Applications are invited for award of Artistes Pension under ‘Artistes Pension Scheme and Welfare Fund’ from artistes who are awardees (State Awardees or National Awardees) and who can substantially prove their source of earning from the art activity during their active age and whose personal income (including income of the spouse) should not exceed Rs.4,000/- (Rupees four thousand only) per month and whose age on the date of application should not be less than 60(sixty) years.

Applications should be submitted in prescribed form through respective State Government/UT Administrations with their recommendations. Without recommendations of State Government/UT Administrations, the application shall not be considered and rejected summarily. The application form and full details of the Scheme are available on the website of the Ministry of Culture www.indiaculture.gov.in.

2. The application may be made online through using the Registration/login Page of Culture Scheme Monitoring System (CSMS) http://csms.nic.in/login/index.php on the website of the Ministry of Culture www.indiaculture.gov.in under the heading of ‘MOC Schemes Application’.

3. All entries in the application form should be legible and filled clearly. Each page of the application and enclosures should be serially numbered and signed by the applicant. Further the page number of the relevant document should clearly be indicated on the check list.

4. The hard copy of duly filled-in application form for award of Artistes Pension along with all the necessary enclosures as mentioned in the application form should be sent to “The Director, South Central Zonal Cultural Centre, 56/1, Civil Lines, Opposite MLA’s Hostel, Nagpur, Maharashtra, Pin-440001” through respective State Government/UT Administrations with their recommendations in the prescribed format.

5. It may be noted that incomplete applications and applications without the recommendation of respective State Government/UT Administrations and necessary enclosures as mentioned in the application form will not be entertained, in any respect.
APPLICATION FORM FOR ARTISTES PENSION UNDER ‘ARTISTES PENSION SCHEME AND WELFARE FUND’

PART-I (To be filled up by the applicant)

1. Full name of the applicant: ______________________________ (in capital letters)

2. Gender (Please tick ✓ the appropriate)
   - Male ☐
   - Female ☐

3. (i) Whether SC/ST/OBC*: ____________(ii) Whether Physically handicapped: Yes/No*

4. Nationality: _______________________________________________________

5. Father’s/Husband’s name: ____________________________________________

6. Full address with Pin Code: ___________________________________________
   (a copy of self-attested documentary proof should be enclosed)
   Pin ___________________

7. Contact Details: (i) Cellph one/landline/Fax No. _________________________
   (ii) Email ID: __________________________

8. Category (Please tick ✓ the appropriate)

9. Aadhaar No.[Mandatory]: ______________________________________ (a self-attested copy should be attached)

10. (i) Marital Status: Married/Unmarried* (ii) Name of Spouse:
    (iii) Aadhaar No. of Spouse :__________________________________________

11. (i) Date of Birth in Christian era :________________________ (ii) Age on the date of application:_________________

12. Educational qualification(s) of the applicant: ___________________________
    (copy of proof to be attached)

13. (a) Present occupation of applicant : ____________________________________________
    (b) Employment and income details of spouse :

    (c) Annual personal income of the applicant (including income of the spouse) from all sources: _________________
    (Original copy of income certificate in the prescribed format ([Annexure-II(A)] issued by Competent Authority of the State/UTs concerned should be enclosed)

14. Number of persons wholly dependent on the applicant:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Age</th>
<th>Relationship</th>
<th>Occupation &amp; Income</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

15. Details of immovable property, if any, in the name of applicant or the dependent member:

16. Particulars of contributions made in the field of Culture (Copy of supporting document may be furnished): __________

17. Particulars of Awards, recognition, or distinction received from Central/State Govt. or any prominent Literary or Arts Society (Copy of relevant certificates should be furnished): _____________________________________________________________

18. Bank Accounts details of the applicant: (i) Bank Account No.____________________________________________
   (ii) Name of Bank & Branch :___________________________________________________________________________
   (iii) IFS Code: __________________________________________ (iv) MICR Code: __________________________
   [A duly filled-in and signed prescribed Bank Authorization letter (Annexure-IV) which is verified & signed by the Manager of the concerned Bank should be enclosed (in original)].

