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GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
COMMERCE & TRANSPORT (TRANSPORT) DEPARTMENT

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NOTIFICATION

In partial modification of this Department Notification No. 3663 dt. 14.05.2018 published in extraordinary issue of Odisha Gazette No. 748 dt. 15.05.2023, the detailed guidelines for release of compensation out of the Solatium Fund are modified as follows:

i. Management of Fund:

1. The Fund shall be managed by the Transport Commissioner and the provision made by the Government for the aforesaid Fund shall be kept in a Separate Bank Account in any of the Banks recognized by the Reserve Bank of India.
2. All Collectors are declared as the "Claim Settlement Officer"/Sanctioning authority
3. Concerned Sub-Collector is declared as the "Claim Enquiring Officer".

ii. Amount of Compensation:

There shall be paid as compensation:

- a. in respect of death of any person a fixed sum of two lakh rupees.
- b. in respect of grievous hurt to any person, a fixed sum of fifty thousand rupees.

iii. Procedure for claiming compensation from the fund

1. The applicant shall submit an application seeking compensation from the fund in Form-I along with and an undertaking in Form-II to the Claim Enquiring Officer i.e. Sub-Collector of the Sub-Division, where the accident takes place.
2. The application shall be made within a period of 1(One) year from the date of accident.
3. Where the Claims Enquiring Officer does not accept the grounds advanced by the applicant, he shall record a speaking order and communicate the same to the applicant for not accepting the claim application.

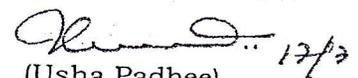
iv. **Procedure to be followed by Sub-Collector (Claims Enquiring Officer)**

1. On receipt of the application, the Claims Enquiring Officer shall immediately obtain a copy of the FIR, inquest report, post mortem report/certificate of inquiry from the concerned authorities and hold enquiry in respect of claims arising out of hit and run motor accidents.
2. In case of more than one claimants, the Claims Enquiring Officer shall decide as to who are rightful claimants.
3. The **Claims Enquiring Officer** will submit a report in Form-III along with undertaking in Form-II and his recommendation to the **Claim Settlement Officer** within one month.

v. **Sanction of claim**

1. On receipt of report from the **Claims Enquiring Officer**, Collector & DM shall sanction the claim as far as possible within 15 days from the date of receipt of report from the **Claims Enquiring Officer** and communicate the same to the Transport Commissioner in Form-IV along with to the RTO, Claimant and **Claims Enquiring Officer**.
2. On receipt of the Sanction Order, Transport Commissioner within Five days should transfer the fund through RTGS to the claimant. Transport Commissioner will maintain the accounts of the Solatium Fund Scheme.
3. In case of claims arising out of death, the payment shall be made to the legal representative of the deceased as decided by the **Claims Enquiring Officer** and in case of claims arising out of grievous hurt, the payment shall be made to the person injured
4. If the details of the vehicle made accident is detected at a later date, the claimant has to refund the amount to Transport Commissioner out of the claims settled by the Insurance Company/Claims Tribunal as the case may be.
5. Transport Commissioner will develop required software for online submission of the application. However, there will be provision of submission of application by the Claimant both in online and offline mode.

By order of the Governor,


(Usha Padhee)

Principal Secretary to Government