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AIBSNLPWA MEMBERS DONATE RUPEES 1.048 CRORE



### A GRAVE YARD IN SPAIN FOR THE COVID VICTIMS

### **INDIA**

COVID CASES: 17 LAKHS COVID DEATHS: 36551

### **WORLD**

COVID CASES: 178 LAKHS COVID DEATHS: 7 LAKHS



A DEAD BODY IS CREMATED IN MUMBAI

**UNCLAIMED BODIES IN KARNATAKA** 

## BSNL PENSIONERS DONATE

## MORE THAN Rs. ONE CRORE

## TO COMBAT COVID FUND

## DESPITE THE NEGATIVE ATTITUDE OF GOVERNMENT TOWARDS BSNL RETIREES...

Observing widespread pandemic, the CHQ of ALL INDIA BSNL PENSIONERS ASSOCIATION, issued a call on 29-3-2020 to all its members to donate liberally to PMNRF or PM CARE or respective CMDRF to help the Governments combat COVID.

As lock down was clamped, the BSNL Pensioners could not go out of their homes. So they donated their mite to the noble efforts making on-line remittance only.

Govt. has not yet conceded to their demand for Pension Revision due from 2017.

BSNL management has not allotted fund for medical care of the Retirees. BSNL does not listen to the pleas from senior citizens.

An anomaly in pension persists since 2000. CAT order is not honoured. High Court order is not honoured.....

Still, Rs. MORE THAN ONE CRORE donated.

## **AIBSNLPWA HAS DONE IT**

## **Rs. 1.04 CRORE**

## COMBAT COVID FUND OF AIBSNLPWA as on 31-7-2020

ANDHRA	1368702.00
ASSAM	20600.00
BIHAR	160615.00
CHENNAI TD	409660.00
CHHATISGARH	51000.00
DELHI	98500.00
GUJARAT	254350.00
HARYANA	130730.00
JHARKHAND	61600.00
KARNATAKA	2018553.00
KERALA	1476031.00
MAHARASTRA	102500.00
MP	209710.00
ODISHA	156307.00
PUNJAB	252061.00
RAJASTHAN	48901.00
TAMILNADU	2797444.00
TELANGANA	839758.00
UP EAST	7681.00
UP WEST	23000.00
<b>GR. TOTAL</b>	10487703.00

## WE APPRECIATE AND THANK THE NOBLE MINDS AGAIN



Smt. Chhaya Misra, MP Rs. 105000.00





Sri. V Anantham, AP Rs. 103001.00

Sri. A Gunasekaran Chennai Rs. 54000.00



Shri K Murali, TN Rs. 102000.00

Smt. Radha Bai, Bangalore Rs. 50000.00



Sri. L S Potins, KTK Rs. 100000

Smt. Santosh Kumari, Punjab Rs. 50000.00



Smt. Jayben Brahmbhatt Gujarat Rs. 100000.00

Sri. B B Nadagaddi, Karnataka Rs 50,000.00

## WE APPRECIATE AND THANK THE NOBLE MINDS AGAIN

<b>Rs.</b> 50000.00
Rs. 50000.00
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Rs. 45000.00
<b>Rs.</b> 40000.00
Rs. 37500.00
<b>Rs. 36000.00</b>
Rs. 35000.00
Rs. 33333.00
Rs. 31000.00
Rs. 30000.00

## FOLLOWING BRANCHES HAVE REMITTED MORE THAN Rs. ONE LAKH each

Bangalore, Bhavnagar, Bhubaneswar, Bijapur, Calicut, Chennai STR, Chennai TFC, Chennai Villivakkam, Coimbatore, Ernakulam, Guntur, Hubli, HD Kukatpally, HD Saroor Nagar, HD Trimulghery, Madurai, Malappuram, Mangalore, Salem West, Thanjavur, Tirunelveli, Trichur, Trivandrum, Vijayawada, Virudhunagar, Visakhapatnam, Vizianagarm, W.Godavari

## THEN



Mobile Telephony was introduced in India in August, 1995. Pandit Sukhram was Minister for Communications. He declared that mobile telephony is 'value added service' and Dept. of Telecom need not give value added service. Only private operators should give it. DoT disappeared, BSNL appeared in 2000.