A recent (not older than six months) clear & coloured passport size photograph of the applicant to be affixed and self-attested across the application form. Without photograph the application shall be rejected summarily.
19. Whether the applicant is in receipt of any other grant or award of pension from Govt. of India/State Govt. and if so, the details of amount etc.: ____________________________________________________________

20. (i) Whether Income Tax Payer : Yes/No* (ii) Permanent Account Number (PAN): ________________________________

21. Any other relevant information which applicant may like to intimate the Ministry: ____________________________________________

22. Names of three references from the relevant field or specialization not directly related to the applicant:
   (1). _______________________________________________________________________
   (2). _______________________________________________________________________
   (3). _______________________________________________________________________

23. I solemnly affirm that:-
   (i) I am a National/State* awardee artiste and my source of earning was primarily from art activities during my active age.
   (ii) I am a destitute artiste and have meager or no source of income of my own or family or support from family members or from other source. I do not have family income of Rs.4,000/- (Rupees four thousand only) per month or more.
   (iii) My age on the date of application is not less than 60 (sixty) years of age.
   (iv) I declare that the above information in respect of me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and I undertake to abide by the Rules of Ministry of Culture and provisions of ‘Artistes Pension Scheme and Welfare Fund’. Any false information/suppression of fact would render me liable for rejection of my candidature for Artistes Pension and discontinuation of my pension, if approved by Ministry of Culture subsequently, along with appropriate penal action.
   (v) I have no objection to link my Aadhaar No. with DBT system and sharing of its details with Bank/Govt. Departments in this regard.
   (vi) If I do not furnish Jeevan Pramaan (computer generated digital life certificate) or conventional Life Certificate once in twelve months, Government has the authority to stop my pension and get back pension amount, if already deposited in my account.

Place: ____________________________________________
Date: ____________________________________________
(Signature or Left hand thumb impression of the applicant)

(*strike out which is not applicable)

Note: 1. All entries in the application form should be legible and filled clearly. Incomplete applications shall be rejected summarily.
2. All the certificates mentioned in the application form should be enclosed mandatorily.

PART-II (Recommendation to be given by the Culture Department of concerned State Government/UT Administrations)

I certify that:
1. The applicant Shri/Smt.* __________ (name of applicant) _____________________________ is a prominent artiste of ____________________________________________ and he/she* is a National/State Awardee*.
2. He/She* is getting monthly financial assistance/Pension of Rs. _____________________________ from the State Government/UT Administration of _____________________________ (name of States/UTs).
3. I recommend/do not recommend* the application for consideration of artistes pension under ‘Artistes Pension Scheme and Welfare Scheme’ being administered by Ministry of Culture, Government of India.
4. It is certified that I am the authorized person to issue this recommendation letter on behalf of my office. The applicant being recommended for the financial assistance/pension is not related to me.

Place: ___________________________  Signature: ___________________________
Date: ___________________________  Name (in capital letters): ___________________________
Complete office address: ___________________________
Office Stamp (mandatory): ___________________________
Contact No.: ___________________________

(*strike out which is not applicable)
PART-III (To be filled by the physical verification team/inspecting official)

I/We* certify after due physical inspection/verification of the details in the application that:

1. Shri/Smt. ____________________________ (name of applicant) is an artiste of ____________________________.

2. His/Her* present age, as per original relevant document, is ____________________________

3. His/Her* annual income from all sources, as per original income certificate, is ____________________________

4. I/We* have checked the identity of the applicant from original document viz. Aadhaar Card, Ration Card, Voter I.Card, Passport etc. of the applicant and enclosed a copy thereof with this application.

5. I/We* have reconciled the documents attached by the applicant with his/her* application form and the original documents furnished at the time of physical inspection/verification and found to be in order.

6. I/We* recommend/do not recommend* the application for consideration of award of Artistes Pension.

(*strike out which is not applicable)

Place: ____________________________ [Signature along with name, designation & official address of inspecting official(s)]

Date: ____________________________

PART-IV (To be filled in the office of ZCC/Ministry of Culture)

1. Whether all the entries of application have been duly filled by the applicant : Yes/No
   If not, mention deficiencies
   ____________________________
   ____________________________
   ____________________________

2. Whether all the relevant documents have been enclosed by the applicant: Yes/No
   If not, indicate about shortcoming documents
   ____________________________
   ____________________________
   ____________________________

3. Whether recommendation of State Govt./UT Administration concerned has been received properly and proposal is recommended: Yes/No

4. If the application is complete in all respect, whether physical verification/inspection of the applicant has been got done and case is recommended for placing before Expert Committee: Yes/No

5. Application/File No.(only those cases which are to be placed before Expert Committee): ____________________________

6. Date of receipt of application after physical inspection: ____________________________

7. Final outcome of the proposal: ____________________________
# CHECK LIST OF DOCUMENTS ENCLOSED WITH APPLICATION FORM FOR ARTISTES PENSION

