



Indian Forest Service Benevolent and Welfare Trust

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Dated: 26/07/2026

MINUTES OF MEETING

Committee for Scrutiny and Evaluation of Proposals (CSEP)

1. MEETING DETAILS

Purpose	To review the death-in-service assistance application filed on behalf of bereaved family members of Late Sh. Hariom, Forester, Mahendergarh Forest Division, Haryana, and to determine the compensation payable to his family.
Date/Time/Mode	25 July 2026 (Saturday)/ 5:00 to 6:00 PM/Google meet, whatsapp group consultation on 26.7.2026
Chaired by	Sh. Surendra Kumar, Vice-Chairman, CSEP

2. MEMBERS PRESENT

1	Sh. Surendra Kumar, IFS (Retd.) — Vice-Chairman, CSEP (In the Chair)
2	Sh. A.K. Johari, IFS (Retd.)
3	Sh. Anil Ganeriwala, IFS (Retd.)
4	Sh. V.B. Kumar, IFS (Retd.)
5	Ms Jyotsana Sitling, IFS(Retd.)
6	Sh Suneesh Bakhi IFS

3. BACKGROUND OF THE CASE

Late Sh. Hariom, Forester, Mahendergarh Forest Division, died in a tragic road accident on 13th July 2026 while travelling to attend a Samadhan Shivir at Kanina, District Mahendergarh. Shri Vijender Singh, IFS-DCF, and the DFO, Mahendergarh, submitted a death-in-service assistance application on behalf of the deceased's family, supported by the FIR copy, bio-data, bank details, and UID, uploaded with the application form.

Sh. Surendra Kumar, IFS (Retd.), presented the case along with the supporting documents to the Committee for scrutiny.

4. DISCUSSION

- Prima facie, the application indicated that Late Sh. Hariom was unmarried, with his father, Shri Pardeep Kumar (aged 53), recorded as the sole beneficiary in the service book.
- On preliminary review, the Committee formed the view that the family qualified for immediate support, consistent with the Trust's objective of assisting families from humble backgrounds.

- Sh. V. B. Kumar opined that marital status of the deceased forester should be ascertained before proceeding further. To resolve the uncertainty regarding marital status, Sh. Surendra Kumar, IFS (Retd.), contacted Sh. Vijender Singh, IFS DCF, Mahendargarh on over phone. He confirmed that Late Sh. Hariom had, in fact, married in February 2026, and clarified that the application had been prepared on the basis of service records that was yet to be updated to reflect the marital status. The marriage had taken place nearly six months earlier in February 2026.
- Sh. Vijender Singh, IFS-DCF, Mahendargarh thereupon furnished the verified details of the deceased's family, as summarised at Sl. No. 5 below.

5. VERIFIED FAMILY & FINANCIAL BACKGROUND

Late Sh. Hariom's father, Shri Pardeep Kumar, aged 53, is a marginal farmer. The deceased has one brother, a graduate, who is currently unemployed. Late Sh. Hariom's wife, aged 25, is also a graduate and a homemaker. Her Aadhaar card has been submitted in support of the application. DFO Mahendragarh clarified that she does not presently hold a bank account in her own name. It was submitted that the entire family was financially dependent on the income of Late Sh. Hariom, the sole earning member.

6. FURTHER DISCUSSION

- The Committee noted that Late Sh. Hariom's father, Shri Pardeep Kumar, a marginal farmer with only about 2 acres of land, has limited independent income.
- The one surviving brother, though a graduate, is unemployed and is not in a position to support the family.
- The wife, aged 25, is a graduate but a homemaker with no independent income or bank account in her own.
- The entire family was dependent on the earnings of Late Sh. Hariom, and both the father and the wife qualify as genuine dependent beneficiaries.
- The Committee agreed that the assistance should be apportioned equally between the father and the wife, rather than paid to a single beneficiary, so that both dependents receive direct and immediate support.

7. DECISION TAKEN

Having considered the updated family circumstances — the father's limited means as a marginal farmer, the unemployed brother, and the wife's lack of independent income or a bank account — the Committee resolved that the deceased's father and wife both dependent should be supported equally. The Committee recommended a total financial assistance of ₹3,00,000 (Rupees Three Lakh only), to be disbursed as ₹1,50,000 to Shri Pardeep Kumar, father of the deceased and ₹1,50,000 to Ms Payal Sharma, wife of Late Sh. Hariom.

Release of financial assistance to Sh Pradeep Kumar can be made immediately through his PNB Bank Account mentioned in the application, whereas financial assistance Ms Payal Sharma can be released after opening a bank account. DFO Mahendragarh may be requested to facilitate opening of the bank account.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to all members.


(Surendra Kumar)
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