Pt Sukhram minted money creating the greatest Indian Telecom Scam. The then main Opposition party, BJP, stalled the Lok Sabha for 13 days over the Scam. After few months we found same BJP and Sukhram joining together to form a government in Himachal. We called it 'politics.' Anything is possible in politics.

Private Telecom companies looted the customers.

In 2002 BSNL was also permitted to enter mobile telephony. BSNL with many controls, visible and invisible, could not compete with the private telcos who captured the market.

All 'pandits' found fault with ordinary employees for the poor performance of BSNL. They praised the private companies for the wonderful performance. They are in deep crisis now.

## **NOW**



Mobile service has become the 'basic' service here. The private operators are the major players now. They are free to import any technology from anywhere, US or UK or France or China even. They are giving 5G now. They are free to borrow money from anywhere. Govt has no problem.

But, BSNL has all restrictions, visible and invisible. Present Minister Sh. Ravishankar Prasad implemented a 'Revival Plan' and sent out 80,000 employees under VRS. They were assured ex gratia in 2 installments. It is paid in three intallments. Still it is not complete. Assurances of the Minister have evaporated in thin air.

Minister declared that BSNL would get 4G spectrum by April 2020. Till today it is not given to BSNL. And, BSNL was asked to cancel its tender because it was on Chinese technology. BSNL should give 4G made in India only. (No such restrictions for private telcos).

After few years, by the time the private companies completely capture the market with 5G, BSNL may be given 4G. As happened in 2002, BSNL will not be able to compete. Another reason to kill this golden goose.



Email dated 21-7-2020

To Member (Finance), Digital Communication Commission, Sanchar Bhavan, New Delhi 110001.

Attn: Shri. S N Mishra, Director, A/c- I,

Sub: Special measures for pensioners - Life Certificate.

Sir.

Kindly refer your letter No. 47/15/TA-II/CPMS/2018/Part-I/1530-60 dated 19-5-2020 addressed to all Pr. CCAs and CCAs on the above subject in which the last date for submission of life certificate by BSNL retirees covered by SAMPANN was fixed as 31st July 2020.

- 2. The CCA offices were directed to conduct video calling to ascertain that pensioners are alive. But this could not be done by CCA offices for want of staff or other reasons.
- 3. It is needless to inform you that the situation all over the country has worsened now. If advisories from some experts like Director of AIIMS, New Delhi are taken, the situation may worsen further in the coming months.
- 4. Due to strict lockdown conditions, the Pensioners cannot go to CCA offices and submit their Life Certificates physically.
- 5. Even to submit Digital Life Certificate a pensioner has to go out to trace some Akshaya Centre with the facility. Most of the Akshaya Centres are nonfunctional now.
- 6. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has directed the elderly persons not to go out stating "Elderly people are at a higher risk of COVID-19 infection due to their decreased immunity and body reserves, as well as multiple associated comorbidities like diabetes, hypertension, chronic kidney disease and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease".

Therefore, In the existing alarming situation, we request you to kindly issue necessary instructions

- a) extending the last date for submission of LC until normalcy is restored.
- b) directing the CCA offices to use video calling facility to the extent possible and save pensioners, the elderly persons, from the risk.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

Our request is accepted. Order issued. See in next page

P. Gangadhara Rao,

### भारत सरकार /GOVERNMENT OF INDIA संचारमंत्रालय/ MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS दूरसंचारविभाग/ DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS 20- अशोकारोड, संचारभवन/20, ASHOKA ROAD, SANCHAR BHAWAN नईदिल्ली-110001/ NEW DELHI-110001

No. 47-15/TA-II/CPMS/20158/Part-I /2059-86

Dated: 23/07/2020

To,

All Pr. CCAs/CCAs

Sub: Special measure for pensioners- Life Certificate.

Ref: Letter No 47-15/TA-II/CPMS/2018/Part-I/1530-60 dated 19.05.2020

Sir/Madam,

Vide letter under reference, relaxation in submission of Life certificate for Telecom Pensioners whose LC was expiring till 31<sup>st</sup> May 2020 was given for payment of pension till June 2020.

A review of progress in submission of Life Certificate (LC/DLC) has been done. Considering the situation of lockdown/ containment zone across various states and apprehending the difficulties faced by pensioners in submitting the Life Certificates and taking the vulnerability to COVID 19 into consideration, in continuation with previous orders, as a special measure for pensioners whose LC has expired in June 2020 (including pensioners whose LCs expiry date has been relaxed as per earlier order) and those whose LC is expiring in July 2020 (pension not payable in August),

 Their pension be paid till month of August 2020 and their LC has to be submitted before 30th September 2020 failing which pension shall be stopped.

