



# ALL INDIA BSNL PENSIONERS' WELFARE ASSOCIATION

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To

Sh. Ravi Shankar Prasad, Hon'ble MoC, New Delhi.

Respected Sir,

This is a passionate prayer for justice.

BSNL introduced BSNLMRS in 2003 to ensure proper healthcare to its serving and retired employees alike. All the orders issued by BSNL since then ensured equal treatment to serving and retired staff. Time and again, the Corporate Office directed field offices to settle medical claims from pensioners promptly. Though many of such instructions remained only on paper there was no discrimination between serving and retired staff in this regard.

Surprisingly, in the present critical pandemic situation, when elderly people are vulnerable to the deadly disease, the BSNL CO has issued instructions on 29-4-2021 and 3-5-2021 to ensure Covid treatment only to serving staff, totally neglecting the retirees who shed their blood, sweat and tears for development of Indian telecom infrastructure.

While medical bills from Pensioners are pending for three years, it is being paid to the serving staff. The assured medical allowance to pensioners is not paid after March 2018. Fund is allotted to make advanced payment for Covid treatment in the case of serving staff while the retirees are totally neglected in the matter.

BSNL Management violates the policy of the Government by naked discrimination against elderly people.

BSNL pensioners in large number are infected by Covid, few hundred lost life also. Infected cannot take proper treatment for want of funds. Even hospitals empanelled for cashless treatment demand advance payment.

Retirees suffer from frailty, mental tension and financial problems due to inhuman attitude of BSNL management who are benevolent to sanction sufficient fund for serving officers and staff.

Sir, we pray for your compassion, we pray for your immediate intervention to end the inhuman discrimination meted out to BSNL retirees.

Yours faithfully,

  
P. Gangadhara Rao, \*\*  
General Secretary.