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## **Big relief to the pensioners of Chhattisgarh, now dearness allowance will be increased by 4% | Chhattisgarh | 01 Sep 2023**

### **Why in News?**

As per the announcement of Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel on August 31, 2023, the dearness allowance of pensioners, officers and employees of Chhattisgarh has been increased. The Finance Department of Chhattisgarh Government has issued an order for this.

### **Key Points:**

- Dearness allowance has been increased by four per cent for basic pension/family pension in the seventh pay scale. This benefit will be available from the first date of this July month. After this increase, the dearness relief has now increased to 42 percent.
- Along with this, dearness allowance has been increased by 9 percent for the pensioners getting basic pension/family pension of the sixth pay scale. This benefit will also be available from the first of July this year. With this increase, the total increase in dearness relief has gone up to 221 per cent.
- It is worth mentioning that in relation to the dearness relief of pensioners, the approval of both the states of Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh is necessary. Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel had written a letter to Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan to give approval in this regard soon. After this, as soon as the approval was received, it was decided without delay to provide the benefit of the increase in dearness relief to the pensioners.

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