inmate allowance is provided under the Act;

(ii) an abandoned child in respect of whom a child's allowance is granted under paragraph (e), where an application is made by the person entrusted with the care of the abandoned child and subject to the monthly household income or the aggregate monthly household income of the applicant not exceeding 30,000 rupees;

(iii) a child in respect of whom a child's allowance is paid under the National Pensions Act, where an application is made by the person who is qualified to receive the child's allowance and subject to the monthly household income or the aggregate
monthly household income of the applicant not exceeding 30,000 rupees;

(iv) an orphan who is entitled to an orphan's pension under the National Pensions Act or in respect of whom an orphan's allowance is granted under subparagraph (e), where an application is made by the person entrusted with the care of the orphan and subject to the monthly household income or the aggregate monthly household income of the applicant not exceeding 30,000 rupees.

(v) notwithstanding regulation 3, an allowance, in accordance with Part XV of the First Schedule, to an ex-serviceman and the widow of an ex-serviceman who was entitled to a financial assistance under the repealed Mauritius Ex-Services Trust Fund Act.

Amended by [GN No. 184 of 2022]

(v) an applicant who is, pursuant to section 4A (1) and (2) of the National Pensions Act, one of the surviving female spouses of a deceased person, a surviving spouse allowance, together with child allowance, for not more than 3 children, payable under the National Pensions Act, provided that –

(i) the religious marriage is, in accordance with the Civil Status (Muslim Family Council) Regulations 2005, registered with the Muslim Family Council;

(ii) the applicant has not contracted any civil or religious marriage after the death of her spouse;

(iii) is under the age of 60; and

(iv) is not in receipt of –

(A) social aid under section 3(1A) of the Act or subparagraph (o) or (r); or

(B) an invalid's basic pension, a widow's basic pension or a survivor's pension under the National Pensions Act.
(2) In this regulation —

"household", insofar as it relates to subparagraphs (1), (t) and (u), means the family unit of a claimant, made up of—

(a) the claimant;
(b) the spouse of the claimant;
(c) the unmarried child of any age, including adopted and step child of the claimant; and
(d) any ascendant of the claimant or his spouse,

who live together with the claimant applicant under a common roof and make common provision for food and other needs for living;

"household income" —

(a) means income derived by a household from any source; but
(b) insofar as it relates to subparagraphs (1), (t), (u) and (v), does not include —

(i) any rent, travelling, meal or uniform allowance or any end of year bonus earned under a contract of employment; and
(ii) any carer's allowance paid under the National Pensions Act.


16. [Spent]

17. (1) An application for surviving partner’s allowance under regulation 15(1)(r) shall be —

(a) made to the Permanent Secretary in the form set out in the Second
Schedule;
(b) accompanied by all the supporting documents specified in the form;
(c) supported by an affidavit sworn or solemnly affirmed by 2 witnesses in the form set out in the Third Schedule and —

(i) one of the 2 witnesses shall be a public officer not below the level of Office Management Assistant, a police officer not below the rank of Inspector or a member of a recognised professional body; and
(ii) such affidavit shall be exempt from the payment of any duty, charge or fee.

(2) (a) Any person who became a surviving partner prior to the coming into operation of these regulations shall make an application for a surviving partner’s allowance by 31 December 2014.

(b) Any person who becomes a surviving partner on or after the coming into operation of these regulations shall make an application for surviving partner’s allowance within 6 months of the date on which she becomes a surviving partner.

(c) Notwithstanding regulation 6(2), where the Permanent Secretary is satisfied that, due to illness or other reasonable cause, a person has not been able to make an application within the delay specified in subparagraph (a) or (b), the Permanent Secretary may, on such terms and conditions as he may determine, consider the application

Amended by [GN No. 190 of 2014]; [GN No. 186 of 2021]

18. (1) An application for a surviving spouse allowance under regulation 15(v) shall be –

(a) made to the Permanent Secretary in such form as he may approve;
(b) accompanied by a certificate from the Muslim Family Council certifying that the religious marriage of the surviving spouse has, pursuant to the Civil Status (Muslim Family Council) Regulations 2005, been registered;
(c) made not later than 3 months after the date on which her religious marriage has been registered; and

(d) accompanied by such other documents as the Permanent Secretary may, in the circumstances, require.