(All the pages of the application and enclosures should be serially numbered and filled below)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Sl. No.</th>
<th>Particular/description of documents</th>
<th>Whether complied (Pl. mention Yes/No)</th>
<th>Page No. of Application/Enclosures</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1.</td>
<td>Whether all the entries have been made in the application form for Artistes Pension.</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2.</td>
<td>Whether recent (not older than six months) clear and coloured passport size photograph of the applicant has been affixed on the application form and self-attested it across the application form.</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3.</td>
<td>Whether a copy of self-attested documentary proof has been enclosed in support of address proof of applicant.</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4.</td>
<td>Whether a self-attested copy of Aadhaar Card of applicant has been attached.</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5.</td>
<td>Whether a copy of proof in respect of educational qualification(s) of applicant has been furnished.</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6.</td>
<td>Whether a copy of original income certificate issued by Competent Authority of the State/UT concerned has been enclosed.</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7.</td>
<td>Whether particulars of contributions made in the field of Culture have been furnished with supporting document in Sl. No.16 of the application form.</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8.</td>
<td>Whether particulars of awards, recognition or distinction received from Central/State Govt. or any prominent Literary or Arts Society have been furnished with relevant certificates in Sl. No.17 of the application form.</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9.</td>
<td>Whether Bank Authorization letter, which is verified and signed by the Manager of the concerned Bank, has been enclosed in original.</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10.</td>
<td>Whether the information in respect of receiving any other grant or award from Govt. of India/State Govt. by the applicant has been furnished along with details of amount etc. in Sl. No.19 of the application form.</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11.</td>
<td>Whether relevant declaration has been furnished in Sl. No. 23 of the application form.</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12.</td>
<td>Whether the recommendation (as per format given in Part-II of the application form) has been sought from Culture Department of the concerned State Govt./UT Administrations and enclosed in original.</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Signature of the applicant_____________________
Name______________________________________
INCOME CERTIFICATE

Sl. No./Memo No.:_________________________ Date:_________________________

This is to certify that entire family income of Shri/Smt. ____________________________________________, S/o, D/o, W/o _________________________________________, R/o__________________________________

__________________________________________________________________________________________
is Rs.__________(Rupees_________________________________________________) per annum.
His/her present occupation is ____________________________________________. He/She has no other
occupation and income and there is no other earning member in his/her family.

Place:_________________________ Date:_________________________ Signature with seal and full Address of the
Competent issuing Authority

Note: The Competent issuing Authority for Income Certificate in various States/Union Territories are
given in Annexure-II(B).
LIFE CERTIFICATE

(To be submitted by approved beneficiary/pensioner under Artistes Pension Scheme & Welfare Fund once a year)

Certified that I have seen Shri/Smt./Ms.______________________________________________________
holder of Annuity No. (allotted by LIC of India)__________________________ and that he/she is alive on this date.

1. Present address of the approved beneficiary/pensioner:

2. Telephone/Mobile number (if any):

3. E-mail address (if any):

4. Aadhaar number:

(Signature or Left hand thumb impression
of the existing beneficiary/pensioner)

(Signature of Authorised Officer# for issuing life certificate)

Name:

Place :

Date :                  Designation:

Seal

#Life Certificate to be signed by any person specified hereunder:-

(i) A person exercising the powers of a Magistrate under the Criminal Procedure Code;

(ii) A Registrar or Sub-Registrar appointed under Indian Registration Act;

(iii) A Gazetted Government servant;

(iv) A Police Officer not below the rank of Sub-Inspector in-charge of a Police Station;

(v) A Postmaster, a departmental Sub-Postmaster or an Inspector of Post Offices;

(vi) A Class I officer of the Reserve Bank of India, an officer (including Grade II officer) of the State Bank of India or of its subsidiary;

(vii) A pensioned officer who, before retirement, exercised the powers of a magistrate;

(viii) A justice of Peace;

(ix) A Block Development Officer, Munsif, Tehsildar or Naib Tehsildar;

(x) A Head of Village Panchayat, Gram Panchayat, Gaon Panchayat or an Executive Committee of a Village;

(xi) A Member of Parliament, of State Legislature or of Legislatures of Union Territories Governments/Administrations

(xii) Treasury officer
ANNEXURE-IV

BANK AUTHORIZATION LETTER

(I __________________________________________) would like to receive the financial assistance disbursed by the Ministry of Culture to me electronically to my bank account, details of which are given below:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Payee’s Particulars</th>
<th>Details</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Name of payee as in Bank Account</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Address</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>District &amp; Pin Code</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>State</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PAN Number</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Telephone Number with STD code</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mobile No.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E-mail Address</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Bank Details

| Name of the Bank                        |                              |
| Bank Branch (Complete address & Telephone Number) |                              |
| Bank Account Number                     |                              |
| Account Type                            |                              |
| Mode of Electronic Transfer available   |                              |
| ECS/RTGS/NEFT                           |                              |
| IFSC Code                               |                              |
| MICR Code                               |                              |
| Whether account has been seeded with Aadhaar Number |                              |

Signature________________________________

Name of Individual _____________________________

Account number and IFSC/MICR Codes have been verified by me and are correctly recorded above.

Manager*

(Bank branch maintaining the Account)
* (to be signed by the Manager of the Bank in blue ink) (Seal)