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To

Ms. Anuradha Mitra,
Member (Finance),
Department of Telecommunications,
Sanchar Bhawan,
New Delhi-110001

Madam,

Sub: - **Undue delay in issuing revised PPOs on 78.2% IDA fixation - urgent intervention sought-reg.**

On behalf of All India BSNL DOT Pensioners Association, let me, first of all, convey our hearty congratulations and best wishes to you on assuming charge of the coveted post of Member (Service).

As you may be aware of, the process of issuing revised pension payment orders on 78.2% IDA merger to the pensioners and family pensioners retired before 10-06-2013 was to be completed before 31.12.2016, as per the orders issued in this regard. We had brought to the notice of the then Member (Finance), that the work on this issue is going on in a very slow pace in most of the circles and is sure to miss the target date according to the feedback we got from various circles, and so had sought his intervention through our letter and repeated discussions. It was a little bit late he collected the data on the issue and issued a DO letter No.7-1/2013/TA-1/17/PL dated 07-03-2017, fixing revised targets for the completion of the work; viz for pre 2007-31-03-2017 and for post 2007-10-04-2017.

But, Madam, it is very unfortunate and disappointing, that in many circles 20% to 50% cases are still pending due to various reasons. The main reason attributed to the delay by the CCAs is shortage of staff. In certain circles like Kerala, on our initiative, voluntary services of retired officials were extended and a proper plan to complete the process was evolved. But this was derailed due to the shifting/deputation of the Accounts Officer in charge and the CCA going on leave. According to information collected by this Association, we have to focus on Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Rajasthan, Punjab, Tamil Nadu, West Bengal and Kolkata Telephones.

HONORARIUM TO BE REVISED.

The existing staff in CCA offices are complaining about the heavy work load and the honorarium for the extra work being done is limited to a meager Rs.2500 per annum, which was fixed many years ago. It needs to be enhanced reasonably, particularly in the wake of implementation of 7th Pay Commission recommendations. Now, another work on Option 3 is also to be done by them. Further, GPF advance payment to BSNL employees is taken over by the DoT. So we would request you to explore the possibility of getting some additional staff according to acute requirement by deputation etc.

So, Madam, we seek your kind and effective intervention to complete the work on 78.2% IDA fixation without any further delay. The pensioners have waited for a long four years to get the benefit and some of them have already passed away before availing the benefit. The remaining pensioners who are yet to get the benefit have naturally become restive and agitating and this association may be compelled to resort to agitational programme , if not settled early.

Thanking you,
Yours faithfully

K.G.Jayaraj
General Secretary.