Pensioners must also be informed of the same by SMS and the initiative of CCA offices.

 General awareness by means of SMS regarding forums where LC/DLC can be generated- CSC/Aadhar Centers/ CCA offices/ Post Offices / Banks etc- be spread along with emphasis on prompt reporting of death of pensioner/family pensioner.

This issues with the approval of Member(Finance).

(Shankara Nand Mishra)

Director (DFU &Accounts-I)

Tel: 011-23036511 Email: div.dfu-dot@gov.in



#### PROVISIONAL RELEASE OF RETIREMENT BENEFITS

DoP&PW OM No.12/9/2020-P&PW(C)-6450 Dated: 17<sup>th</sup> July, 2020

Subject: - Provisional release of retirement benefits as per Rule 64 of CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972 during Covid Pandemic time.

The undersigned is directed to say that in view of the unprecedented situation which has arisen due to the outbreak of COVID-19, there may be cases where the processing of pension case of a retiring Government servant gets delayed due to various factors. A Government servant may find difficulty in submission of his pension Forms (Form 5, Form 3, etc.) to the Head of Office (HOO) or the Head of Office (HOO) may not be able to forward the claim form in hard copy along with service book to the concerned Pay & Accounts office in time, particularly when both the offices are located in different cities. There may also be cases where the Pay & Accounts Office is not able to process the case for authorization of pension before the retirement of the Government servant.

- 2. Rule 64 of the CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972 provides for sanction of provisional pension and provisional gratuity in cases where a Government servant is likely to retire before finalization of his pension and gratuity. In order to ensure timely payment of pension and retirement gratuity on retirement of a Government servant, wherever a Government servant is likely to retire before finalization of his pensionary benefits, the Head of Office may rely upon the information as available in the official records and take action to sanction provisional pension and provisional gratuity, with the approval of the Head of Department. The provisional pension and provisional gratuity may be sanctioned in those cases also, where retiring Government servant is unable to submit the pension claim Forms for any reason. In cases where it is not possible to verify the entire length of qualifying service immediately, provisional gratuity may be sanctioned in respect of the verified continuous spell of service immediately preceding the date of retirement. A copy of the draft letter for sanction of provisional pension and provisional gratuity is enclosed.
- 3. The Pay & Accounts Office shall consider the case on the basis of details of last emoluments and length of qualifying service indicated by the Head of Office and release the provisional pension and provisional gratuity in the same manner as pay and allowances of the establishment are paid. The Pay & Accounts Office shall not insist for complete documents of the case, including service book, at the stage of release of provisional pension and provisional gratuity.
- 4. These instructions shall also be applicable in cases where the Government servant retires otherwise than on superannuation, i.e. voluntary retirement, retirement under FR 56, etc.

- 5. In cases where the amount of provisional pension is later found to be in excess of the final pension, the excess amount of pension may be adjusted in the manner indicated in Rule 64 of CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972.
- 6. The payment of provisional pension sanctioned in accordance with para 2 above, may initially continue for a period not exceeding six months from the date of retirement. The period of provisional pension may be further extended, in exceptional cases, with the concurrence of PAO and after approval by the Head of Department. However, the total period of provisional pension shall, in no case, be more than one year from the date of retirement.
- 7. The date from which the final pension shall be commenced by the Pension Disbursing Authority(PDA), may be indicated by the Pay & Accounts Office in the PPO. The date for commencement of final pension by the PDA shall be at least two months after the date of issue of the PPO, taking into consideration the time likely to be taken by CPAO and CPPC to process the pension case. Pay & Accounts Office shall record a note in the PPO, as mentioned below, while authorizing the final pension.

"Provisional pension has been/shall be	paid by the office for the period from ——
•	plus DA. The payment of final pension
shall commence from the bank w.e.f	

The payment of provisional pension shall, accordingly, continue from the office till the date mentioned in the PPO for commencement of final pension by the PDA so that there is no gap between the date upto which the provisional pension is to be paid and the date of commencement of final pension by the PDA.

