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All ACC's Zones'  
All RPFCs (In charge of ROs)

**Subject: - Clarification regarding refund of EPF accumulations to Japanese expatriate workers working in India and who had left India before India-Japan SSA became effective on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2016. - reg.**

Sir,

India -Japan SSA has become effective from 1st October 2016. As a result EPF/EPF contributions are not required to be deposited for Japanese expatriates coming to work in establishments covered under EPF&MP Act 1952.

Article 18 of the India -Japan SSA regarding lump-sum payments provides for refund of EPF accumulations to Japanese expatriate workers working in India and who had left India before India-Japan SSA became effective on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2016. Similar Provision is also available in substituted Para 69(4) under Para 83 of the EPF Scheme 1952.

The Japanese Chamber Of Commerce And Industry In India (JCCII) has recently taken up with the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Govt of India as well as ministry of Labour and Employment Govt of India, that refund of EPF accumulations is not being provided to Japanese expatriate workers who had left India before India-Japan SSA became effective on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2016, even though Article 18 of India-Japan SSA and substituted Para 69(4) under Para 83 of the EPF Scheme 1952 expressly provides for such refund.

You are hence requested to strictly adhere to the provisions for refund as above and process the EPF/EPF withdrawal/final settlement of Japanese expatriate workers working in India and also those who left India before India-Japan SSA became effective on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2016.

(This issue with the approval of CPFC)

Yours faithfully,

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Regional Provident Fund Commissioner-I (IWU)