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Dear Sir,

**Subject: Request for Inclusion of BSNL/MTNL Pensioners in the 8th CPC Terms of Reference**

We seek your kind help in ensuring that the pension revision of BSNL/MTNL retirees, who were absorbed from the Department of Telecommunications and opted for a government pension based on combined service (which was the only option for these pensioners as 01-10-2000), is included in the Terms of Reference of the 8th CPC.

**"To examine the principles which should govern the structure of pension and other retirement benefits, including revision of pension in the case of employees who are getting pension on IDA from Central Civil Estimate and covered under CCS (Pension) Rules, 2021".**

The justification for our request is as follows:

1. These pensioners are governed by **CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972 (now 2021)**.
2. The quantum of pension, gratuity (as per Rule 51(5) and commutation is as per CCS (Pension) Rules
3. Explanation under sub-rule 8 of Rule 37-A of CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972 states "*The amount of pension or family pension in respect of the absorbed employees on retirement from the Public Sector Undertaking or on death shall*

*be calculated in the same way as calculated in the case of a Central Government servant retiring or dying, on the same day"*

4. Sub-rule 9 of Rule 37-A of CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972 states "*pension shall be calculated on the basis of IDA pay drawn in PSU*"
5. 100% Liability of paying pension and family pension lies with Gol as per sub-rule 22 of Rule 37-A of CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972
6. As per sub-rule 23 of Rule 37-A of CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972 BSNL/MTNL paid pension contribution to Government, at the maximum of the scale and not even on actual pay
7. Pension and family pension are paid from the **Central Civil Estimate**.
8. Pension and family pension is paid in accordance with Rule 37-A of CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972 (now 2021)
9. Pensioners are entitled to **CGHS benefits**, similar to Central Government retirees.
10. Most of the recommendations of 6<sup>th</sup>& 7<sup>th</sup> CPC were implemented to them viz.
  - a) Enhanced family pension
  - b) age-related additional pension etc.

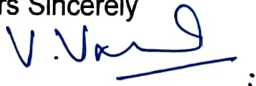
In effect, they are BSNL/MTNL retirees but Central Government pensioners.

It may be noted that All absorbed employees will retire by 2026 or early 2027.

May we request you, sir, to convince the authorities concerned to include our pension/pension revision in 8<sup>th</sup> CPC Terms of reference.

With warm regards,

Yours Sincerely



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General Secretary