

No. 6-23(1)/2025/PAT  
Government of India  
Ministry of Communications  
Department of Telecommunications  
(PAT Section)

1120, Sanchar Bhawan  
20-Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001  
Date: 02-07-2025

### OFFICE MEMORANDUM

**Sub.: Enhancement of Allowances - Tough Location I, II, III due to increased DA rates i.e. 50% w.e.f. 01.01.2024.**

The undersigned is directed to draw the attention towards Department of Expenditure ID No.2/5/2017-E.II(B) dated 20.03.2024 addressed to the Controller General of Accounts, New Delhi with copy to this Department and others vide which DoE has reiterated their position that no separate order with regard to increase of allowances consequent upon increase in DA rates to 50% is required.

2. Para-2 of DoE OM No.3/1/2017-E.II (B), dated 19.07.2017 states that the rates shall increase by 25% whenever the Dearness Allowance payable on the revised pay structure goes up by 50%. Therefore, consequent upon increase of Dearness Allowance to 50% w.e.f. 01.01.2024, the enhanced revised rates of Tough Location Allowance I, II & III may be regulated as per the DoE OM No.3/1/2017-E.II (B) dated 19.07.2017 **w.e.f. 01.01.2024** as below:

Allowance	Category	Cell Name	Rate per month (in Rs)	Revised rate (After increase of DA to 50%)	Pay Level
(i) Special Compensatory (Remote Locality) Allowance Places covered under Part-A & B	Tough Location Allowance-I	R3H1	5300	6625	9 & above
			4100	5125	8 & below
(ii) Special Compensatory (Remote Locality) Allowance Places covered under Part-C	Tough Location Allowance-II	R3H2	3400	4250	9 & above
			2700	3375	8 & below

(iii) Special Compensatory (Remote Locality) Allowance Places covered under Part-D	Tough Location Allowance-III	R3H3	1200 1000	1500 1250	9 & above 8 & below
Bad Climate Allowance	Tough Location Allowance-III	R3H3	1200 1000	1500 1250	9 & above 8 & below
Tribal area Allowance	Tough Location allowance-III	R3H3	1200 1000	1500 1250	9 & above 8 & below
Sunderban Allowance	Tough Location allowance-III	R3H3	1200 1000	1500 1250	9 & above 8 & below

3. All other contents in DoE OM No.3/1/2017-E.II (B) dated 19.07.2017 shall remain unchanged.

4. This issues with approval of the competent authority.

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