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## KCR announces 30% pay revision for state govt staff

## Enhances retirement age from 58 to 61 years

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n joyful news for the Telangana government employees, Chief Minister K Chandrasekhar Rao has enhanced the retirement age from the present 58 years to 61 years.

He has also declared a pay revision of 30% for the state government employees.

While the salary revision would be applicable from 1 April 2021, the retirement age modification would come into effect immediately. The aim is to utilise the services of experienced employees, Rao said in

the state Assembly on Monday.

Retirement age increase is an election manifesto promise of the TRS.

Rao also said the 11th pay revision was delayed due to the Covid-19 caused fiscal deficit.

"Though the state is in severe financial crisis, it is decided to provide the pay revision related 12 months arrears to the employees," Rao said, adding that the arrears would be paid along with retirement benefits.

In addition to the pay revision for the employees and teachers, Rao said the salaries of contract, outsourcing

employees, home guards, Anganwadi-Asha workers, SERP, Vidya volunteers, KGBV, Sarva Siksha Abhiyaan employees, village-level machinery, grant in aid, daily wage and other employees—totalling to over 9.17 lakh, would be increased.

"The government has adopted a broader view of solving the employee and teachers' issues. We now expect the employees to respond accordingly and further dedicate themselves in discharging their duties and work with full commitment in publicservice without any lapses," Rao said.

The other announcements are increasing the retirement gratuity from Rs 12 lakh to Rs 16 lakh, reduction in the age limit from 75 to 70 years for the 15% additional pension of the retired employees and teachers and 180-day paid maternity leave to Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya women staff.