

Assured Decent Last Rites Schemes (ADLRS)

1. Assured Decent Last Rites Schemes (ADLRS) was discussed during 10th AGM of VSF held at Chennai on 26 Oct 18. The case was re- examined and relevant issues are highlighted in the succeeding paragraphs.
2. The Indian Naval Benevolent Association (INBA) currently provides a sum of Rs. 30,000.00 as demise grant to NOK of deceased naval veteran irrespective of his rank. The said grant is paid to NOK of Naval pensioners only and is not applicable in the case of Naval veterans who are non-pensioners.
3. In order to claim Demise grant, NOK are to apply (for Demise grant) to INBA through respective CRSO along with the following documents:-
 - (a) Attested copy of death certificate.
 - (b) Attested copy of PPO.
 - (c) Attested copy of discharge certificate.
 - (d) Leaf/ copy of a self-cancelled cheque showing name, IFS code and account number.
4. Army and IAF have instituted separate schemes for providing financial assistance to the NOK of deceased veterans towards conduct of last rites. In addition to Rs 10,000.00 paid through ADLRS Army sanction a sum of Rs 7000.00 as Demise grant to NOK of the deceased. Whereas, IAF sanctions Rs 1000.00 for 08 months as Rehabilitation Grant to airmen from IAFBA and Rs 7500.00 under Dignified Last Rites Scheme.
5. DDGCS has promulgated revised guidelines on 04 Sep 18. These guidelines stipulate that ADLRS will be applicable to NOK of deceased Army personnel only as Navy and IAF follow separate schemes for their deceased personnel.
6. In view of the above, it has been decided that the status quo be maintained and grant of financial assistance from INBA to NoK of deceased Naval veterans be continued.