- 8. The instructions in this OM, in so far as they are at variance with the provisions of rule 64, shall be applicable till the work in offices is affected due to the outbreak of COVID-19. These instructions would be reviewed by this Department after normalcy is restored. The provisions of Rule 64 of the CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972 shall stand relaxed to the extent indicated above.
- 9. The Administrative Divisions of all Ministries/Department and attached/subordinate offices are requested to bring these instructions to the notice of all concerned for compliance.

This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

(Rajesh Kumar)
Under Secretary to the Government of India

- 1. All the Ministries/ Department, Government of India
- 2. All Officers/Desks of the department



## CONSOLIDATED INSTRUCTIONS FOR PENSION DISBURSING AUTHORITIES TO ENSURE SMOOTH PAYMENT OF PENSION/FAMILY PENSION TO PENSIONERS/FAMILY PENSIONERS

DOT OM No.36-02/2020-Pen(T) dated 29-5-2020

The undersigned is directed to circulate DOP&PW's OM No.12/4/2020-P&PW(C)-6300 dated 15.05.2020, on the above mentioned subject, for implementation and necessary action.

#### DoP&PW OM No. 12/4/2020-P&PW(C)-6300 dated 15-5-2020

Subject: Consolidated instructions for Pension Disbursing Authorities to ensure smooth payment of pension/family pension to pensioners and family pensioners.

On an analysis of the grievances received in this Department, it has been observed that updated and consolidated instructions will help improve the processing of Pensioner's requests by banks and others. Hence, an attempt has been made herein, to consolidate relevant instructions issued by Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare from time to time with regard to disbursement of pension and family pension. The Banks are adopting different procedures, while releasing pension/ family pension or seeking declarations/ certificates from pensioners / family pensioners at different periodicity. Therefore, the following consolidated guidelines are being issued with an objective to create awareness among CPPCs/ bank branches on updated rules and instructions in this regard—

## Requirement of pensioners to be present in person before paying bank branch for credit of first pension:

The pensioner is no longer required to visit bank in person for credit of his first pension. The undertaking with regard to recovery of overpayment from pensioner is forwarded to concerned bank CPPC through CPAO along with the PPO. Bank will not insist for the presence of pensioner in order to activate their pension account. (DoPPW's OM No. 1127/2011-P&PW dated 7<sup>th</sup>may 2014)

#### Requirement of family pensioner to submit form 14:

On death of a pensioner, the spouse is not required to submit form 14, if he/she was having a joint account with the pensioner and authorisation for payment of family pension

exists in the Pension Payment Order (PPO) in his/her favour. In such cases, spouse will be required to provide only a copy of the death certificate to the pension paying branch in order to commence his/her family pension. Pension disbursing bank will identify the family pensioners based on the information furnished in PPO and its own Know Your Customer procedure without insisting him/her to physically present himself/herself in the paying bank.(DoPPW's OM No. 1/27/2011-P&PW dated 20th September 2013)

#### <u>Insisting spouse to open separate bank account for getting family pension</u>

Banks will not insist for opening a new account when the spouse was having a joint account with the pensioner and authorisation for payment of family pension exists in the Pension Payment Order (PPO) in his/her favour. (RBI Circular-Disbursement of Government Pension by Agency Banks dated September 9, 2019)

#### Submission of declaration for takin up commercial employment after retirement:

This declaration is required from pensioners who have retired from Group 'A' services/ posts. This declaration is required only in the first year after retirement of a Group A officer. Therefore, this declaration may not be sought from the pensioner after expiry of one year from the date of retirement. If a pensioner declares that he has taken up commercial employment within one year from the date of retirement without obtaining permission of Government, Pension disbursing bank will seek the orders of the Government through the CPAO before making further pension payments. However, if a pensioner declares that he has taken up commercial employment within one year after retirement with the permission of the Government, Pension disbursing bank will continue to pay his /her pension. (Rule 10 of CCS Pension Rule).

#### **Submission of re-employment certificate:**

A pensioner is required to furnish a re-employment declaration once in a year i.e. in the month of November every year. If a pensioner declares that he is re-employed under the Central or State Government, or a Corporation/ Company/ Body/ Bank under them, the element of dearness relief during the period of re-employment may not be credited by the bank during the period of such reemployment. However, if a pensioner declares about his re-employment and also states that in accordance with the relevant rules/instructions, entire amount of his/her pension has been ignored while fixing his/her pay in the re-employment post, he will continue to be eligible to draw dearness relief along with pension. If a pensioner fails to submit requisite declaration in the month of November, the element of dearness relief on his monthly pension may not be credited by the bank and he may be paid pension excluding the dearness relief. Employment/re-employment of spouse does not affect his/her family pension. Therefore, Dearness Relief will continue to be paid with family pension to the spouse who is employed/re-employed in the aforesaid organizations. ( Rule 55 of CCS Pension Rules, 1972 ).

