To
Shri Narendra Modi,
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Sub: Unending delay in settlement of pending disciplinary/vigilance cases against the pensioners – Creation of an effective mechanism for speedy and time bound disposal thereof.

Hon'ble Sir,

We are happy to note that the present Government under you as the PM of this great country has shown its keenness to mitigate various hardships of the senior citizens in general and the pensioners in particular. This is certainly a welcome initiative, since at the last leg of life people need special attention to allow them to peacefully lead their rest of the life. In this context, we would like to highlight a peculiar and very agonizing problem of a section of the senior citizens of the country with an earnest appeal to address the same.

2. It is a common experience that a section of the senior citizens, after their retirement, continue to suffer for years because of non-settlement of disciplinary/vigilance cases initiated against them while in service. In addition in many cases, the charge sheets are served on the last day of their service. These cases continue for years together without any hope of finalization in a reasonable time span. Their pensionary benefits are also withheld by granting them only a provisional pension which is insufficient for leading a decent livelihood. As such, they face immense problem to handle their family and social commitments with the meager amount at their disposal and in absence of any other source for further reasonable income. The anxiety and tension created on this account also tells upon their health.

3. No doubt, the Central Vigilance Commission has laid down certain general guidelines for timely disposal of disciplinary/vigilance cases against the employees in general, but these are hardly being followed. But there is no special guidelines or mechanism in place for time bound disposal of the disciplinary/vigilance cases against the retiring/retired employees (pensioners). No one takes into consideration the need to settle these cases on time to give mental and financial
relief to this section of the senior citizens. Thus, this section of the senior citizens has to lead the rest of the life under severe mental depression.

4. Under the above background, we would earnestly appeal to you to kindly advise the concerned Ministry/Ministries to devise a special mechanism and a monitoring system for time-bound disposal of disciplinary/vigilance cases against the retiring/retired employees. In no case, the settlement of the cases be delayed for more than a year.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

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