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Shri Ashwini Vaishnawji,
Hon. Minister for Communications & IT,
New Delhi

Respected Sir,

Sub: **Pension Revision from 1/1/2017 for BSNL/MTNL pensioners on the basis of fitment factor recommended by 7th CPC**

We may recall to your kind memory that we met you, sir, in March 2022 with the help of Hon. Parliamentary Affairs Minister Shri Pralhad joshiji.

2) During that meeting, we were clearly told that “pay revision and pension revision cannot go together” because pension is paid from the Central budget whereas pay is paid by BSNL/MTNL. We were also informed that our demand is genuine and justified. We are very much thankful to you, sir.

3) Again we met you, sir, in July 2022 and file started moving afterwards in DoT. A proposal with zero percent fitment was sent to Pension Department and that nodal agency said that “fitment of percentage is within the domain of DoT”.

4) Dr Mahesh Shuklaji, then Member (services) convened a meeting of pensioners' associations on 17/10/2022 and all the pensioners' associations in one voice rejected it since it is nothing but merger of pension plus DA. *At the end of the meeting Dr Mahesh Shuklaji informed all of us that the fitment benefit would not be zero percent but it may be between zero and fifteen percent which shall be decided in consultation with Telecom Secretary and Hon. MoC. He also told that it is decided to delink pension revision from pay revision.*

5) DoT has made some exercises afterwards and the file is pending with Telecom Secretary for nearly four weeks now.

6) May we request you, sir, to decide the issue of pension revision of nearly four lakh pensioners without any further delay by ensuring the following:-

- 1) *Pension Revision every ten years as and when Central Govt. pensioners' pension is revised*
- 2) *No anomaly between pre-2017 and post-2017 retirees*

Thanking you

Yours faithfully


(V Vara Prasad) 27/5
General Secretary.