

Committee of BSNL/MTNL pensioners' Associations

Date:- 21/11/2018

To
Smt. Aruna Sundararajan,
Secretary (Telecom),
Sanchar Bhawan,
20, Asoka Road,
New Delhi-110001

Respected Madam,

Sub: Pension Revision from 1/1/2017

We have written several letters in the past on the above demand and met you separately and submitted our view points justifying the demand. Now we are writing this letter jointly.

2. DoT order No.36-15/2000-Pen(T) dated 9/11/2000 states **"It has been decided by the Govt. that the employees of DoT who will be absorbed in BSNL will be entitled to the government's scheme of pension/family pension even after their absorption in BSNL"**. Under clarification, to order No.33-14/2000-SR dated 29/12/2000, vide No.33-14/2000-SR dated 19/2/2001 it was clarified "the word formula in clause 8 of rule 37-A means payment of pension as per Govt. rules in force at the relevant time". We would like to point out that 'formula' and 'scheme' includes pension revision.

3. Further we would like to point out that traditionally most of the pensionary benefits recommended by CPCs were made applicable to IDA pensioners also. In such a condition, denial of pension revision quoting 'IDA Pay' as the reason for denying pension revision as per 7th CPC formula is illogical and irrational.

4. We demand

- Delinking pension revision from pay revision because the paying agencies are different and financial viability of BSNL/MTNL has no relevance after issuance of OM dated 20/7/2016, on the basis of cabinet approval, annulling the condition stipulated in 15/6/2006 DoT order.



- Pension revision from 1/1/2017 for those who retired prior to 1/1/2017 from BSNL/MTNL in the following manner:-

Existing basic pension plus

DR as on 1/1/2017 plus

32% of basic pension (This was the formula recommended by 7th CPC, accepted and implemented by the Govt. to C.G. pensioners).

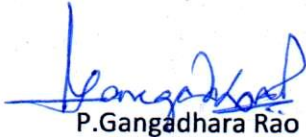
In short, the existing basic pension should be multiplied by 2.515. The C.G. pensioners got the benefit of 2.57 multiplying factor. Our demand is less than that.

The sum total shall be the new basic pension with 0% DR as on 1/1/2017 and subsequent DR may be granted quarterly as per DPE orders.

5. We earnestly request you, madam, to prepare the necessary Cabinet Note and seek the approval of the Cabinet without further delay since more than 2 lakh pensioners have become restive after waiting for more than two years.

Thanking you

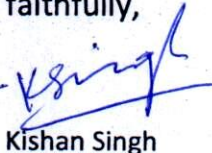
Yours faithfully,



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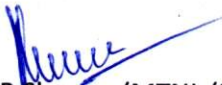
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