#### **Submission of non-earning certificate:**

A family pensioner, other than spouse, has to submit a declaration of non-earning his/her livelihood every year in the month of November. As per rule 54(6) of CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972, family pension is allowed to a son, daughter, disabled sibling or parents of a deceased pensioner or a deceased Government servant until he/she starts earning his/her livelihood. This declaration is, however, not required from the spouse for continuing his/her family pension. (Rule 54(6) of CCS Pension Rules).

#### **Submission of declaration of marriage:**

A family pensioner, other than spouse, has to submit a declaration of non-marriage/non re-marriage every six months. The family pension is discontinued if she/he gets married/re-married. If the spouse is a recipient of family pension, no certificate of remarriage is required to be furnished by him/her. At the time of commencement of family pension, an undertaking will be obtained from him/her to the effect that in the event of his/her remarriage, he/she will report the fact to the pension disbursing bank promptly. However childless widow of deceased Government servant and disabled child of a pensioner/Government servant will continue to get family pension even if they get married/re-married. (Rule 54(6) of CCS (PENSION) RULES, 1972)

#### **Submission of life certificate:**

Life certificate has to be submitted by every pensioner/family pensioners in the month of November every year. Pension Disbursing bank will also accept Aadhar enabled Digital Life Certificate "Jeevan Pramaan". Old aged pensioners who are 80 years and above can submit life certificate in the month of October also.( DoP&PW OM No. 1/20/2018 P&PW (E) Dated 18.07.2019)

#### **Submission of disability certificate:**

If family pension has been sanctioned to a disabled child and the disability is temporary, the guardian of such disabled child shall produce disability certificate once in every 5 years to the effect that he/she continues to suffer from such disorder /disability in order to continue family pension. No fresh certificate of disability would be required in the case of a child with permanent disability. A disabled child will also be required to self-certify every year that he/she has not started earning his/her livelihood (Rule 54(6) of CCS Pension Rule, 1972)

#### Restoration of commuted portion of pension:

Restoration of commuted portion of pension after 15 years is to be made automatically by bank. Pensioner will not be asked to make application for restoration of commuted portion of pension. In cases where the date of commutation is not readily available in the PPO, the bank will obtain the information from the Accounts Officer who issued the PPO through Central Pension Accounting Office before restoring the commuted portion of

pension. The amount of commuted pension will not be deducted from family pension. { Rule 10 of CCS (Commutation of Pension) Rules, 1981 }

#### Additional amount of pension on attaining the age of 80 years and above:

The additional quantum of pension/family pension will be paid on attaining the age 80 years and above. Additional pension is paid from the first day of the month in which a pensioner/family pensioner completes the age of 80 years and above. For example, if a pensioner 'family pensioner completes the age of 80 years in the month of August, 2020, he will be paid additional pension/family pension from 1st day of the month of August, 2020. Bank will not insist for any request/application from pensioners /family pensioners in order to pay additional pension to them.

The quantum of additional pension/family pension to the pensioners/family pensioners is as follows:

Age of Pensioner	Additional quantum of Pension
From 80 years to less than 85 years	20% of basic pension
From 85 years to less than 90 years	30% of basic pension
From 90 years to less than 95 years	40% of basic pension
From 95 years to less than 100 years	50% of basic pension
100 years or more	100% of basic pension

(DoP&PW0M No. dated 38137108 P&PW dated 2 ndSeptember & 3 rdOctober 2008)

#### Obtaining of Life Certificate from the doorstep of the pensioners:

The Department has issued directions to all the Pension Disbursing Banks to send SMSs/Emails to all their pensioners on 24<sup>th</sup> October, 1 <sup>st</sup> November, 15<sup>th</sup> November and 25<sup>th</sup> November every year reminding them to submit their Annual Life Certificates by 30<sup>th</sup> November. The Department directed all Pension Disbursing Banks to make an exception list as on 1 <sup>st</sup> December every year of those pensioners who fail to submit their Life Certificate and issue another SMS/Email to them for submitting the Life Certificate. The bank in addition will also ask such pensioners through SMS/Email as to whether they are interested in submission of Life Certificate through a chargeable door-step service, on a nominal charge not exceeding Rs. 60/-.

