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**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
**MINISTRY OF DEFENCE**  
**(DEPARTMENT OF EX SERVICEMEN WELFARE)**

B Wing, Room No. 221  
Sena Bhavan, New Delhi

Dated 07<sup>th</sup> March, 2019

To:  
The Deputy Managing Director,  
Ex-Servicemen Contributory Health Scheme,  
Central Organisation,  
Thimaiya Marg, Gopinath Circle,  
Delhi Cantt

**Subject: Grant of ECHS facilities to World War II Veterans, ECOs, SSCOs and pre-mature retirees**

Approval of the Competent Authority is hereby conveyed for grant of membership of ECHS to World War II Veterans, Emergency Commissioned Officers (ECOs), Short Service Commissioned Officers (SSCOs) and pre-mature retirees by waiving off the conditions relating to receipt of pension and being ESMs for becoming eligible to receive medicare under ECHS, subject to the following conditions:

- (i) They must apply for membership of ECHS and accept the Rules of ECHS.
- (ii) ECHS facilities would be extended only to the individuals of the above-mentioned categories and their spouses.
- (iii) They will have to pay one-time contribution and become members of the ECHS. (However, war widows shall be exempt from payment of one-time ECHS contribution)
- (iv) They should not have been discharged on disciplinary grounds.
- (v) They should not be covered under any other institutional health scheme of the Government
- (vi) They should abide by the ECHS Rules as amended from time to time.
- (vii) The WW-II Veterans and ECOs and their spouses would be allowed all ECHS facilities including treatment in ECHS empanelled hospitals, and free OPD and IPD treatment facilities at the AFMS Hospitals, as available to other ECHS members
- (viii) The SSCOs and pre-mature retirees would be eligible for the following facilities:
  - (a) Free OPD services from ECHS Polyclinics
  - (b) They must pay for OPD/IPD/Investigations in ECHS empanelled hospitals and seek reimbursement @ 75% of total admissible expenditure for personnel having more than 10 years of service and

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@ 50% of total admissible expenditure for personnel having less than or equal to 10 years of service

2. This issues with the concurrence of MoD (Fin/Pen) vide their ID No 31(02)/2019/Fin/Pen dated 7.3.2019

  
(A.K. Karn)

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3. PPS to Secretary, ESW.
4. PPS to Secretary, Defence
5. Secretary, Ministry of Finance (Deptt. of Expenditure)
6. Secretary, Ministry of Law & Justice (Deptt. of Legal Affairs)
7. Cabinet Secretariat w.r.t. their letter No. CCS/10/2019 dated 7.3.2019
8. Dy MD,ECHS with request to urgently forward draft Govt. Letter on one-time contribution to be deposited by the new beneficiaries.
9. MoD(Fin/Pension)
10. Addl. FA & JS (RK)
11. O/o CGDA
12. DGADS
13. DGAFMS/DG-3A, Room No 4, M Block
14. Director (Medical), Department of Defence