

**Circular No – 098/2023**

Date: 04.10.2023

To

All Members of the Association

**EPFO EXTENDS LAST DATE FOR UPLOADING WAGE DETAILS OF THE APPLICANT PENSIONERS BY THE EMPLOYERS**

1. Certain category of pensioners under the Employees Pension Scheme 1995 were eligible to receive higher pension in accordance with the Hon'ble Supreme Court order dated 04.11.2022.
2. EPFO made available online facility for submitting application for validation of option / join options for pension on higher wages. The facility was laughed by the EPFO on 26.02.2023 and was to remain available only up to 03.05.2023. EPFO after considering the representation of the employees, the time limit was extended up to 26.06.2023 in order to provide complete four months' time to eligible pensioners/members for uploading the applications for higher pension. Further, 15 time was given to remove any difficulty faced by the eligible pensioners / members and last date for submitting the application for validation option / joint options by the employers by extended to 11.07.2023.
3. The Ministry of Labour and Employment after considering the representation the representations received from Employers and Employer's Associations, extended the time period for Employers to submit wage details etc. of applicant pensioners/members till 30.09.2023.



4. **Central Board of Trustees of the Employees Provident Fund Organization after considering many representation received from the Employers and Employers Association has extended the time limit for the employers to submit the wage details of applicant pensioners and members up to 31.12.2023.**
5. **A copy of the press release issued on 29.09.2023 by Ministry of Labour and Employment Government of India is enclosed.**

**For KARNATAKA EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION**  
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# EPFO extends three months' time for Employers to upload wage details etc. regarding Pension on Higher Wages

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Earlier an online facility was made available by EPFO for submitting Applications for Validation of Option /Joint Options for pension on higher wages. The facility was for eligible pensioners / members in compliance with the Hon'ble Supreme Court order dated 04.11.2022. The facility was launched on 26.02.2023 and was to remain available only till 03.05.2023. However, considering the representations of the employees, the time limit was extended to 26.06.2023 in order to provide complete four months' time to eligible pensioners / members for filing applications.

A last opportunity of 15 days was further given to remove any difficulty faced by the eligible pensioners/ members. Accordingly, the last date for submission of Applications for Validation of Option / Joint Options by employees was extended to 11.07.2023. 17.49 lakh Applications for Validation of Option / Joint Options have been received from pensioners / members till 11.07.2023.

In view of representations received from Employers & Employers' Associations wherein requests were made to extend time period for uploading wage details of applicant pensioners / members, the employers were also given further period of three months to submit wage details etc. online latest by 30.09.2023.

Now, again many representations have been received from Employers & Employers' Associations wherein requests have been made to extend further time period for uploading wage details of applicant pensioners / members. 5.52 lakh Applications for Validation of Option / Joint Options are still pending with employers, as on 29.09.2023.

Therefore, the request has been considered sympathetically and the Chairman, Central Board of Trustees has extended the time, for the employers to submit wage details etc till 31.12.2023.

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