

**PUBLIC SERVICE
MANAGEMENT,
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

**CIRCULAR
MEMORANDUM**

REFERENCE NO. PS: 20/19^{3III}

FROM: Permanent Secretary,
Public Service Management,
Office of the President.

TO: Permanent Secretaries,
Ministry of Health and
Ministry of Labour and
Regional Executive Officers,
Region Nos. 1 – 10.

SUBJECT:

Payment of Meal allowance to Nurses and Allied
Personnel

DATE: 1996-05-08

I refer to the above subject and now inform you that consequent upon the agreement reached between Government and the Guyana Public Service Union on a final settlement of the retroactive date of payment of Meal Allowance payable to Nurses and Allied Personnel, approval is given for the following: -

- (a) the effective date of payment of Meal Allowance of \$4,000 per month approved in my memorandum No. PS: 20/19^{3III} dated 18th April, 1995, being amended to 1st January, 1994, inclusive, instead of 1st January, 1995, inclusive;
 - (b) the effective date of payment of the Hinterland Health Service allowance (Meal Allowance) at the rates of \$8,000 and \$12,000 per month approved at paragraph 1(b) of my Circular Memorandum No. PS: 20/19³ dated 19th January, 1996, being amended to 1st January, 1994, inclusive, instead of 1st January, 1995, inclusive;
 - (c) a lump sum payment of \$7,000 (Tax-free) to Nursing Personnel who are eligible for Meal Allowance.
2. As regards the deduction from the salary and/or monthly allowance payable to Nursing and other staff who were on strike during March/April, 1996, approval is given for the total sum recoverable to be deducted over a maximum period of six months commencing from May, 1996.
 3. In order to give effect to Government's undertaking that there would be no break in service of the personnel who were on strike during March/April, 1996, you are requested to provide me by 31st May, 1996, with a comprehensive return in the following format:-

<u>MINISTRY/REGION</u>		<u>NAME OF INSTITUTION</u>	
<u>NAME OF OFFICER</u>	<u>DESIGNATION</u>	<u>TOTAL NO. OF</u>	<u>PERIOD</u>

		DAYS STRIKE	ON	FROM: TO:

4. Kindly arrange to pay the arrears of Meal Allowance now due to the Nursing and other personnel as early as possible.

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 (R. Sivanand, A.A.)
 Permanent Secretary,
 Public Service Management,
 Office of the President.