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To,

**Shri. Ravi Shankar Prasad,
Hon'ble Minister for Communications,
Sanchar Bhawan, 20, Asoka Road
New Delhi-110001.**

Respected Sir,

Sub: - Pension Revision of BSNL retirees from 01-01-2017 with 15% fitment delinking wage Revision in BSNL-request for intervention for early settlement- req.

On behalf of All India BSNL DOT Pensioners Association, let me first of all, congratulate you for assuming charge as the Minister of Communications and wish you all the best in resolving the core issues in the telecom sector. We thankfully remember your prompt and effective intervention in the settlement of two burning issues of the BSNL pensioners; 78.2% IDA fixation and annulment of 60:40 condition, after our meeting with you on 09-03-2016 along with Shri.M B Rajesh M P.

Now also Sir, another important issue of the BSNL pensioners, pension revision due from 01-01-2017, is pending for settlement. As you are aware, pension revision to BSNL pensioners retired before 01-01-2007 was revised with the maximum 30% fitment recommended for the executives of PSUs by the 2nd PRC. The 3rd PRC has recommended a maximum 15% fitment for the pay revision of executives in the PSUs with effect from 01-01-2017 but with certain conditions. However pay revision in BSNL is being delayed mainly due to the affordability conditions stipulated by the 3rd PRC. The DOT had initially taken a stand that the pension revision would be possible only after pay revision in BSNL. There is no justification for such an argument as pension revision has nothing to do with the BSNL or the affordability conditions. On the contrary, as per Rule 37A of CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972, amended from time to time, the entire liability of pension revision of BSNL retirees lies with the central government. So there have been certain assurances at the higher level that pension revision will be delinked from wage revision and implemented.

May be due to the declaration of general elections, the settlement was eluded and naturally resentment loom large among the BSNL.

Therefore Sir, your kind intervention is requested for settlement of pension revision of BSNL retirees with 15% fitment from 01-01-2017, delinking wage revision without further delay.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

K G Jayaraj

General Secretary

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