



ALL INDIA BSNL DOT PENSIONERS ASSOCIATION

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To

**All CHQ Office Bearers/Circle Secretaries
District Secretaries and Affiliates**

Dear Comrade,

Central Executive Committee meeting at Jamnagar.

The Central Executive Committee meeting of All India BSNL DOT Pensioners Association has been held most successfully at Jamnagar, Gujarat on 28th & 29th April, 2015. The CEC started with an impressive procession on the streets of the historical city, Jamnagar, participated by the CEC members and the comrades drawn from nearer districts. The Open Session started at 1100 a.m. on 28th April with Com A K Bhattacharjee, President in the chair. Com K G Jayaraj, General Secretary, inaugurated the Open Session. Shri Karnal Kapoor, Joint CCA, Gujarat was the chief guest. Com A C Shah, veteran leader and patron, Gujarat Circle and Shri M M Kahane, DGM, Jamnagar addressed. Com Trivedi, Circle President, BSNLEU welcomed and Com M B Chaniyara, Convener, Reception Committee, proposed vote of thanks.

The Subject Session started at 2.30 p.m. on 28th April was inaugurated by Com V A N Namboodiri, Advisor, AIBDPA under the president ship of Com A K Bhattacharjee, President. Com K G Jayaraj, General Secretary and Com M P Kunhanandan, Treasurer, presented the report of activities and the accounts for the years 2013-14 and 2014-15 respectively. In the series discussion that followed, all the Circle Secretaries and Office bearers participated which continued upto 8.30 p.m. The CEC resumed at 9.30 a.m. on 29th April and Com K G Jayaraj, GS replied to the discussion and proposed agitational programme on important issues after which the report and accounts were adopted unanimously.

Thereafter the CEC took the following decisions.

(1) *Donation to Nepal Relief Fund.*

In the worst earthquake that devastated Nepal, thousands of valuable lives were lost. Irreparable damage of properties, collapse of buildings including heritage memorials have made Nepal weeping. The earthquake also hit some of the States of India viz., Bihar, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal. It is our bounden duty to extend all possible help to the people in distress and called upon all its branches to collect donations and sent to the Relief Fund by the District Branches to avoid delay. The address is given below:

The Prime Ministers Nepal Relief Fund,
O/o Prime Minister,
Govt. of India, South Block,
New Delhi – 110 001

(2) *All the pending issues confronting the pensioners were discussed and decided to launch another two phased agitational programmes on the two burning issues.*

- a) Issue immediate orders extending the benefit of 78.2% IDA fixation to those retired BSNL pensioners before 10.06.2013.
- b) Restore immediately the quarterly medical allowance to BSNL pensioners.

The CEC decided the following programmes.

- 1) Post Card Campaign during 3rd week of May, 2015. Hand written post cards may be obtained from all the members and sent to the Prime Minister.

Matter to be written in the Post Card

Respected Sir,

I request your kind and early intervention for the settlement of the following long pending burning issues of BSNL pensioners.

- a) The benefit of 78.2% IDA merger granted to BSNL employees and to those retired after 10.06.2013, be extended to BSNL pensioners retired before 10.06.2013.
- b) The quarterly medical allowance stopped unilaterally be restored to the BSNL pensioners.

Address of Prime Minister

*Shri Narendra Modi
Hon'ble Prime Minister
Govt of India, South Block,
New Delhi 110 001*

- 2) Two days Relay Hunger Fast on 21st & 22nd July before all the CCA Offices.

The CEC decided to hold the next triennial conference in Andhra Pradesh which is due in February, 2016.

The CEC adopted resolutions on all the issues and also thanking the Reception Committee for the excellent arrangements which made the Jamnagar CEC historical and memorable. The CEC came to an end with an inspiring concluding remarks by Com A K Bhattacharjee, President at 12.30 p.m. on 29th May, 2015.

Forum Leaders' discussion on strike issues with Secretary, DOT.

Either the Minister of Communications or the Secretary, DOT did not find time to have a discussion on the strike issues before the two days strike on April 21 & 22, 2015, though the notice for the strike was served well in advance by the Forum of BSNL Unions/Associations. However, a discussion was held on 01.05.2015 by the Forum leaders and the Secretary, DOT in which most of the important issues were deliberated. Regarding refund of BWA spectrum charges and USO fund to BSNL, the authority agreed to refund a portion of the same to BSNL without much delay.

78.2% IDA Merger to BSNL Pensioners.

The Forum leaders strongly protested in the inordinate delay in finalizing the Cabinet Note on extending the benefit of 78.2% IDA merger to those retired before 10.06.2013. The Secretary, DOT has given the assurance that the Cabinet Note will be finalized soon and sent to the nodal departments.

The assurances are not new but this time it is given to the Forum and may be honoured. However, it is our experience that for each and every initiative by the administration, interventions and pressure are required. So we have to conduct the two phases programme of agitation with maximum involvement of the pensioners.

National Executive of NCCPA

The National Executive of NCCPA was held at New Delhi on 27.04.2015. Com. V.A.N. Namboodiri, Advisor attended on behalf of AIBDPA. The meeting has decided that Com Pabitra Chakraborty, Dy Secretary General should continue as Acting Secretary General upto the next Conference. The Executive also decided to hold the next conference in November, 2015 at Kolkata. The postponed National Convention of Pensioners Organisations will now be held at Hyderabad in July, 2015.

Postal Strike Deferred.

The indefinite strike of Postal employees from 6th May, 2015 against privatization has been deferred consequent on assurances given by the Communication Minister in the discussion held on 5th May, 2015.

Parliament March of Central Government employees.

The central government employees belonging to the JCM staff side unions held a mammoth Parliament march on 28.04.2015 demanding merger of DA and other vital issues. The unions have decided for an indefinite strike from 23rd November, 2015 against the lukewarm approach of the central government towards the genuine issues.

Tele Pensioner

As already been intimated in the earlier circular, many of the subscriptions stands expired and despite of this, CHQ continued to send the Tele Pensioner with the hope that they will renew the subscription soon. However, CHQ will be forced to discontinue sending the journal to these subscribers from April-June issue, as the expenditure incurred in this regard can not be afforded any more.

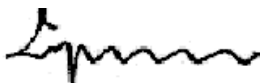
Dear Comrades,

Kindly strengthen the organization at all levels and come up with initiatives to implement the decisions of the CEC successfully and the report sent to CHQ.

With revolutionary greetings.

Thanking you,

Yours Fraternally,



K G Jayaraj
General Secretary