



Editorial

ROLLING OUT OF DOT'S COMPREHENSIVE PENSION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM - CONCERNS OF THE PENSIONERS ACKNOWLEDGED BUT NOT REDRESSED

The moment DOT's unilateral move to take over the function of disbursement of pension of the DOT/BSNL IDA pensioners from the designated Banks and its decision to entrust this function to the CCAs came to light, AIBSNLREA had pointed out the serious problems that the pensioners would have to encounter because of this unnecessary change over. The Association rightly pointed out that the CCA Offices stationed at a particular city of a state is ill-equipped to handle other functions viz, issue of Form-16 to the income tax payers, acceptance of annual life certificates from pensioners/family pensioners, issue of monthly Pension Slips, accepting the claims for family pension etc from the pensioners. The Banks are now providing these services along with disbursement of pension. The pensioners are also able to receive these services and also get disputes, if any, sorted out by visiting the Bank Branches as and when needed since these Branches are easily accessible.

Now, it is found that DOT has acknowledged the above concerns expressed by this Association and has advised BSNL to open "Pensioners' Service Centres" at the Circle Offices and also at the SSA/BSNL Units. These Service Centers are

to provide, besides other services, facilities like uploading Digital Life Certification, Downloading Form 16, and Uploading Grievances etc. But unless such Service Centers are opened in multiple locations in the SSA/BSNL Units, the pensioners, most of whom are over aged and with reduced mobility and residing at faraway places cannot take long journeys to reach these centers. Thus opening of chain of such "Pensioners' Service Centers" in close proximity for easy accessibility of the pensioners is a must.

Further, nothing is known as to how DOT plans to get the CCAs issue monthly Pension Slips, at least through SMS on the registered mobile numbers and/or e-mail id of the pensioners. The "Pensioners' Service Centres" should also be equipped to provide these Pension Slips to the pensioners who may visit these Centers. At present, the pensioners do get this facility through the CPC of their respective Banks on their registered Mobile Numbers giving details of the basic pension, commuted pension, IDA, Income Tax deducted and pension credited in the S/B Account etc. These information are important to the pensioners, since they must know all the details about their disbursed pension.

These issues have already been taken up by the Association with the authorities again. It has now to be seen how DOT addresses these concerns. As we know, the DOT proposes to introduce this new regime of pension disbursement system through its “Comprehensive Pension Management

System” by the middle of 2019. Any attempt to push through the proposed System, without fully addressing the above concerns, will surely cause the pensioners to be the victims of arrogance and insensitivity of DOT.■

ISSUES TAKEN UP

AIBSNLREA ADDRESSES SECRETARY (PENSION) REGARDING NON-RETURN OF ORIGINAL LAND DEED TO SHRI A.B.MURMU, RETIRED DGM, TELECOM STORES. KOLKATA EVEN AFTER FULL RECOVERY OF HIS HBA DUE TO NON-FURNISHING OF RECOVERY PARTICULARS BY DOT HEADQUARTERS FOR SOME PERIOD TO CGM, QA CIRCLE, JABALPUR, BSNL: Having failed to get any response from the Department of Telecommunications on the above issue despite taking up the matter with Pay & Accounts Officer (HQ), DOT [view posting dated 19.02.2018 in this website to read the letter] and then Member (Finance), Telecom Commission, AIBSNLREA [view posting dated 31.08.2018 in this website to read the letter] has now sought the intervention of Secretary (Pension). The Association finally writes “we earnestly request you to kindly intervene in the matter so that Shri A B Murmu, Retd DGM gets back his original Land Deed at the earliest ending the agony of this pensioner that he is facing for the inaction of Department of Telecommunications for last few years”. [View posting dated 30.10.2018 in this website to read the letter](#)