(2) Where the Permanent Secretary grants an application under paragraph (1), he shall, where the applicant is one of the surviving female spouses of a deceased person, pay to her a surviving spouse allowance, the amount of which shall, depending on the number of surviving female spouses, be divided in equal proportion to the rate of the widow’s basic pension.

Added by [Act No. 15 of 2022]
FIRST SCHEDULE – Amended by [GN No. 190 of 2014]

[regulation 15(1)]

PART I

1. Allowance payable to a fisherman on a day determined by the Meteorological Services as being a bad weather day, except a Public Holiday or a day on which there prevails a cyclone warning of at least Class III. Rs 575 per day

2. Allowance to a cyclone refugee per night Rs 250 per head

3. Allowance to a flood victim (subject to a maximum of 3 days) Rs 250 per day per member of the household

4. Grant to a discharged prisoner Rs 402

5. Gift to a centenarian Rs 26,203

6. Allowance to a fire victims for the to head of purchase of foodstuffs household Rs 2,686

7. Allowance to fire victim in respect of— Rs 2,686 per member of the household
   (a) clothing
   (b) cooking utensils Rs 2,686 per member of the household
   (c) furniture Rs 2,686 per house-hold of one or 2 persons
   (d) Resettlement allowance Rs 5,264 per household
   (e) rental allowance Rs 6,000 or the actual amount payable, whichever is lesser per month

Amended by [GN No. 24 of 2006]; [GN No. 25 of 2006]; [GN No. 237 of 2006]; [Reprint No. 3 of 2006]; [GN No. 19 of 2008]; [GN No. 33 of 2008]; [GN No. 273 of 2008]; [GN No. 176 of
PART II

Amount per month Rs

Allowance 2,286


PART III

Amount per month

1. Examination fee in respect of a child for — Rs
   (a) Cambridge School Certificate
   (b) Higher School Certificate
   (c) General Certificate of Education, London (Ordinary and Advanced)
   (d) General Certificate of Education, Cambridge (Ordinary and Advanced)
   (e) examinations leading to certificates and diplomas, or any other technical and vocational qualification awarded by the Mauritius Institute of Training and Development

2. Deleted by [GN No. 186 of 2021]

3. Funeral grant to the person who has borne the funeral expenses, in the event of the death of the applicant or any of his dependants 12,360

## PART IV

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(f) aged not less than 20 and not more than 23 who is pursuing a full-time course at a tertiary education institution

4. (1) Allowance equivalent to full examination fees in respect of an abandoned child or orphan, as the case may be, for —

(a) Cambridge School Certificate
(b) Cambridge Higher School Certificate
(c) Cambridge General certificate of Education at Ordinary and Advanced levels
(d) London General Certificate of Education at Ordinary and Advanced levels
(e) examinations leading to certificates and diplomas, or any other technical and vocational qualification awarded by the Mauritius Institute of Training and Development

(2) Allowance in lieu of spectacles prescribed by an ophthalmologist registered under the Medical Council Act 5,000 rupees or the actual amount spent, whichever is lesser

(3) Funeral grant in the event of the death of an abandoned child or orphan, as the case may be 12,360

### PART V

**Amount per month Rs**

1. Child’s allowance for every child —
   - (a) under the age of 3  
   - (b) aged not less than 3 and under the age of 10  
   - (c) aged not less than 10 and under the age of 15  
   - (d) aged 15 or more but under 18 and who is not in receipt of an invalid's basic pension under the National Pensions Act

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2. Compassionate Allowance up to a maximum of 1,087

3. Carer's Allowance, in lieu of Child's Allowance and Compassionate Allowance, for a child between the ages of 6 months and 18 years, where the child suffers from a permanent disability of at least 60%, is in need of constant care and attention as certified by a medical board and who is not in receipt of invalid's basic pension under the National Pensions Act

4. Additional allowance in respect of a child who is in receipt of social aid under item 1 or 3 and who –
   - (a) suffers from a severe disability as certified by an approved medical practitioner  
   - (b) is between the ages 2 and 18 and suffers from incontinence as certified by an approved medical practitioner  
   - (c) is between the ages 6 months and 18 years and is bedridden as certified by an approved medical practitioner

