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To,

Shri P.K.Purwar CMD, BSNL Bharat Sanchar Bhawan Janpath, New Delhi – 110 001

Sir,

Sub: - Non-payment of medical bills, quarterly medical allowance to BSNL retirees - reg.

Please recall the discussion the undersigned and our Advisor, Shri V.A.N Namboodiri had with you on 16.12.2019 on the above referred issue.

You had stated that when the financial position improves in the post VRS scenario, allotment of fund for pending medical bills may be possible. You had also assured that the reimbursement of onetime payment towards CGHS membership will be cleared early.

However, the fund allotted for CGHS reimbursement was not sufficient to clear the pending claims. Further as you are aware CGHS facilities are available in limited places and Pensioners have to travel hundreds of kilometers to avail it, if they opt from a non CGHS area. Another drawback is that some of the prominent hospitals withdraw from the list of empanelled hospitals due to non-payment/ undue delay of their bills from the government.

The sufferings of the aged and ailing Pensioners continue to be worse due to non-payment of medical bills of both indoor and outdoor treatment for the last 18 months. Those who opted without voucher, quarterly medical allowance, are also put in to distress due to non payment. The worst condition is that of Pensioners with chronic diseases like cancer, heart and kidney ailments. They cannot continue their life without medicines and you may just imagine the pathetic situation that when pension amount is incurred for purchasing medicines, the entire family budget will be affected.

In view of the foregoing, it is once again requested that a review be made on this burning issue with a humane approach so that no life is lost due to non consumption of life saving medicine. We sincerely hope that you would be able to allot the required fund to clear the pending bills and arrears of medical allowance, in the changed post VRS scenario.

Awaiting a positive response and appropriate action and

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

K G Jayaraj

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