AIBSNLREA TAKES UP WITH DIRECTOR (HR), BSNL THE ISSUE REGARDING WITHDRAWAL OF CASHLESS FACILITY AGAINST INDOOR MEDICAL TREATMENT FROM ALL EMPANELLED HOSPITALS BY CGMT, UP(W) TELECOM CIRCLE - SEEKS RESTORATION OF THE FACILITY: In a surprising move, UP (West) Telecom Circle has ordered withdrawal of cashless facility against indoor medical treatment from all empanelled hospitals on the plea that it was found from the medical bills of the empanelled hospitals that the cost of medicines charged are on higher side and also huge amount is pending for payment to empanelled hospitals as the reimbursement of indoor medical bills. AIBSNLREA has taken up this issue with Director (HR) and protested against the Order stating that “As regards over-charging of the cost of medicines, it is the duty of the Circles to check the same and clear payment only as per the approved rates. How the retired employees in particular are to be penalized for no fault on their parts on this account and also due to failure of the Circles to do their assigned duties? Moreover, pendency of bills for clearance cannot also be the genuine ground for withdrawal of the cashless facility”. The Association has further requested Director (HR) “to kindly intervene in the matter. The UP(West) Telecom Circle be also advised immediately to withdraw its Order dated 12.10.2018 and restore the cashless facility. The Circle may also be advised to check and verify all the bills as per extant Orders and rules before clearing them for payments. Let the Circle not penalize the retired employees for no fault on their parts and thus follow the advice given by your Office vide No BSNL/Admn.I/15-

18/16(i) dated 10.08.2016 to empanel more CGHS approved hospitals on cashless basis” . [View posting dated 27.10.2018 in this website to read the letter](#)

AIBSNLREA SEEKS INTERVENTION OF CMD, BSNL IN THE MATTER OF EXTENDING CONCESSIONAL RESIDENTIAL TELEPHONE FACILITY TO THE RETIRED EMPLOYEES RESIDING IN TECHNICALLY NOT FEASIBLE AREAS – ASSOCIATION REITERATES ITS EARLIER REQUEST TO PROVIDE MOBILE CONNECTION IN LIEU: AIBSNLREA has since addressed a letter to CMD, BSNL regarding non-extension of the facility of concessional residential telephone connection to the retired BSNL employees residing in TNF areas. The Association has pointed out that with gradual decommissioning of WLL Exchanges through which the retired employees residing in TNF areas were earlier given the connections, the facility is no more being extended to them. The Association further reiterates its earlier request to allow at least Cellular Mobile Service connections to the retired BSNL employees residing in the stated TNF areas in lieu of concessional residential telephone connection (DEL). The facility could be restricted to the tariff plan within the prescribed limit in monetary term that the concerned retired employee is eligible to get, had he been provided a concessional telephone connection. The Association finally has requested CMD, BSNL to intervene in the matter so that the above request is examined in right earnest and the mobile telephone facility is allowed to the eligible retired BSNL employees residing in the TNF areas. [View posting dated 22.10.2018 in this website to read the letter](#)

ROLLING OUT OF DOT’S COMPREHENSIVE PENSION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR DIRECT CREDIT OF PENSION IN THE PENSIONERS’ SAVINGS BANK ACCOUNTS - AIBSNLREA WRITES TO ADVISOR (FINANCE), DOT REGARDING NON-OPENING OF ADEQUATE PENSIONERS’ SERVICE CENTRES IN BSNL UNITS AND ALSO NON-ADDRESSING THE POINT REGARDING ISSUE OF MONTHLY PENSION SLIPS: Earlier, DOT had advised BSNL regarding opening of “Pensioners’ Service Centres” to provide services like Uploading Digital Life Certification, Downloading Form 16, Uploading grievances, Assistance in filing pension forms by employees/family pensioners etc on implementation of its proposed CPMS (view posting dated 09.10.2018 in this website). AIBSNLREA has now addressed a letter to Advisor (Finance), DOT stating that though the concerns expressed by the Association from time to time regarding DOT’s proposal for direct credit of pension in the pensioners’ Saving Bank Accounts by the CCAs have been acknowledged, but these are not fully addressed. The Association has pointed out that more number of “Pensioners’ Service Centres” need to be opened in SSAs/BSNL Units so that the pensioners are not forced to travel long distance to get these services. The Association has also requested that the CCAs must ensure issuing monthly Pension Slips to the pensioners/family pensioners giving details of basic pension, IDA, Income Tax deducted, pension credited etc in their registered mobile number and/or e-mail id. [View posting dated 20.10.2018 in this website to read the letter](#)

