ALL INDIA BSNL PENSIONERS' WELFARE ASSOCIATION [CHQ]

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To Shri Neeraj Mittal IAS, Secretary, Department of Telecom, Sanchar Bhawan, New Delhi-110001

Respected Sir,

Sub: Pension Revision of BSNL/MTNL pensioners

on the basis of 7th CPC fitment factor w.e.f. 01-01-2017 —

request to honour PB, CAT, Delhi Judgement in

OA No.1329/2020 dated 20/09/2023.

We are the largest pensioners' organization in Telecom. On behalf of nearly 85,000 pensioners we welcome you, sir as Telecom Secretary.

We have been demanding the pension revision of absorbed BSNL pensioners at par with Central Government pensioners since we are also covered under CCS (Pension) Rules and 100% liability of paying pension/family pension lies with Government of India.

DoT officers took a stand that pension revision is possible only after pay revision in BSNL. Because of financial non-viability pay revision in BSNL is impossible. For more than three years, on number of occasions, we discussed the issue with top officers in DOT, explained the legal aspects of the matter, but, they could not be convinced of. So, we were forced to seek legal remedy.

We filed the case in September 2020 and got the judgement in September 2023. Copy of the judgement is attached for your perusal.

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Hon PB, CAT, Delhi unambiguously declared that absorbed BSNL pensioners should be treated at par with Central Government pensioners and revise the pension/family pension in accordance with pay commission as per the rules and directed the respondents to implement the judgement within 10 weeks.

Most of the pensioners have crossed the age of 70 and all are waiting for the pension revision for more than 6 years. We earnestly appeal to you, sir, to take a positive decision in this regard to implement the judgement without preferring an appeal.

We are willing for a discussion with you, sir, at your convenient time, about implementation of the judgement in the interest of lakhs of pensioners. It will pave the way for an amicable settlement.

A line in reply is highly solicited.

With Greetings,

Yours faithfully,

(V. Vara Prasad),

General Secretary