



# ALL INDIA BSNL DOT PENSIONERS ASSOCIATION

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21<sup>st</sup> August, 2020

To,

(1) **Shri Anshu Prakash,**  
**Secretary,**  
**Department of Telecommunications,**  
**Sanchar Bhawan, 20, Asoka Road,**  
**New Delhi-110001**

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

Sir,

Sub: - **Denial of Provisional Pension to 199 VRS retirees of Maharashtra belonging to SC/ST category without any justification - req.**

Ref: (1) This Association letter No. AIBDPA/DOT- BSNL/MH/2020 dated 03-08-2020.  
(2) BSNL CO-EB-1/11(20) 5/2020-ESTAB dated 06-08-2020.

1. In continuation of our letter referred to above(1), copy enclosed for ready reference, we are compelled to approach you for a more serious issue. It has been reported to us that the Provisional Pension being paid to the VRS retirees has been stopped from July, 2020 to 199 VRS retirees of Maharashtra belonging to SC/ST category without notice. We are at a loss to understand the necessity or justification of such a cruel action which in real effect would push these hapless retirees and their families to utter poverty and starvation.
2. We draw your kind attention to the letter referred to (2) above issued by BSNL Corporate Office wherein para (iii) states; " With regard to the cases pending for caste certificates, letters may be issued to the retirees for submission of Caste Certificate, stating that the payment of Ex-gratia will not be settled in their cases till the completion of the stipulated formalities."  
This inter alia means that they are to be paid all the retirement benefits and pension except Ex-gratia. Unfortunately, even this is not being implemented in the cases of 199 VRS retirees of Maharashtra.
3. In this connection, we would like to reiterate the point that the 199 VRS retirees are not responsible for non-confirmation of their caste certificate as it was to be done by the recruitment authorities in accordance with the procedure laid down by DOPT. The fact being this, the Maharashtra BSNL administration is continuing their intimidation and harassment of the 199 VRS retirees. It has gone to such an extreme extent of unilateral stoppage of pension. We strongly protest against this inhumane action and request your kind intervention for immediate resumption of Provisional Pension to the 199 VRS retirees.
4. Ganapathi Pooja, the most important festival of Maharashtra is being celebrated in the last week of August, 2020. The Central Government has issued orders for early payment of salary and pension for the month of August, 2020. Let us also think about 199 VRS retirees who are denied even the Provisional Pension. We sincerely hope that your good self may cause necessary action for early settlement of the issue as a onetime measure and orders issued for payment of all the retirement benefits and Ex-gratia with normal pension to the 199 VRS retirees.

Thanking you,

*Yours sincerely,*

**K.G. Jayaraj**  
**General Secretary**

Encl: as above

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