AIBSNLREA TAKES UP WITH DIRECTOR (HR), BSNL REGARDING NON-EMPANELMENT OF PRIVATE HOSPITALS FOR INDOOR TREATMENT OF BSNL’S PRESENT AND PAST EMPLOYEES BY CGMT, HIMACHAL PRADESH TELECOM CIRCLE: AIBSNLREA has since taken up the issue of non-empanelment of private hospitals for indoor treatment of BSNL’s present and past employees in Himachal Pradesh Telecom Circle. The Association has pointed out that even Shimla – the capital of the state and headquarters of the Circle Office, has got no empanelled hospital. The

Association has urged Director (HR) “to kindly intervene in this serious issue and cause issue of early orders so that BSNL Employees/Pensioners of BSNL in Himachal Pradesh are also allowed to take indoor treatment at least in private hospitals which are empanelled by the Himachal Pradesh State Government under the similar terms and conditions as ordered by Central Government. At the same time, CGMT Shimla may kindly be advised to get adequate private hospitals empanelled in all SSAs within next few months”. [View posting dated 18.10.2018 in this website to read the letter](#)

AIBSNLREA TAKES UP THE CASES REGARDING NON-ISSUE OF FINAL RETIREMENT ORDERS OF S/SHRI M D CHAUDHARY, RETD SDE AND D P BHATT, RETD SDE, BOTH FROM GUJARAT CIRCLE AND SHRI B K MALLICK, RETD DGM, ODISHA CIRCLE EVEN AFTER SETTLEMENT OF THEIR DISCIPLINARY/VIGILANCE CASES: AIBSNLREA has addressed a letter to Director(HR), BSNL regarding non-issue of final retirement orders of S/Shri M D Chaudhary, Retd SDE, D P Bhatt, Retd SDE from Gujarat Telecom Circle and Shri B K Mallick, Retd DGM, Odisha Telecom Circle, even after settlement of their disciplinary/vigilance cases and issue of Presidential Orders for absorption in BSNL, which is delaying final settlement of their pension and other pensionary benefits. The Association has requested for early issue of the retirement Orders. [View posting dated 15.10.2018 in this website to read the letter](#)

AIBSNLREA WRITES TO DIRECTOR (HR), BSNL REGARDING WRONG APPLICATION OF THE ORDER TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF DAYS OF PAY FROM 25 DAYS TO 23 DAYS TO CALCULATE ANNUAL CEILING LIMIT FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF MEDICAL CLAIMS- CASES OF THE PRE-2007 BSNL PENSIONERS RETIRED FROM BSNL CORPORATE OFFICE: Since BSNL Corporate Office has wrongly applied BSNL Order dated 10.07.2018 for reduction of number of days of pay from 25 days to 23 days to calculate the annual ceiling limit in the case of the absorbed pre-2007 BSNL pensioners for the purpose of determining their annual ceiling limit for reimbursement of their medical claims, AIBSNLREA has taken up the issue with Director (HR). Fitment benefit by merger of 68.8% IDA or 78.2% IDA was extended only to the post-2007 employees/pensioners while allowing them revised IDA pay scales w.e.f. 1.1.2007. There was no revision of IDA pay scales for the pre-2007 pensioners and as such their last pay drawn also did not go any change on allowing 78.2% IDA merger to the post-2007 BSNL employees. The Association has requested for strict application of BSNL's Order No. BSNL/Admn.I/14-2/09 dated 8.9.2010 for the retired employees with special reference to the Pre-2007 BSNL pensioners and also not to apply BSNL Order dated 10.07.2018 to the pre-2007 retirees from Corporate Office. [View posting dated 13.10.2018 in this website to read the letter](#)