(DoP&PW Circular No. 12/4/2020-P&PW(C)-6300 dated 17.01.2020).

All banks are advised to comply with the above instructions and to give wide publicity by putting up these instructions on their websites and also on the notice boards of the branches of the bank etc.

This issues with the approval of the competent authority.



## CONTRIBUTION TO CGHS THROUGH BHARATKOSH PORTAL

Min. Of Health & Family Welfare
Directorate General of CGHS
OM F.No 1-030/2020/ CGHS /AD(HQ)/027 /DIR/CGHS
dated 21, July 2020

With reference to the above mentioned subject and in compliance of the directives of Ministry of Finance that all types of Non-Tax Receipts are to be brought under NTR Portal https://bharatkosh.gov.in/, the undersigned is directed to state that CGHS contribution by Central Government pensioners for making CGHS cards shall hereinafter be deposited through Bharatkosh Portal. The steps to be followed by Pensioners submitting CGHS contribution through Bharatkoshportal are enumerated as under for their convenience: (Beneficiaries are also advised to peruse the "FAQs" on Bharatkosh portal before making the payment through Bharatkosh).

Before making payment online, the applicant shall confirm from the Office of Additional Director, CGHS regarding eligibility for CGHS facility and the subscription to be made.

- 1. Beneficiary may login using URL is https://bharatkosh.gov.in/, preferably using Internet Explorer as the web browser.
- 2. Beneficiary can login in 02 ways:
- a. As "Registered User" may register himself/herselfby creating a user ID and password and entering his/her details including mobile number and email ID. Once user ID and password are registered, he/she can login using the same.
- b. Alternatively, the option of "Non-Registered User" may be used and accordingly may click on the relevant button

Either way, the payment Modules shall open.

- 3. Under "Payment purpose" the following fields are to be filled:
  - a. Depositor's category: kindly choose Individual
- b. Purpose: Please clicK on search icon to reach the "Search Purpose" window. In the window that opens selectand click "Health and Family Welfare" from the drop down menu under "Ministry".
- c. In the "Purpose" window please type "Pensioner" and select the relevant City from the choices seen. Then click the Blue "Search" button to display the "Purpose", "Payment Type" and "Function Head".

d. Click on the link "Pensioner Contribution for CGHS Card" written in blue, to open the next window, where the beneficiary shall select the correct Drawing Disbursing Office (DDO)of the CGHS City from drop down.

Beneficiaries are advised to carefully choose the "Purpose" and "DDO" corresponding to the city where they are to be registered as CGHS beneficiaries, to avoid inconvenience.

- e. Next step is that the beneficiary will fill in the "amount" and "Payment frequency period" (if any).
- f. Under "Remarks" the beneficiary should enter <u>Pension Payment Order (PPO)</u> number (in case of <u>all new CGHS pensioner cards), Token number (generated in case of new card applied on- line)</u>, P/J/Ex MP (i.e, Pensioner/accredited Journalist/Ex MP). Then he may click on "add".
- g. in the next window, enter the name of beneficiary and other details of Individual -please remember that dot (.) or dash (-) or any special character is NOT accepted. Verify and "Save" Depositor details and then click "Confirm".
  - h. In the window that opens choose the payment modality "Online"

The Internet Banking Debit and Credit Cards based on integration available from respective resource may be utilized.

The depositor can use NEFT/RTGS mode for depositing the Challan. The Challan (GAR-7)/ Deposit slip can be generated and amount can be remitted to designated bank by intra-bank transfer or using NEFT/RTGS using the format generated by NTRP system. Fill in your details and enter OTP received on your email/Mobile and click verify. At the very right side you will see a column named as "Enter UTR NO." Click on the hyperlink and enter UTR No. provided by the Bank and wait until it gets verified.

- i. After successful payment, <u>both receipt and challan</u> generated on-line through Bharatkosh and shall be saved by the beneficiary as proof of payment. They have to be submitted to the office of Addl. Director, CGHS along with relevant documents for issue of CGHS Card
- 4. The Helpline number (011-24665534) and email ID (ntrp-helpdesk@gov.in) may be accessed in case of further difficulty on the portal.



