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To

Shri Sanjay Kothari,
Secretary,
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New Delhi 110003

Sub: 23rd Meeting of SCOVA to be held on 20.09.2013 – status of pending items regarding.

Sir,

We would like to invite your kind attention to three specific items of the Minutes of the 22nd Meeting of SCOVA which was held on 19.02.2013 which concern the absorbed BSNL pensioners whose pension are being paid by the Government as per provisions in Rule 37A of CCS pension Rules 1972. These items, as given below, are still unresolved and likely to be taken up in the ensuing meeting for review. We, therefore, like to give our status report so that appropriate decision is taken to resolve the issues once for all.

2. The items are as under:-

- (i) Item No. 5 (vi) of the Minutes on “SL No. 26 of ATR of Para 5: Anomaly in fixation of pension of DOT Employees absorbed in BSNL, who retired between 01.10.2000 and 31.07.2001:**

The relevant Action Taken Report of 21st Meeting of SCOVA stated that DOT will examine the issue and send a proposal to DOP&PW for examination and decision. However, the minutes of the 22nd Meeting SCOVA recorded that “... It was decided that DOT will take final decision in the matter by 31st March 2013.” Unfortunately no decision has been taken so far by DOT despite taking up the issue with both DOT and DOP&PW on number of occasions. Since the issue is an old issue and the affected pensioners are suffering for long, it is requested to resolve the issue now based on the proposals sent by this Association or any other proposal as may deem fit.

(ii) FRESH AGENDA ITEMS FOR 22nd SCOVA MEETING

Item No. 7: Disposal of disciplinary cases against Retired Officers:

It was recorded in the Minutes of the 22nd Meeting of SCOVA that a proposal was under consideration to expedite the disposal of disciplinary cases against the Retired Officers and even serving Officers. It is regretted to state that in BSNL the cases against the Retired Employees are unduly delayed for long years causing immense problems to the concerned pensioners. It is requested to expedite devising a meaningful machinery to resolve these cases in a time bound manner.

(iii) Item No. 9: Merger of 78.2% IDA with basic pension benefit to the absorbed BSNL Pensioners:

It was recorded in the Minutes of the 22nd SCOVA Meeting that "... They (DOT) informed if any stage the benefit of merger of 78.2% IDA with pay of serving employees is given, this benefit would also be extended to the absorbee pensioners of BSNL". But it is regretted to state that though DOT has issued orders on 10.06.2013 allowing the benefit of merger of 78.2% IDA with pay of serving employees, this benefit has not so far been extended to the absorbee pensioners of BSNL as committed by Department of Telecommunication in the last meeting of SCOVA. It is requested to advise the Department of Telecommunication to extend the benefit immediately to the absorbee pensioners since it is a case of mere modification in regard to fixation benefit in its Pension Revision Order for pre-2007 absorbed BSNL Pensioners.

3 We shall be extremely grateful if our above mentioned issues are reviewed in real earnest and got resolved in the proposed 23rd Meeting of SCOVA.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,



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