DENIAL OF ANNUAL INCREMENT EVEN ON NOTIONAL BASIS FALLING DUE ON THE DAY FOLLOWING SUPERANNUATION ON COMPLETION OF ONE FULL YEAR OF SERVICE FOR THE PURPOSE OF ALLOWING PENSIONARY BENEFITS TO THE GOVERNMENT SERVANTS- AIBSNLREA NOW SEEKS INTERVENTION OF THE PRIME MINISTER: AIBSNLREA had been taking up the above issue since 2015 with concerned authorities. The Association has again taken up the matter recently with Secretary, DOP&T and others quoting a Madras High Court judgment allowing the said the benefit to a Petitioner (View posting dated 24.09.2018 in this website) and requested to extend the same benefit to all similarly placed retirees. The Association has now taken up the

issue, following dismissal of an SLP filed by the Union of India in the Supreme Court against the said judgment of Madras High Court, with the Prime Minister of India seeking his intervention to extend the benefit to all similarly placed retirees. The Association has pleaded that “we now earnestly request your kind personal intervention in the matter so that a common Order is issued extending the similar benefits, as Ordered by the Hon’ble Madras High Court and upheld by the Hon’ble Supreme Court, to all the similarly placed retirees who retire/retired on the preceding day on which their annual increments are/were due on completion of their full one year of service”. [View posting dated 01.10.2018 in this website to read the letter](#)

RESPONSE TO AIBSNLREA’S REPRESENTATIONS

DOT FORWARDS AIBSNLREA’S LETTER DATED 01.09.2018 TO PRINCIPAL CCA, DELHI REGION REGARDING NON-REVISION OF PENSION OF SHRI RAM NATH RAO, RETD JTO, NTR, LUCKNOW – A PRE-2007 ABSORBED BSNL PENSIONER: AIBSNLREA had earlier taken up the case of non-revision of pension of Shri Ram Nath Rao, Retd JTO, NTR, Lucknow with Member (Finance), Telecom Commission since Principal Controller of Communication Accounts, Delhi Region did not revise the pension of the said retired Executive, though the Office of DGMM(NTR), Lucknow had submitted all the necessary documents to the Accounts Officer (Pension) in Pr CCA Office with a request to revise the pension with fitment benefit by merger of 78.2% IDA with basic pension. [View posting dated 01.09.2018 in this website to read the letter]. Now DOT has forwarded the said letter of the Association to the Pr. Controller of Communication Accounts, vide its File No. 34-55/2018-Pen(T) dated 18.10.2018, for examination and necessary action under intimation to the Pension Section of DOT. [View posting dated 25.10.2018 in this website to read the DOT letter](#)

DOP&PW FORWARDS COPY OF THE AIBSNLREA’S LETTER ADDRESSED TO CMD, CANARA BANK REGARDING NON-ISSUE OF PENSION SLIPS INDICATING DETAILS OF PENSION DRAWN AND INCOME TAX DEDUCTED TO THE PENSIONERS RECEIVING PENSION THROUGH CANARA BANK BRANCHES IN KERALA TO DDG(PG), DOT: Department of Pension & Pensioners’ Welfare has forwarded the copy of the letter from AIBSNLREA, which was endorsed to it, regarding non-issue of pension slips stating the details of pension credited in the Savings Bank Accounts of a DOT/BSNL IDA pensioners receiving pension through Canara Bank Branches in Kerala, to examine the issue as per extant rules/orders. The Association had taken up the issue with CMD, Canara Bank (view posting dated 25.09.2018 in this website to read the letter) and endorsed copy of the same to DOP&PW. [View posting dated 14.10.2018 in this website to read the DOP&PW letter](#)

GOVERNMENT/BSNL ORDERS

BSNL TO OPEN “PENSIONERS’ SERVICE CENTERS” IN BSNL UNITS/SSAs FOR PROVIDING LIMITED CUSTOMER FACILITIES TO THE BSNL IDA PENSIONERS THROUGH DOT’S CPMS PORTAL: It may be recalled that when DoT proposed direct disbursement of Pension in Pensioners’ Savings Bank Accounts through its ‘Comprehensive Pension Management System (CPMS)’, in supersession of the existing mechanism to make the payments by the concerned Banks, AIBSNLREA had strongly protested against the move since DOT failed to address the concerns expressed by this

