

ANY REPLY OR SUBSEQUENT REFERENCE SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO THE **FINANCIAL SECRETARY** AND THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE NUMBER QUOTED:-

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Strategic Human Resource Management Division

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## Re: Cessation of contributions to the Pensions (Civil Service Family Benefit) Scheme

Consequent on the implementation of the Pensions (Public Service) Act and the Pensions (Public Service) Regulations, effective April 1, 2018, please note the following in respect of the Pensions (Civil Service Family Benefit) Scheme:

- All members should contribute to the Scheme up to March 31, 2018;
- No deductions from pensions/salary should be made towards the Pensions (Civil Service Family Benefit) Scheme as at April 1, 2018.
- Steps should be taken to refund all contributions deducted after April 1, 2018.

Please note that all public officers who contributed to the Scheme up to March 31, 2018, their dependents or persons claiming through them, will still be eligible to receive benefits in keeping with the Pensions (Civil Service Family Benefit) Act, repealed. This is in keeping with Section 43 of the Pensions (Public Service) Act 2017.

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