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1. A clarification has been sought by a Regional Centre regarding few offrs who retired prior to 1980 and are not holding valid retired officers identification card; however they have following documents to establish their identity:-
 - (a) PPO and certificate from bank officials.
 - (b) Identity Card issued by Zila Sainik Board.
 - (c) Service Card.
 - (d) Medical Benefit Scheme Certificate.
2. ECHS, as all are aware requires fulfillment of two conditions, for which it is necessary for an applicant to provide:-
 - (a) That he is an ex-serviceman.
 - (b) That he/she is drawing pension.
3. It has been amply clarified that following documents are mandatory for establishment the fact of an individual being an ex-serviceman & being a pensioner:-
 - (a) For proof of being in receipt of pension. PPO duly certified by bank/treasury/PDPO officials.
 - (b) For proof of being an entitled Ex-Serviceman. Retired Officers Identity Card (Offrs) or Discharge Book or Widow Identity Card.

Or


AGI (Medical Benefit Scheme) or AFGIS(MIS) Issued Identity Card.
4. It is further reiterated that Zila Sainik Board Card is not acceptable for proof of identity as an ESM. The application will be rejected if the applicant cannot prove his identity or his/her receipt of pension. The applicant must therefore produce one of the following, i.e, Retired Officers Identity Card or the Medical Benefit Scheme Card or Discharge Book (CR) or widow Identity Card. to establish his/her bonafides.

5. Officers who do not have any of the above identification should be advised to approach their concerned Service HQs Personnel Branch, dealing with such cases, to provide a certificate. In case of the Army, AG's Branch/MP5 deals with these cases -

5. Regional Centre ECHS, Chennai.
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