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PART VI

1. Applicant’s allowance ... ... ... 1,832
2. Spouse’s allowance (limited to one spouse) ... 1,832
3. Child’s allowance for every child —
   (a) under the age of 3 713
   (b) aged not less than 3 and under the age of 10 713
   (c) aged not less than 10 and under the age of 15 839
   (d) who is receiving full-time education, aged not less than 15 and until
       the end of the school year in which the child attains the age of 20 1,046
   (e) aged not less than 15 and not more than 20 and who is unable to
       earn a living through physical or mental disability and is not in receipt of
       a benefit under the National Pensions Act 1,832
   (f) aged not less than 20 and not more than 23 who is pursuing a full
       time course at a tertiary education institution 1,046
4. Compassionate allowance where the applicant or any of his dependants
   satisfies the Minister that he is suffering from any serious illness certified
   by an approved medical practitioner 1,087
5. Rent allowance ... 50% of the rent paid by the claimant up to a
   maximum of 1,345
6. Examination fees in respect of a child for—
   (a) Cambridge School Certificate
   (b) Higher School Certificate
   (c) General Certificate of Education, London (Ordinary and
       Advanced)
   (d) General Certificate of Education, Cambridge (Ordinary and
       Advanced)
   (da) technical and vocational training courses leading to qualifications
       awarded by MITD – Added by [GN No. 96 of 2022]
   (e) examinations leading to certificates and diplomas, or any other
       technical and vocational qualification awarded by the Mauritius
       Institute of Training and Development.
7. Allowance in lieu of spectacles prescribed by an ophthalmologist registered under the Medical Council Act
   5,000 rupees or the actual amount spent, whichever is lesser

8. Assistance in kind where the Minister is satisfied that the applicant deserves it

9. Funeral grant to the person who has borne the funeral expenses, in the event of the death of the applicant or any of his dependants
   12,360


PART VII

Grant for the purchase of medicines

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PART VIII

1. Allowance for the purchase of rice and flour per member of household in respect of applicants under regulation 15(1)(j)(i), (ii) and (iii)

2. Allowance for the purchase of rice and flour for head household and his dependants in respect of applicants under regulation 15(j) (iv), (v) and (vi)

Amount per month Rs 353


PART IX

Allowance payable for a period not exceeding 24 months, Rs 3,272 for each child until the age of 24 months, over and above one live birth may be gives birth to more that one child during one confinement

PART X

1. One-off grant for the purchase of dentures prescribed by a dental surgeon registered under the Dental Council Act, subject to production of proof of purchase and payment 4,222 rupees or the actual amount spent, whichever is lesser

2. Allowance in lieu of wheelchair prescribed by a medical officer registered under the Medical Council Act 10,000 rupees or the actual amount spent, whichever is lesser

3. Allowance in lieu of hearing aid prescribed by an audiologist registered under the Allied Health Professionals Council Act 10,000 rupees per hearing aid or the actual amount spent, whichever is lesser

PART XI

1. Allowance to meet school related expenses in respect of a child who qualifies for child's allowance, orphan's allowance, abandoned child's allowance or carer's allowance, as the case may be, and is receiving full time education……………………………………………… Rs 810 per annum


PART XII

Young children's allowance for every child between the ages of 3 months and 7 years Rs 1,819 per month per child until the end of the year in which he attains 7 years

Amended by [GN No. 48 of 2012]; [GN No. 28 of 2015]; [GN No. 29 of 2015]; [GN No. 30 of 2015]; [GN No. 4 of 2020]; [GN No. 5 of 2020]; [GN No. 6 of 2020]; [GN No. 7 of 2020]; [GN No. 284 of 2020]; [GN No. 284 of 2022]

PART XIII

Child's allowance in respect of a child between the ages of 20 and 23 and receiving full-time tertiary education at a tertiary education institution Rs 1,046

Amount per month Rs
Amended by [GN No. 48 of 2012]; [GN No. 28 of 2015]; [GN No. 29 of 2015]; [GN No. 30 of 2015]; [GN No. 4 of 2020]; [GN No. 5 of 2020]; [GN No. 6 of 2020]; [GN No. 7 of 2020]; [GN No. 284 of 2020]; [GN No. 284 of 2022]

Part XIV

Amount per month Rs

Incontinence allowance 1,800


[Reprint No. 1 of 1996]; [Reprint No. 3 of 2006]

PART XV

(Rs)

Allowance to ex-serviceman aged –

(a) under 100 years 2000

(b) 100 years or above 2,500

Allowance to spouse or widow of ex-serviceman –
(a) under 100 years 500
(b) 100 years or above 1,500

