ब्रहमपुत्र वैली फर्टिलाइजर कॉरपोरेशन लिमिटेड, नामरूप BRAHMAPUTRA VALLEY FERTILIZER CORPORATION LIMITED, NAMRUP कार्मिक विभाग / PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT

संदर्भ संख्या.

दिनांक

No. 002/ BVFCL/Pers/EPS/351

Date: 03-03-2023

CIRCULAR

Subject:

EPS'95 - Submission of Joint Option Form in pursuance of the

Hon'ble Supreme Court's order dated 4th Nov'2022.

Ref:

EPFO latest circular No. Pension/2022/56259/16541 dated 20.02.2023

This is further to our circular No.002/BVFCL/Pers/EPS-95/ dated 31.01.2023 on EPS-95 informing that eligible EPS-95 members need to apply to EPFO in the form and manner to be specified by them.

EPFO vide circular No. Pension/2022/56259/16541 dated 20.02.2023(referred at above) has issued instructions in compliance to orders contained in Para 44(iii) & (iv) read with Para 44(v) of Hon'ble Supreme Court judgement dated 04.11.2022 in matter of SPL 658-8659.

EPFO has now enabled the URL and the option for higher pension has only to be exercised on the link hosted by EPFO on their website. The option can be exercised as per the flow given below:

epfindia.gov.in ____ Services ____ For Employees ____ Member UNA/Online Service (OCS/OTCP) ___ Pension on Higher Salary: Exercise of Joint option under para 11(3) and para 11(4) of EPS-95 on or before 3rd May 2023.

The same can also be accessed directly through the following link:

https://unifiedportal-men.epfindia.gov.in/memberInterfacePohw/- Application form for joint option

As per the EPFO website, last date of exercising the joint option has been extended upto 03.05.2023. However, after exercising of the option for availing pension on higher wages by the eligible EPS-95 members, employer (BVFCL) has to verify and validate details in respect of each opting member and considering the quantum of work involved at BVFCL's end as well as the anticipated heavy load on EPFO website/URL, this exercise would require considerable time. Hence EPS-95 members, willing to exercise the option, are advised to submit their option by 02.04.2023 giving BVFCL sufficient time for further procedural formalities.

All members are hereby requested to submit duly filled and signed copy of undertaking form for diverting/ remitting shortfall amount to BVFCL A/C (in case of insufficient balance amount in PF) @ 8.33% of his/her actual salary/wages out of employer's contribution towards Pension Fund. The members who have already retired are requested to submit Joint declaration form along with photocopies of Aadhar, Bank Pass book and PAN for updation KYC if required.

Further, physical joint option forms shared by BVFCL earlier and submitted by the employees/ex-employees to BVFCL have become infructuous and hence are not being forwarded to EPFO authorities.

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