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Widows and Orphans Pension (Increase) Notice 2025

(Made by the Chief Executive under section 3(3) of the Widows and Orphans Pension (Increase) Ordinance (Cap. 205) after consultation with the Executive Council)

1. Increase in pension

The following are specified—

- (a) the date from which the increase in pensions pursuant to section 3(2) of the Ordinance is effective is 1 April 2025;
- (b) the percentage of the increase as determined in accordance with section 3(2) of the Ordinance is 2.1%.

John KC LEE Chief Executive

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Explanatory Note

Under the Widows and Orphans Pension (Increase) Ordinance (Cap. 205), if the average monthly Consumer Price Index (A) (*Average Index*) of a period of 12 months ending on 31 March of a year exceeds the Average Index of the immediately preceding 12 months by a percentage that is more than 0.1%, the pensions described in that Ordinance have to be increased by the same percentage.

2. The Average Index of the 12 months ending on 31 March 2025 exceeds the Average Index of the immediately preceding 12 months by 2.1%. Accordingly, this Notice specifies a 2.1% increase in respect of those pensions with effect from 1 April 2025.