

No. A.I-1/Inst-Accts-3(RHA)

Dtd: 06/07/2021

U/C (.) **Regarding clarification on admissibility of Risk & Hardship Allowance (RHA) during lockdown period** (.) A number of queries have been received in this Directorate asking for clarification on the admissibility of RHA wherein lockdown period of stay at home has been regularized into Govt duty under various situations as clarified vide this Dte signal No. M.V-1/2020-Adm-I-DA-3 dated 21/08/2020 (.) The subject issue has been examined in this Dte with prevailing instructions/guidelines on the admissibility of RHA and it is clarified that as per existing instructions, the RHA is admissible to the personnel physically deployed in the classified field areas (.) The regularizations of leave/absence etc are done for maintaining continuity of service without any breakage/gap in service and for making the total period countable towards qualifying service for the purpose of pension (.) Thus, such types of regularizations of lockdown period/ stay at home period as duty does not entitle the affected personnel for RHA (.) Hence RHA may be regulated in terms of this Dte signal No. A.I-4/Instn-Accts-3 dated 25/10/2019 and A.I-1/Instn-Accts-3 dated 28/10/2020 (.) Your subordinate offices may pse be apprised accordingly ////-

sd/- 06/07/2021

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