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Ministry of Home Affairs
Government of India

SUBJECT:- REVISED SCHEME FOR SURRENDER-CUM REHABILITATION OF MILITANTS IN THE NORTH EAST (As amended in January, 2018)

1. Objectives of the scheme:

The objective of the Scheme is to wean away the misguided youth and hardcore militants who have strayed into the fold of militancy and now find themselves trapped into that net. The scheme also seeks to ensure that the militants who have surrendered do not find it attractive to join militancy again.

2. Eligibility Criteria:

The scheme is applicable to those militants who surrender at least with one weapon as mentioned in Para 5. However, in exceptional and deserving cases, militants who surrender without arms may also be considered for rehabilitation under the scheme. The names of such militants would be scrutinized by the Screening Committee and a final view taken by Unified Headquarters or similar body at the State Government headquarters. The benefits of the scheme shall not be available to a surrenderee who is a recycled militant/terrorist.

3. Benefits under the Scheme:

i. Persons eligible under the scheme will be initially lodged in a Rehabilitation camp where they will be imparted training in a trade/vocation of their liking or befitting their aptitude.

ii. They shall be paid a monthly stipend for a period of 36 months. The stipend in respect of a surrenderee shall not exceed Rs.6,000/- per month. The scale of stipend for various categories of surrendeerees will be decided by the State Government in consultation with the Government of India.

iii. An immediate grant of Rs. 4 lakh to be kept in a bank in the name of surrenderee as fixed deposit for a period of 3 years. The money can be withdrawn by the surrenderee after 3 years

subject to good behaviour. This money can be utilized as collateral security/margin money against loan to be availed by the surrenderee from the bank for self-employment.

iv. In the event of a surrenderee being able to secure any Government job, either in Central Government/PSU/Army/State Government/Cooperatives, where the Central/State Government has a share, this amount will not be given to the surrenderee.

v. Cases against the surrenderees will be reviewed as per the policies of the State Government concerned.

vi. Minor crime cases against successfully rehabilitated surrenderees may be withdrawn as per the State Government policies.

vii. The surrenderees who have committed heinous crimes like murder, rape, abduction etc. will be subject to the due process of law and surrender shall not imply amnesty from the crimes committed by them.

viii. A surrenderee who indulges in crime while under rehabilitation shall forfeit the benefits under the scheme.

4. Board and lodging at the rehabilitation camp.

i. The stay of a surrenderee in Rehabilitation camp shall not exceed three years. All efforts shall be made to settle the surrenderees during this period. In case of settlement of any surrenderee before the expiry of three years, the stipend shall be stopped with effect from the date of settlement and Rs.4 lakh will be released on the date of settlement.

ii. Expenditure incurred on boarding of lodging provided to surrenderees in the rehabilitation camps would be met out of the stipend provided to the surrenderees.

iii. Funds will be provided for construction of rehabilitation camps as per State PWD estimates after being vetted by Technical wing of IFD, MHA to accommodate the surrenderees. Expenditure on such construction work is reimbursable under item 3 (iii) of revised SRE guidelines.

5. Incentives for Weapons:

The following incentives have been built in to the scheme for the surrendered weapons/ammunitions:

Sl. No.	Weapon	Incentive (in Rs.)
a.	LMG/GPMG/Pika/RPG/Sniper Rifle/ Rocket Launcher/Similar Weapons /similar weapon	1,00,000/-
b.	AK 47/56/74 Rifle	50,000/-
c.	Rocket (per rocket)	5,000/-
d.	Grenade/Hand Grenade/Stick Grenade (per grenade)	1,000/-
e.	Remote Control Device (per device)	5,000/-
f.	Ammunition of all types (per round)	50/-
g.	IED	3,000/-
h.	Land Mines	5,000/-
i.	Explosive material (per Kg).	3,000/-
j.	Wireless Set i. Short Range (per each set) ii. Long Range (per each set)	5,000/- 10,000/-
k.	Satellite Phone	40,000/-
l.	VHF/HF Communication Set Electronic	10,000/-
m.	Detonators	300/-
n.	Other detonators	100/-

The incentive admissible to the surrenderees for the surrendered arms shall be deposited in the form of a Fixed Deposit in the joint name of surrenderee and the NGO/State Government nominee and shall be given to the surrenderee at the time of his leaving the Rehabilitation Camp.