Association regarding submission of annual life certificates to the CCA Offices, issue of Form 16 to the income tax paying pensioners and providing other facilities. After all, CCA Offices are available mainly in the State capitals which cannot cover the entire state/region to provide these services and the pensioners residing in far off places also cannot physically access these offices. Finally, DOT seems to have considered these issues. Accordingly, DOT has roped in BSNL in its system to assist in implementing the new system. BSNL also has now advised its Units/SSAs to open “Pensioners’ Service Centers” to provide limited facilities like uploading Digital Life Certification, Downloading Form 16, uploading grievances etc through the CMPS portal. How far this arrangement will work to the satisfaction of the pensioners – especially those who are virtually immobile, only the future can speak. [View posting dated 09.10.2018 in this website to read the BSNL/DOT Orders](#)

REVISION OF IDA W.E.F. 1.10.2018 IN CPSEs WHERE LAST PAY REVISION IMPLEMENTED WEF 1.1.2007: DPE has issued orders revising IDA w.e.f 1.10.2018 from 128% to 135.6% for CPSEs where last pay revision was implemented w.e.f. 1.1.2007. [View posting dated 04.10.2018 in this website to read the DPE Order](#)

REVISION OF IDA W.E.F. 1.10.2018 IN CPSEs WHERE LAST PAY REVISION IMPLEMENTED WEF 1.1.1997: DPE has issued orders revising IDA w.e.f 1.10.2018 from 284.8% to 297.8% for CPSEs where last pay revision was implemented w.e.f. 1.1.1997. [View posting dated 04.10.2018 in this website to read the DPE Order](#)

BRANCHES IN ACTION

AIBSNLREA, ALAPPUZHA-ERNAKULAM BRANCH HOLD GENERAL BODY MEETING: A general body meeting of the Alappuzha- Ernakulam branch was held on 24th Oct 2018 at Hotel Lake Palace, Kayamkulam under the chairmanship of Shri M Sethumadhavan, Branch President. 24 members attended the meeting. Shri K G Balakrishnapillai welcomed the members. A silent prayer was held for the Flood affected people of Kerala and the members expressed their solidarity and support for all the relief work and reconstruction work that are in progress. Branch Secretary Shri Mathew Jacob in his report explained the present status on various issues viz Pay Revision, Pension revision, Status of Court cases w r t 78.2% arrears, Medical allowance without voucher, etc. In regard to local issues, he explained the developments regarding payment of arrears, wrong fixation, fixation of pay/pension following court orders for the members, status of various court cases, issue of pension slips by Canara Bank etc. Thereafter, discussions were held on various issues and the members expressed their opinion on various issues. Pre 2007 pensioners expressed their concern about non revision of pension in line with pay revision. They wanted the Association to take up the case with administration for revision of pension on the line of One Rank One Pension as done for armed forces. Shri R Sukumarapillai presented Vote of Thanks. The meeting concluded at 2 PM.

GB MEETING OF PALAKKAD BRANCH OF AIBSNLREA HELD: A General Body Meeting of Palakkad Branch (Kerala State) was held on 09.10.2018 at Top in Town Palakkad. The meeting commenced

at 11hrs. Forty seven members were present and two new members joined the Association. Detailed deliberations took place on the burning issues like Pension Revision, Court case on 78.2% IDA merger, non-payment of Medical Allowance for one full year. Branch Secretary explained the present status of these issues very elaborately. Members were very much aggrieved on these vital issues. It was also decided to send a resolution for stalling the change of Pension payment through CCA. Meeting concluded after Vote of Thanks presented by Sri P V Subramanian, Asst Secretary. Lunch was served to the members who dispersed around 14.00 hrs.

SURAT BRANCH OF AIBSNLREA HELD A GB MEETING: Surat Branch (Gujarat State) of AIBSNLREA held a General Body Meeting on 04.10.2018 in the Community Hall, Door Sanchar Colony, Surat. 59 members attended the meeting which was chaired by Shri Baburam. The meeting started at 10.30 AM with observation of two minutes silence to pay homage to Late Shri A B Patel, State Secretary. Shri N.J.Nakawala, Branch Secretary welcomed the members and reported the activities of the Branch during the current term. Surat Branch started functioning from 8/10/2010 with 15 members which has now reached to 106 life members. Members expressed their dissatisfaction due to inordinate delay in payment of medical claims with and without voucher facility and non-revision of pension. Shri A.M.Vohara, Finance Secretary presented the Income and Expenditure report which was passed by the house. Shri Baburam who presided over the meeting explained the reasons for delay in payment of medical claims and also the status of implementation of 3rd PRC Report etc. He expressed his deep concern for closing of concessional Telephone connections provided with WLL Technology in TNF areas after closure of the WLL Exchange. Thereafter, the existing body was dissolved and a three member Committee under the Chairmanship of Shri S.S.Negi conducted election of new Office bearers. Following Office Bearers were elected unanimously:- President: Shri Baburam, Vice President: Shri P.H.Dhola, Branch Secretary: Shri N J Nakawala, Asst Secretary: S/Shri C D Patel and L B Patel, Finance Secretary: Shri A S Pethani. The meeting ended with presentation of Vote of Thanks by Shri M K Prajapati.

