



**GOVERNMENT OF SIKKIM**  
**SOCIAL JUSTICE, EMPOWERMENT AND WELFARE DEPARTMENT**  
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**NOTICE**

The Department has released the pensions for the months of **July, 2017 to August, 2017** of all beneficiaries drawing pensions/ allowances under the following schemes in the respective Banks

1. Indira Gandhi National Old Age Pension
2. Indira Gandhi National Disability Pension
3. Indira Gandhi National Widow Pension
4. Unmarried Women Pension
5. Subsistence Allowance

The beneficiaries are advised to collect the pension from their Banks duly producing the Pension Passbook in original issued by the Department along with the Bank/Post Office Passbook. In case, the Pensioner(s) are differently abled and old aged, the legal heir may draw the pension from the Bank by submitting the Authorization letter from the Pensioner duly certified by the Ward Panchayat and authenticated by the Sub-Divisional Magistrate or the Gram Vikash Adhikari /Block Development Officer as the case may be.

Efforts may be made by all Branch Managers to disburse the Pensions within a period of one month failing which the undisbursed sum may be refunded to the Department along with the beneficiaries Bank and Scheme details.

The Ministry of Rural Development vide Notification No: S.O. 641(E) dated: 27<sup>th</sup> February 2017 has mandated the submission of Aadhaar Number by all the beneficiaries desirous of receiving benefit under the National Social Assistance Programme . A copy of the Notification is available on the Departmental Website: [www.sikkimsocialwelfare.gov.in](http://www.sikkimsocialwelfare.gov.in).

**The Department intends to release monthly pension to all beneficiaries in DBT mode through Aadhaar Linked Accounts by the end of 2017. All Banks are, therefore, requested to identify beneficiaries who are receiving pension in Joint Accounts and take necessary action to convert such accounts into Aadhaar Linked Individual Accounts. All Beneficiaries currently drawing pension through State Bank of Sikkim Accounts and Post Office Accounts are requested to open new Accounts in any nearest Nationalised Bank Branches under the Prime Minister Jan Dhan Yojana(PMJDY) scheme, link their Aadhaar numbers with their new Accounts and submit their new Bank and Aadhaar Details to the Department by 30<sup>th</sup> September 2017. This may be brought to the notice of all concerned through local support.**

Beneficiaries who have not yet enrolled for Aadhaar Number are requested to do so at their nearest Aadhaar Enrollment Center and submit their Aadhaar Number and Aadhaar Consent Form to the Department at the earliest.

Further, all the Panchayat members in rural areas and Councilors in urban areas are requested to report the death of beneficiaries along with their death certificates, if any, under their respective units/ wards to the Social Justice, Empowerment & Welfare Department on month to month basis in future to enable us to update the database on regular intervals.

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