6. Agencies for rehabilitation:

The agency for rehabilitation may be a suitable NGO and/or the State Government. In case it is an NGO, it will run the Rehabilitation Camp with support from the Security Forces and the Government where required. A suitable NGO, which has good credentials and is willing to work in this sphere, will have to be indentified and provided necessary support from the State Government.

7. Reimbursement of Expenditure on Rehabilitation by Government of India:

The Government of India shall provide 90% reimbursement for expenditure incurred on the rehabilitation on surrenderees under the Security Related Expenditure Scheme. In view of the financial position of insurgency affected States and also the fact that the NGO's who may undertake rehabilitation work may immediately need some money in advance, there will be provision for giving 50% of estimated annual expenditure on rehabilitation in advance and the rest as reimbursement.

8. Inspection of rehabilitation centers and records by Government of India:

The Government of India shall have the right to inspect any of the camps setup for rehabilitation or transit and to verify any record in this regard.

9. Procedure for identification and rehabilitation:

i. The following agencies will be involved in the process of identification and rehabilitation of surrendered militants:-

- (a) ADG/IG (Special Branch) will act as the Surrender and Rehabilitation Officer (S&R Officer) under the Scheme.
- (b) Army.
- (c) Central Para Militancy Force.
- (d) State Intelligence Bureau
- (e) State Police/State Administration.
- (f) A nominated NGO.

ii. Each of the Security Forces will identify one officer of the rank of ADG/IG/DIG or equivalent officer as the nodal officer for coordinating surrender and rehabilitation work of militants with respect to their organization.

- iii. A militant shall be free to surrender before any unit of the Army/CPMFs. District Magistrate, District SP, ADG/Zonal IG/Range DIG, IG(Ops), IG/DIG (Special Branch), SPs(Special Branch), SDM, Sub-Divisional Police Officer or any other notified officer. The officers for this purpose shall be notified by the State Government with due approval of the Government of India. A militant may also surrender before any unit of the Army or the CPMFs outside the State. The officer receiving the surrender shall get the details as informed by the surrenderee filled in a prescribed proforma and send the same to the ADG/IGP(SB) and to the nodal officer of the forces. The nodal officer of each of the organization will verify the antecedents of the militants from its own sources and his activities and send its specific recommendations to the S&R Officer stating whether the individual could be taken in as surrenderee or not.
- iv. The officer receiving the surrender order will provide immediate security to the surrendered militant and after getting necessary details for filling up the proforma, send him to the transit camp to be maintained by the S&R officer. The board and lodging expenses for the person lodged in the transit camp will be borne by the Government. The Maximum period within which the decision about a person should be taken would be 15 days.
- v. On receiving the reports from the different organizations regarding the activities of surrendered person, a Screening Committee headed by the ADG/IGP (SB) and comprising of nodal officers of the Army/CAPF organizations would formally consider the surrender of militant and if accepted, transfer him to the rehabilitation camp.

10. Impact assessment of the Scheme:

Impact assessment of the policy would be done every year to ensure corrective action, if required. If the percentage of surrenderees who are successfully rehabilitated at the rehabilitation centre is below 80% the NGO need to be changed.

11. Bio-metric Data/ Aadhar:

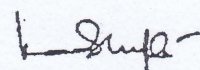
There will be compulsory Aadhar Biometric registration of the surrendered militants. No allowances/grant will be admissible if there is no Aadhar Registration of the surrendered militants. The State Government will endeavor to get Aadhar registration of all the surrenderees since the commencement of this scheme. The Surrender and Relief officer will send a monthly report to MHA of new surrenderees of the preceding month and up to date list of all those surrenderees who are currently under rehabilitation in the State.

12. Date of Effect of revised scheme:

The revised Scheme will come into effect from 01.04.2018.

13. Modification in the Scheme:

The Ministry of Home Affairs may carry out such modifications in the scheme as may be considered necessary in public interest with the approval of Home Minister.



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