



Date 28<sup>th</sup> August 2020

Respected Sir,

**Sub:- Request to settle the dues of MTNL pensioners early and to permit the pensioners to retain the Quarters beyond the permissible period.**

This is with reference to letter received from Retired Telecom Officer's Welfare Association regarding to settle the dues of MTNL pensioners early and to permit the pensioners to retain the Quarters beyond the permissible period is self explanatory. They have requested to take up the following issues faced by the MTNL pensioners with you as the Association's efforts to settle these issues are not fruitful so far.

They have requested to provide funds to MTNL to settle dues pending for payment to pensioners on superannuation:- Payment of GPF, Leave encashment, CPF and MTNL gratuity to the pensioners (Both on CSO and on pro-rata option) retired on superannuation from Jan'2020 onwards is pending causing undue hardships to pensioners. They have requested funds for dues pending for payment to VRS pensioners. Employees have opted for VRS effective from 31/01/2020 relying on the assurance of the Government that all their dues will be settled by 30/06/2020. However, on date some percentages of all the dues such as ex-gratia, GPF, CPF, Leave encashment, MTNL Gratuity etc are still unpaid causing undue hardships to them.

They have also requested for extension of permissible period for retention of Quarters . In the resent environment the pensioners are unable to move out to find out alternate accommodation and to vacate the Quarters that are allotted either by MTNL or BSNL. It is fully justified to extend the permissible period of retention at least up to 31/03/2021. Beyond that the retention may be allowed on License basis. Enclosing their letter for ready reference.

So you are requested to look into it and do the needful at the earliest.

Thanking You ,

Yours Sincerely,

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