## **VRS PENSIONERS**

## ePPOs issued to VRS optees are irregular and violation of rules

CHQ letter dated 29-7-2020

To Shri P.K.Sinha, Member (F), DoT, Sanchar Bhawan, 20, Asoka Road, New Delhi-110001

Sir

Sub: <u>Discrepancies in EPPOs – Request intervention</u>

After introduction of 'Sampann' PCCAs/CCAs are directly crediting the retirement benefits to the pensioner's bank account and issuing 'e-ppos'. We came across certain discrepancies in those e-ppos and we request you to take necessary corrective steps in this regard.

- 1. As per form CAM-52 (Para 7.3.2) Rubber stamp of the Office issuing the PPO should be affixed. But the copies of e-ppo received by the pensioners through post did not have the rubber stamp.
- 2. Part II, Section 2 deals with 'Details of pension'. In this section point 3 mentions "Rules under which sanctioned". Against this column for VRS-2019 retirees it is mentioned as "BSNL VRS 2019" and for superannuation retirees it is mentioned as "Rule 35". Here we would like to point out that there is no rule as "BSNL VRS 2019" and though Rule 35 is for superannuation it is not applicable to 'combined service optees'. Rule 37-A of CCS (Pension) Rules 1972 is only relevant for both the cases. Accordingly it needs modification.
- 3. Part II. Section 3 deals with details of family pension payable on the death of the pensioner. Under this, column 1 states "Rules under which family pension is admissible" which is left blank. Here Rule 54 of CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972 should have been mentioned.

4. In para 6.2 (b) (iii) of BSNL VRS scheme, it was mentioned that for deferred payment of gratuity, simple interest on par with GPF interest from the date of voluntary retirement till the date of release shall be paid. But part I (of e-ppo) column 15 mentions only the actual amount of eligible gratuity without mentioning the interest thereon. It should have been mentioned.

For your kind perusal we herewith attach two copies of e-ppo (one VRS-2019 and another superannuation case) issued by PCCA, Tamilnadu.

We request you to take necessary steps for giving suitable instructions to PCCAs/ CCAs to issue necessary corrigendum and issue e-ppos in future without those lapses. It would avoid future confusions which may arise after some decades.

A line of reply is solicited.

Thanking you

Yours faithfull

General Secretary

Copy to

Controller General of Communications Accounts,

New Delhi.

### **PENSION ANOMALY CASE:**

The CAT, Principal Bench, New Delhi gave its verdict on 16-12-2016. Three months' time was given to DoT to issue orders. DoT delayed the matter a lot and then filed an Appeal in Delhi High Court. The High Court rejected the Appeal on 24-1-2020 and directed the DoT to implement CAT order within 8 weeks. But, DOT officers have not yet honoured the High Court order also. Half of beneficiaries have already left this world without getting justice. Remaining are all senior citizens of 80 years. We have no other way but to file Contempt of Court Petition. We are moving in that direction.

## 20, AUGUST

AIBSNLPWA was formed on 20th August 2009 in the national convention held at Tambaram, Tamilnadu. We started with zero membership. Today when we complete 11 years our life membership itself is 53000. Till March 2020, we published 44068 names of life members. Some branches have not yet sent the list despite repeated requests. Since the journal could not be published in lockdown condition, we keep new names in waiting list. As on 31st July 2020, we have 8421 names of life numbers to be published. Please see the entire list of 8421 names in CHQ Website.

Comrades, we started with zero funds. Karnataka comrades gave Rs. 10000 as advance Quota. Delhi comrades gave another Rs. 5000. Delegates to the national convention gave about Rs 4000 on the spot. Reception Committee for the Tambaram convention made over entire balance with them to new the organization.

## That was the great enthusiasm.

Today after 11 years, we have Fixed Deposit of Rupees Two crores. We are keeping it safe in FDs. It has been decided to run the organization and publish the journal with the interest accrued. As Government is reducing the rate of interest on FDs income will be less in future. But, we have full faith in our membership. We shall not waste a single paisa. It is the hard earned money of pensioners. We are transparent in financial matters. It is our commitment, our culture and our spolicy.

We wish to celebrate the Formation Day. But the present situation does not permit it. Instead, let us take a pledge that we shall continue our efforts with added enthusiasm unitedly.

P S Ramankutty, President

P Gangadhara Rao, GS