State Bank of India Corporate Centre - Mumbai

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P&HRD SI. No. : 361/2010 - 11 Circular No. : CDO/P&HRD-PM/28/2010-11 Wednesday, August 18, 2010 27, Shravan 1932 (S).

All LHOs/Branches/Offices of State Bank of India

Madam / Dear Sir,

SBI RETIRED EMPLOYEES MEDICAL BENEFIT SCHEME (REMBS) REVISION IN THE SCHEME

We refer to our Circular No.CDO/P&HRD-PM/45/2009-10 dated 14.10.2009 and CDO/P&HRD-PM/ 60/2007-08 dated 17.01.2008. In this connection, the Executive Committee of Central Board in its meeting dated 12.08.2010 has approved following revisions in the Scheme :

- I. Members of the Scheme may be reimbursed expenses incurred under domiciliary treatment, whereever applicable, in respect of **any disease** (i.e. not restricted to 20 specified diseases) subject, however, to the ceiling not exceeding 10% of the eligible amount under the Plan opted by the member/beneficiary with yearly ceiling of 1/10th of the amount i.e. maximum up to 1% of the limit per annum. Such expenses shall be reimbursed only on production of medical prescription of a registered medical practitioner having atleast MBBS qualification and supported by valid cash memo of a registered medicine shop.
- II. Following two diseases will be added to the existing list of three specified diseases (i.e. paralysis, cancer and kidney transplant/kidney failure) for reimbursement of post hospitalisation expenses, subject, however, to the aggregate limit as prescribed for life under the Plan opted by the member/ beneficiary :

1. Arthritis

2. Diabetes

- III. 'Major accident' in the list of 20 specified diseases may be renamed as 'Major accident / Major injury' leading to hospitalisation.
- IV. Other instructions in this regard shall be the same.
- 2. The above revisions shall be made applicable to only those beneficiaries who become members of the Scheme in terms of our Circular No. CDO/P&HRD-PM/60/2007-08 dated 17-01-2008 or become members/upgrade their membership in terms of our Circular no. CDO/P&HRD-PM/45/ 2009-10 dated 14.10.2009.
- 3. In terms of our Circular No.CDO/P&HRD-PM/45/2009-10 dated 14.10.2009, the time limit for earlier retirees to become members of the 'Modified Scheme' or those eligible old members who wish to upgrade their membership under 'Modified Scheme' is twelve months from the date of publication of the Circular (i.e. before 14th October 2010). Please, therefore, arrange to advise

the aforementioned time limit to all branches under your administrative control with instructions to prominently display notice in this regards on the branch/office notice board along with the salient features of the Scheme for information of the pensioners. Further, please also arrange to disseminate the contents of the Circular through Centralised Pension Processing Centres so that all the retiree beneficiaries are made aware of the Scheme.

- 4. Please arrange to advise all the branches/offices under your control to make operating staff thoroughly acquainted with the provisions of the Scheme and accept applications for its membership on the prescribed form along with the draft for requisite amount, from such retirees who are eligible, to avoid unnecessary correspondence/complaints at a later stage.
- 5. Please make available membership-cum-declaration forms for membership of the REMBS in adequate numbers to all branches/offices so that the retirees may not experience any difficulty in getting the forms.
- 6. Please arrange accordingly.

Yours faithfully,

For Dy. Managing Director & Corporate Development Officer