

Appx A

(Ref to Para 3(a) of C&L Sec SN No
B/49717-C/AG/ECHS dt 21 Feb 14)

REFUND OF CONTRIBUTION MADE BY PRE 1996 RETIREES

1. Though pre 1996 retirees were exempted from making contribution for becoming members of ECHS vide Hon'ble Supreme Court Order on Writ Petition (Civil) No 210 of 1999 dt 22 Aug 2006, however there are no instrs from the Govt regarding refund of ECHS contribution in r/o pre Jan 1996 retirees who had already made the contribution prior to the Judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court. Contempt petition in this regards filed by Retd Defence Officers Association vide (C) No 16 of 2007 in WP (C) No 210/1999 was dismissed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court on 03 Nov 2008.

2. However, the case for refund of ECHS contribution for pre 1996 retirees who became ECHS member by paying ECHS contribution has been taken up with MoD since 20 May 2010 by Central Org ECHS. MoD had intimated that it has been decided to examine the case after Cabinet decision on the recovery of excess amount of NPA granted to retired Armed Forces doctors is available. Since the NPA issue has now been settled, Do ESW has again been requested for issuing favourable instructions.