AIBSNLREA, KOLHAPUR BRANCH HELD A GB MEETING: Kolhapur Branch of AIBSNLREA held its quarterly GB Meeting on 7.10.2018 with Shri L M Godi, Branch President on the chair. After prayer, the President welcomed all the old and new members and gave a brief account of the developments taking place during the past quarter. The House observed two minutes silence in memory of former Prime Minister of India Bharatratna Shri Atal Bihari Vajapaye, former LS Speaker Shri Somanath Chatterjee, hundreds of people who lost their lives in the unprecedented severe flood in Kerala and other states, Shri Tansen Thanekar, Life Member of the Branch, S/Shri P K Mohanty and A B Patel, State Secretary of AIBSNLREA, Odisha State and Gujarat State Branch respectively. Eighty members attended the meeting and five new members joined the Association who were welcomed with presentation of bouquets. Senior members S/Shri B T Gondhali, and V C Patavardhan, both from Sangli, were felicitated on their completion of 75 years of age by Shri S V Kumhar on behalf of the Branch with presentation of Shawl, Shriphal, and bouquet. Branch Secretary Shri D K Joshi then presented detailed information on the issues like 3rd PRC, PCAT Case on pay/pension arrears issue, BSNL MR issues, settlement of Bills, status of action taken by Local Branch and GS, availability of CGHS facility, Grievance Cell for BSNL Pensioners, DOT's Pension payment policy, Disciplinary cases against retired Staff, revision of

seniority list of JTOs and consequential its likely effects and approach of AIBSNLRERA on this issue etc. After this, Members raised so many doubts about some issues which were answered replied to their satisfaction. Thereafter, a sponsored program on Quality Investments, Awareness on Investment in Mutual Funds-Reliance etc. was conducted. Shri Kapil Powar, gave brief presentation on this subject and highlighted the benefits of the Scheme comparing normal FDs in Banks etc. Members freely interacted with him and got cleared their doubts. Finally, Shri P S Kulkarni presented vote of thanks to all the members including the newly enrolled members and M/s Quality Investment and Reliance for their gesture in sponsoring the program. Meeting concluded after Lunch at 14.00Hrs.

GB MEETING OF VARANASI BRANCH OF AIBSNLREA HELD: Varanasi Branch of AIBSNLREA held a General Body Meeting on 06/10/2018 in the CTX building on 06.10.2018. The meeting started at 15.00 hours with S/Shri R K Sinha, Joint Secretary, CHQ, A S Gaur and Akhtar Husain, both UP State Office Bearers and others on the dais. Four new Life Members joined the Branch. After discussions on various issues concerning the pensioners, election of new Office Bearers for the Branch was held. Following office bearer were elected unanimously:- President - Shri B N Singh, Vice Presidents- S/Shri D B Gupta and S P Tripathi, Branch Secretary- Shri Yad Ali, Asst Branch Secretary- S/Shri A S Gaur and Pritam Chandra, Finance Secretary - Shri R K Sinha, Asst Finance Secretary- Shri K C Srivastava, Organizing Secretary- Shri Bans Raj Ram. Executive members- S/Shri A G Ansari, R J S Yadava, R K Prasad, D K Viswas, B Prasad. Shri D N Ram was nominated as Internal Auditor.

