Leave Rules: An overview AIS & CSS

K S Samarendra Nath Former Director, Ministry of Steel & Former Joint Director & Faculty Member, ISTM, DoPT Government of India <u>samar239@gmail.com</u> 9899221822

How CSS Leave Rules is organised

Chapt ers	Details	Rules
1	Preliminary	1-6
П	General Conditions	7 - 13
Ш	Grant and return from leave	14 – 25
IV	Kinds of leave due and admissible	26 – 42
V	Special kinds of leave other than Study Leave	43 – 49
VI	Study leave	50 - 63
VII	Miscellaneous	64 - 67
	Schedules	2

General Conditions

Right to leave

- 1. Leave cannot be claimed as of right
- 2. Can be refused, revoked or curtailed
- 3. Government servants to be encouraged to take leave regularly
- 4. Leave should not ordinarily be denied during the last ten years of service
- 5. Authority cannot alter the kind of leave due and applied for except at the written request of GS
- 6. No leave during suspension

Effect of dismissal, removal or resignation

- Claim to leave at credit ceases in case of dismissal or removal or resignation from service
- Technical resignation is an exception

Commutation of one kind of leave into another

- Is permissible
- If request received within 30 days of joining duty
- Subject to adjustment of leave salary

Combination of different kinds of leave

- May be permitted
- Except Casual Leave
- Casual Leave is not recognized as leave under the Leave Rules

Maximum amount of continuous leave

- 5 years
- Exception:
 - Persons with Disability on medical certificate may be sanctioned leave beyond 5 years [GID (1) below R – 20]

Grant of and return from leave

Grant of and return from leave

- Grant of leave is subject to verification of title to leave
- Leave shall not be granted in case it has been decided to dismiss, remove or compulsorily retire a Government Servant
- Leave is not granted during 'suspension'
- Combination of holidays with leave: Holidays before is pre-fixed & holidays following expiry of leave are suffixed and deemed to have been permitted
- Restricted Holidays too may be prefixed or suffixed

Grant of and return from leave ...

- Recall to duty before expiry of leave:
 - Shall be treated as compulsory
 - GS on duty from the date GS starts for station
 - Entitled to travelling allowance
 - Leave salary till GS joins
- Leave on medical grounds:
 - Medical certificate from competent medical officer
 - Certificate of fitness
 - Second medical opinion

Grant of and return from leave...

- Absence after expiry of leave:
 - Unless the competent authority extends leave, GS who remains absent after the end of leave is entitled to no leave salary for the period of such absence
 - Such absence shall be debited against his leave account as though it were half-pay leave (HPL)
 - Any period of excess of such leave will be treated as Extra-Ordinary Leave (EOL)
 - Willful absence from duty after expiry of leave renders a GS liable to disciplinary action

Kinds of leave due and admissible

Kinds of leave

- 1. Earned leave (EL)
- 2. Half-pay leave (HPL)
- 3. Commuted leave
- 4. Leave not due
- 5. Extra-ordinary leave
- 6. Paternity leave
- 7. Maternity leave
- 8. Child adoption leave
- 9. Child care leave
- 10. Study leave
- 11. Casual Leave? Special Casual Leave?

Earned leave

- Shall be credited in advance two installments
- Of 15 days on the 1st day of January and July of every calendar year
- At the rate of 2 ½ days for each completed month of service which GS is likely to render during the half-year of the calendar year
- MoS working in NE states 40 days ps @ 3 1/3rd pccm
- Maximum limit for EL at credit of a GS: 300 (+15) days
- If GS has availed EOL and/or some period of absence is treated as *dies* non in a half-year, the credit of EL for the next half-year shall be reduced by 1/10th of the period, subject to a maximum of 15 days of such leave

Half-Pay leave

- Shall be credited in advance two installments
- Of 15 days on the 1st day of January and July of every calendar year
- At the rate of 5/3 days for each completed month of service which GS is likely to render during the half-year of the calendar year
- If GS has availed EOL and/or some period of absence is treated as *dies* non in a half-year, the credit of EL for the next half-year shall be reduced by 1/18th of the period, subject to a maximum of 10 days of such leave

Commuted Leave

- Not exceeding half the amount of HPL due may be granted
- On medical certificate (MC)
- If there is reasonable prospect of the GS returning to duty on its expiry; else leave salary is recovered
- When Commuted leave is granted, twice the amount of such leave is debited against the HPL
- Maximum 180 days' HPL allowed during the entire service without medical certificate for approved course of study in public interest
- Commuted Leave upto 60 days to female GS for adoption of child
- MC not required for commuted leave in continuation of maternity leave

Leave not due

- Permanent GS may be granted Leave not due
- Maximum 360 days during the entire service on MC subject to:
 - Reasonable prospect of returning to duty; else leave salary recovered
 - Limited to HPL GS is likely to earn thereafter
 - Debited against HPL that GS may earn thereafter
 - For GS suffering from TB, Leprosy, Cancer or mental illness, exceeding 360 days

Extraordinary leave (EOL)

- Granted when:
 - No other leave is admissible
 - If admissible, GS applies in writing for EOL
- Two spells of EOL, if intervened by some other kind of leave, shall be treated as one continuous spell of EOL (temporary GS)
- Absence without leave may be commuted into EOL by the competent authority

Leave to Probationer, a person on probation and an apprentice

- Entitled to leave if the probationer had held his post substantively otherwise than on probation
- If she holds lien before appointment as probationer etc., entitled for leave as a permanent GS
- Allowed to carry forward at credit prior to joining as probationer

Special kinds of leave other than Study leave

Maternity leave

- Female GS, including unmarried female GS, with less than two surviving children entitled for 180 days of maternity leave
- Leave salary payable
- May be combined with leave of any other kind
- Maternity leave + 60 days Commuted leave + Leave not due up to maximum of two years

Paternity leave

- Male GS with less than two surviving children
- Maximum 15 days
- Within 15 days before, or up to 6 months from the date of delivery of the child
- If not availed during this period, PL lapses
- Leave salary
- May be combined with leave of any other kind
- Also available for child adoption

Child adoption leave

- Female GS with fewer than two surviving children
- On valid adoption of less than one year old child
- 180 days immediately after adoption
- Leave salary
- May be combined with leave of any other kind

Child Care leave

- Woman GS
- Maximum 730 days during her service
- To take care of the two eldest surviving children
- Child: below 18 years
- Leave salary
- May be combined with leave of any other kind
- Shall not ordinarily be granted during the probation period

EL ENCASHMENT CONTD

- With LTC :
 - 60 days in entire service
 - Max 10 days at a time
 - Minimum balance 30 days

HPL ENCASHMENT

- All retiring are eligible
- Subject to the condition that EL plus HPL encashed does not exceed 300 days

CALCULATION

(B.P.+D.A.) X TOTAL EL

30

• [<u>1/2 (B.P.+G.P.)+D.A.]</u>X NO. OF HPL 30

Thank You