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## NOTE ON COVID-19 PANDEMIC UNEMPLOYMENT PAYMENT (PUP)

<b>Circular No:</b>	21/20	<b>Date:</b>	23 March 2020
<b>Title:</b>	Note on COVID-19 Pandemic Unemployment Payment (PUP)		
<b>Description:</b>	This circular informs all staff on updated arrangements for the new COVID-19 Pandemic Unemployment Payment (PUP).		
<b>For Circulation to:</b>	All Divisional Staff, Branch Office Managers and Staff		
<b>Issued by:</b>	Regional Support Unit (RSU)		
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**Notification of Staff:** Managers should ensure that all relevant staff are fully aware of and understand the contents of this circular.

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Note on Covid-19 Pandemic Unemployment Payment (PUP).

This is the current process as at 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2020.

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5. PUP can be paid with other schemes except Illness Benefit and Jobseekers.  
*Query re Daily Expenses Allowance, CE and TÚS with second employment ongoing.* -
6. Jobseekers currently working casually who become fully unemployed should have their Jobseeker payment adjusted instead of making an application for PUP.

**Comment [JM1]:** CE, TUS and daily expenses should be excluded. Other schemes that allow working are eligible but we will run a match to identify people and set up a project/team in each area to adjust the underlying payment for difference between pup and covid-19

**Comment [JM2]:** This is the same as above..but we need to guarantee the 350 payment...i.e. The minimum during the covid payment is 350.