

HIGH COURT OF DELHI: NEW DELHI

(Establishment-I Branch)

No.643/Estt.I/DHC

Date: 20.06.2025

CIRCULAR

Sub:- Option to avail benefits of Unified Pension Scheme (Under National Pension System) Regulations, 2025.

It is circulated for the information of all the officers/ officials of this Court that the Government of India has notified Unified Pension Scheme (UPS) vide Notification No.F.No.FX-1/3/2024-PR, dated January 24, 2025 for implementation w.e.f. 01.04.2025. Further PFRDA has also notified regulations on 19.03.2025 regarding implementation of UPS. The existing New Pension System (NPS) subscribers as on 01.04.2025 can shift from NPS to UPS, by exercising option (Form A2), within 3 months w.e.f. 01.04.2025 or within such extended timelines if any, allowed by the Central Government (as on date, the last date for exercising the option is 30.06.2025). An email in this regard has already been sent to all NPS subscribers by the Protean eGov Technologies Limited in the Month of April 2025.

2. The option to avail benefits under UPS shall be available to the following category of persons, in terms of Chapter III (Enrolment) of the Notification dated 19.03.2025:-

- (i) an existing central government employee in service as on 1st April 2025, who is covered under NPS;
- (ii) new recruit in the Central Government services, who joins service on or after the 1st day of April 2025; and
- (iii) a Central Government employee who was covered under NPS and who has superannuated or voluntarily retired or has retired under Fundamental Rules 56(j) on or before 31st March 2025 and is eligible for UPS or the legally wedded spouse in case of a subscriber who has superannuated or retired and has demised prior to exercising the option for UPS.

3. All the Officers/Officials/Ex. Officers/Officials of the establishment of this Court covered under the National Pension System (NPS) and wish to avail the benefits under the Unified Pension Scheme (UPS) can exercise their option to shift from NPS to UPS preferably through online mode in the following link **<https://enps.nsdl.com/eNPS/NationalPensionSystem.html>**.

4. The Officers/ Officials/Ex. Officers/Ex-Officials of this Court also have the option to submit the forms physically in the respective forms (Copy of notification dated 24.01.2025, 19.03.2025 and Form A2, B1, B2 & B6 are available on the official website/ intranet of this Court) **after going through all the details of the scheme (UPS) and its operationalization with due care before submitting the Option.**

5. **Option once exercised shall be final and irrevocable.**

6. The Officers/ Officials exercising the option for UPS through online mode are required to take printout of the acknowledgment and to submit the same to the DDO/ Accounts Branch.

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7. Those exercising the option through offline mode are required to submit the duly filled in form to the DDO/ Accounts Branch. The Officers/ officials of this Court are advised to retain the acknowledgment slip signed/stamped by the DDO/Accounts Branch for future reference.

8. **The said scheme is purely optional and the eligible employees are required to make their own assessment of benefits available under the aforesaid schemes and accordingly exercise option to switch from NPS to UPS. Registry shall not be responsible for the decision taken by the employees in this regard.**

9. **The last date of submission of option is 30th June, 2025.** An eligible person, who does not exercise the UPS option under NPS within the timelines laid down shall be deemed to have opted to continue under NPS without UPS option.

10. The applicable forms for exercising the option to avail the benefits under the UPS for different categories of officers/officials of this Court are as given below:-

S.No.	Particulars	Form
1.	Exercise of Options by an eligible Central Government employee presently subscribed to National Pension System (NPS) for being covered under Unified Pension Scheme (UPS)	A2
2.	Claim and Payout Form: Unified Pension Scheme (UPS) subscriber who superannuated or retired on or after 1 st April, 2025	B1
3.	Claim and Payout Form: Unified Pension Scheme (UPS) subscriber who superannuated or retired on or before 31 st March, 2025	B2
4.	Claim and Payout Form Spouse of the deceased Unified Pension Scheme (UPS) subscriber who superannuated / retired on or before 31/03/2025 and eligible for UPS benefits and subscriber had not availed benefits under UPS.	B6

11. The Officers/ Officials/ Ex-Officers/Officials of this Court may refer to the Notification dated 19.03.2025 issued by the PFRDA and Standard Operating Procedure on shifting from NPS to UPS issued by Protean EGov Technologies Limited on the Intranet and website of this Court as also to check the email in this regard from the Protean. The Officials who have joined this Court on or after 01.04.2025 are required to submit their option for availing the benefits under UPS, if they so choose, within 30 days from the date of their joining in Form A1.

12. The Drawing & Disbursing Officer(DDO)/Accounts Branch shall take necessary/ subsequent steps as regards verification as also the eligibility of the Subscribers to migrate to UPS and also ensure that the details entered are as per the service records, in terms of regulation No.4 of Chapter III of Notification dated 19.03.2025 and Standard Operating Procedure issued by Protean eGov Technologies Limited.

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(Janardan Tripathi)
Registrar(Establishment-I)

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Copy forwarded for information and action to:-

1. The Registrar(HR/A-I), Supreme Court of India, Tilak Marg, New Delhi-with the request to circulate the present circular amongst the officials of the High Court of Delhi presently posted under your kind control on diverted capacity.
2. The President, State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, A-Block, 1st Floor, Vikas Bhawan, I.P.Estate, New Delhi- with the request to circulate the present circular amongst the official of the High Court of Delhi presently posted under your kind control on diverted capacity.
3. The Director (Administration), Delhi Judicial Academy, Dwarka Integrated Complex, Sector-14, Dwarka, New Delhi- with the request to circulate the present circular amongst the official of the High Court of Delhi presently posted under your kind control on diverted capacity.
4. The Director, Telecom Disputes Settlement & Appellate Tribunal, Government of India, R.No.367, 3rd Floor, Hotel Samrat Kautilya Marg, Chanakya Puri, New Delhi-110021 – with the request to circulate the present circular amongst the officials of the High Court of Delhi presently posted under your kind control on deputation.
5. Registrar-cum-Secretary to Hon'ble the Chief Justice.
6. All Registrars/Officers on Special Duty/Co-ordinator (DIAC).
7. Joint Registrar (Registrar General Secretariat).
8. All Joint Registrars/ Deputy Registrars/ Additional Coordinators (DIAC).
9. The Drawing & Disbursing Officer(DDO), Delhi High Court- with the request to take necessary/subsequent steps in terms of regulation No.4 of Chapter III of Notification dated 19.03.2025 and Standard Operating Procedure issued by Protean eGov Technologies Limited.
10. Assistant Registrars/ Assistant Registrar(Library).
11. Assistant Registrar(Accounts).
12. Director (IT)- with the request to get the above Circular uploaded (i) on the website of this Court for information to the eligible ex-officials of this Court and (ii) on the intranet for information to the existing employees of this Court.
13. All Administrative Officers (Judicial)/Branches-in-charge/Court Masters/Private Secretaries/ Librarian, with a request to bring the content of the above circular to the knowledge of the officials working under their supervision and also to instruct them to bring this circular to the knowledge of eligible ex-officials of this Court.
14. AOJ(Accounts-I).
15. Notice Board.
16. Guard File.



(S.S. Bhatnagar)
Joint Registrar(Estt.-II/CC)