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October 29, 2019

To,

The Controller General of Communication Accounts,
Department of Telecommunications,
NICF Complex,
Ghitorni, New Delhi- 110 047

Sir,

Sub: - **Denial of 78.2% IDA fixation to those drawn one extra increment granted in lieu of Gr.IV promotion – case of BSNL retirees in Tamil Nadu and Chennai Telephone circles – intervention sought - req**

I am constrained to bring to your kind notice a very genuine issue of about 700 BSNL retirees belonging to Tamil Nadu and Chennai Telephone circles for early necessary action.

As you are aware BSNL pensioners retired before 01.01.2007 were granted 78.2% IDA fixation vide order of DoT No.No.40-13/2013-Pen(T) dated 18th July, 2016. However, this has not yet been paid to about 700 BSNL retirees by the CCA, Tamil Nadu on the plea that they were granted one extra increment granted in lieu of Gr.IV promotion when their pension was fixed with 68.8% IDA fixation.

In this regard, CCA, Tamil Nadu had sought clarification to DoT as to whether the pension of these retirees could be revised downward reducing the one extra increment. Necessary clarification was issued by the Director (Estt.II) vide No.40-16/2012-Pen dated 01.01.2018, to the effect that no downward reduction of pension cannot be done. (copy enclosed for ready reference). In spite of this clarification, the CCA, Tamil Nadu has not done anything positively to resolve this issue. Meanwhile, a few individuals approached CAT, Chennai on this issue and this has been taken as a ploy to deny the benefits to the entire affected pensioners.

The Circle Branch of this Association had rightly taken up the issue from the beginning itself and is being pursued continuously. The CCA, Tamil Nadu, during a discussion with our Association about one year ago had assured to settle the issue by giving the 78.2% benefit, deducting the one extra increment, to all the affected pensioners barring those approached the court. Unfortunately, this has not been implemented so far for reasons best known to the CCA, Tamil Nadu.

Sir, delayed justice is equal to denial of justice. The affected pensioners, some of them have already expired, are very much agitated against the unjust and unnecessary delay in the settlement of the case.

Therefore, our circle branch is compelled to launch an agitational programme starting with a protest demonstration on 09.11.2019 demanding immediate settlement of the issue.

Hence, your kind intervention is sought for an amicable settlement of this genuine issue at the earliest.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

K G Jayaraj

General Secretary

Encl: As above.

Copy to: Ms.Tiakala Lynda Yaden, DDG (Accounts), DoT, Sanchar Bhawan, 20, Ashoka Road, New Delhi 110001

No. 40-16/2012-(PenT)
Government of India
Ministry of Communications
Department of Telecommunications
(Pension Section)

516, Sanchar Bhawan
20, Ashoka Road, New Delhi
Dated: December, 2017
01st January, 2018

To,
The Pr. Controller of Communications Accounts
Tamil Nadu Circle
60, Ethiraj Salai, Chennai - 600008

Sub: Clarification regarding downward revision of pension in case of officials of BSNL granted extra increment in terms of Non-Executive Promotion Policy of BSNL and recoveries sought for the same by TN Circle

The undersigned is directed to refer to your office letter No. DoT/CCA/TN/Pen Rev/50%CVP dated 20.11.2017 vide which the case regarding the above stated subject has been re-submitted for clarification.

2. The matter has been examined in terms of Rule 70 (1) of CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972 which inter-alia states that *Subject to the provisions of Rules 8 and 9, pension once authorized after final assessment shall not be revised to the disadvantage of the Government servant, unless such revision becomes necessary on account of detection of a clerical error subsequently.* As the error hereinabove is on account of lack of relevant information both with concerned BSNL field units as well as the O/o Pr. CCA TN Circle and not due to any error of interpretation or calculation mistake etc. on the part of the latter, the same cannot be construed as a clerical error. Consequently, the pension cannot be revised downwards till 09.06.2013 in terms of the said Rule.

This issues with approval of the DDG (Estt).


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