Funeral grant to -
(a) ex-serviceman 5,500
(b) spouse or widow of ex-serviceman 3,000

Amended by [GN No. 184 of 2022]

SECOND SCHEDULE
[Regulation 17]

Form CA1

MINISTRY OF SOCIAL SECURITY, NATIONAL SOLIDARITY AND REFORM INSTITUTIONS (SOCIAL AID DIVISION)
**APPLICATION FOR SURVIVING PARTNER’S ALLOWANCE**

[Regulation 15(1)(r) of the Social Aid Regulations 1984]

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**PART A – PARTICULARS OF APPLICANT**

1. (1) Surname........................................................................................................................................
2. (2) Other names..................................................................................................................................
3. (3) Nickname....................................................................................................................................... 6.
4. (4) Date of birth........... BC no............ C.S.O.............. NIC no...........................
5. (5) Residential address...........................................................................................................................
6. (6) Tel no............................ Mobile no........................... Bank amount no.......... Bank......................... Branch...........................

**PART B – PARTICULARS OF APPLICANT’S DECEASED PARTNER**

2. (1) Surname........................................................................................................................................
3. (2) Other names..................................................................................................................................
4. (3) Date of birth........... DC no............ C.S.O.............. NIC no...........................

**PART C - PARTICULARS OF CHILDREN**

**Benefit shall be payable to a maximum of 3 dependent children in line with Regulation 15(1)(r) – Amended by [GN No. 186 of 2021]**

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**PART D - DECLARATION BY APPLICANT**

**(TO BE MADE IN PRESENCE OF REGISTRATION OFFICER)**

I, ........................................................................................................................................ (full name of
applicant in block letters) do hereby declare that –

(a) I started to live in a union as wife with the person named in Part B as from …… (dd) ………….(mm)…………… (yyyy) and was still living with the said person at the time of his death on…………………

(b)…………………….child/children was/were born from the said union, namely –

(1)……………………
(2)……………………
(3)……………………
(4)……………………
(5)……………………

(c) I have not contracted any civil or religious marriage after the death of the person named in Part B;

(d) the supporting documents referred to in Part E are duly enclosed;

(e) I am not in receipt of any social aid under section 3(IA) of the Social Aid Act or under paragraph (o) of the Social Aid Regulations 1984 or any invalid’s basic pension or widow’s basic pension or survivor’s pension under the National Pensions Act;

(f) the information given by me and recorded in this form has been read over/translated and explained to me and is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief; and

(g) my attention has been drawn to section 8 of the Social Aid Act and I understand that if I, inter alia, knowingly make a false statement or representation or fail to disclose any material fact, I may be subject to prosecution and, on conviction, may be liable to a fine not exceeding Rs 50,000 and imprisonment for a term not exceeding 2 years.

………………………………                                            …………………………..
Date                                        Signature

PART E - SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

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**Amended by** [GN No. 190 of 2014]; [GN No. 186 of 2021]

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**THIRD SCHEDULE**

[Regulation 17]

**UNDER REGULATION 17 OF THE SOCIAL AID REGULATIONS 1984**
IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF ..........................................

We —

(1) ........................................, (name) ........................................, (occupation)
of ........................................................., (address), holder of National Identity Card number ...........................................
Make oath/solemn affirmation;

(2) ........................................, (name) ........................................, (occupation)
of ........................................................., (address), holder of National Identity Card number ...........................................
Make oath/solemn affirmation,

and say that -

(1) We personally know the applicant, Mrs ........................................, and have known Mr ........................................ since ............................... (date or number of years).

(2) We are personally aware that the applicant had started to live in a union as wife with the said Mr ........................................ on ............................... ;

(3) ............................... (number of) child/children was/were born from the union between the applicant and Mr ........................................, namely -

(1) ........................................

(2) ........................................

(3) ........................................

(4) ........................................

(5) ........................................

(4) Mr ........................................ passed away on ............................... and the applicant has not subsequently contracted any religious or civil marriage.

Sworn/solemnly affirmed by the abovenamed deponent no. 1 on the ............................... day of ............................... 20........

Sworn/solemnly affirmed by the abovenamed ........................................ deponent no. 2 on the ............................... day of District Magistrate ............................... 20........
Added by [GN No. 190 of 2014]