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Shri Ashwini Vaishnawji,
Hon. Minister for Communications & IT,
New Delhi

Respected Sir,

Sub: Pension Revision from 1/1/2017 for BSNL/MTNL pensioners on the basis of fitment factor recommended by 7th CPC - as directed by Hon PB, CAT Delhi on 20/09/2023

We may draw your kind attention to the above issue. May we recall to your kind memory that we could meet you, sir, in March 2022 (subsequently also) with the help of Hon Parliamentary Affairs Minister Shri Pralhad Joshi. At that point of time we were clearly informed that "Pay revision and pension revision cannot go together because pay is paid by BSNL whereas pension is paid by Government from Central budget".

Unfortunately the babus in Sanchar Bhawan stated that "pension revision intrinsically linked to pay revision". We sought legal remedy to get the justified pension revision at par with Central Government pensioners because both are covered under the same rule.

Hon PB, CAT, Delhi gave a judgement in our favour in OA 1329/2020 pronounced on 20/09/2023. The verdict clearly states that absorbed BSNL/MTNL pensioners' pension should be revised at par with Central Government pensioners from 01/01/2017.

Most of the pensioners are 70 plus. The Government led by Shri Narendra Modiji gives utmost priority to the welfare of senior citizens. Keeping the interest of the senior citizens in mind, we request you, sir, to direct the babus sitting in Sanchar Bhawan to revise the pension at par with Central Government pensioners, without any more delay, as directed by Hon PB, CAT, Delhi.

We are willing for a serious, fruitful discussion with the concerned authorities to work-out the modalities of its implementation.

With kind regards

Yours faithfully,

(V Vara Prasad)
General Secretary.