WEST BENGAL STATE BRANCH OFFICE BEARERS OF AIBSNLREA MEET PRINCIPAL CCA, KOLKATA: S/Shri S K Moitra, President, S R Palit, State Secretary and K.C.De, Asst State Secretary of West Bengal State Branch of AIBSNLREA met Shri G.K.Chin, Principal CCA Kolkata Telephones, who took over the charges recently, on 28th September, 2018. They took this opportunity to hand over a list of few pending issues including some pension revision cases of other Circles which required for endorsement by the Principal CCA Kolkata. The Association also requested him to send back the service books to the BSNL units, if need be, for completing the pending pension related jobs. He agreed to look into the cases.

EAST GODAVARI BRANCH OF AIBSNLREA HELD GB MEETING: East Godavari Branch of AIBSNLREA held a GB Meeting on 29.09.2018 at Hotel RL GRAND, Kakinada under the president ship of Shri GV Rama Krishna. The meeting started at 10.00hrs after prayer. GSVSS Vara Prasad, Secretary welcomed Shri CH Gandhi, OS (South), CHQ and other members. 73 members attended the meeting and 8 new members joined the Association. GB paid homage to the departed life members viz S/Shri N Krishna Murty, Ex-DE, KS Prakasha Rao Ex-JTO, Kesavacharyulu, Ex-SDE who passed away recently. The house also paid homage to the departed leaders Bharata Ratna Atal Bihari Vajpayee, former Prime Minister, and Karunanidhi, former DMK veteran leader. The house expressed its deep sorrow and grief for the irreparable loss to the Kerala flood victims. The House observed two minutes silence in their memory. President Shri GV Rama Krishna briefed the members about the activities of the Association in the recent months in his opening remarks. Shri CH Gandhi explained the status of our writ petition. Members S/Shri A Raja Gopala Rao, K P Sreenivasa Rao, Sundara Rao G and JR Sarma raised about BSNL MRS and pension revision

problems. DS explained the status of BSNL MRS as on 29.09.2018. 2nd and 3rd quarter payments for outdoor treatment with and w/o bills for pensioners have been paid in East Godavari SSA for the period 2017-2018. For 2018-2019, bills of some members, who submitted their claims with vouchers, have also received payment. Due to non-allotment of funds, bills are pending. The house also expressed its deep concern about this. CHQ was requested find out the ways and means to resolve the issue. DS explained about the status of pension revision. DS also explained about the letters addressed by CHQ to the Secretary DoT in this matter. The house resolved unanimously to verify the ways and means with other organizations to find a solution about delinking of pension revision of BSNL its viability. DS also informed about the settlement of four pension revision cases with 78.2% IDA fitment benefit in the recent Pension Adalat at Vijayawada. On the call of CHQ, Branch collected Rs 92,000/- as donation for flood relief. DS informed that S/Shri Uma Maheswar Rao S and Rama SAMY Reddy have donated @ Rs 10000/- each. Similarly, S/Shri G Satyanarayana and A V Chalapati have contributed Rs 5000/- each. S/Sri J Satyanarayana and R Krishna Rao have sent @ Rs 5000/- each directly to the flood relief fund. The House also felicitated S/Shri S Satyanarayana and VSR Ramanadha Rao on their completion of 75 years of age with garland, shawl and bouquet. Members recollected and shared their memories with them. After vote of thanks and National Anthem, House was adjourned for Lunch at 13.45hrs.

STATEMENT OF AMOUNT RECEIVED DURING OCTOBER 2018

Lucknow Branch (UP State) has deposited Rupees twenty five thousand Six hundred one (Rs. 25601.00) only in the S/B Account of CHQ with Syndicate Bank on 29/10/2018 as contribution for relief and rehabilitation of the victims in flood affected Kerala and other states.

Palakkad Branch (Kerala State) has deposited Rupees four hundred (Rs. 400/-) only in the S/B Account of CHQ with Syndicate Bank on 23/10/2018 as CHQ quota for 2 new Life Members.

Kolhapur Branch (Maharashtra State) has deposited Rupees one thousand four hundred (Rs. 1400/-) only in the S/B Account of CHQ with Syndicate Bank on 19/10/2018 as CHQ quota for 7 new Life Members.

Chennai Branch (Tamilnadu State) has deposited Rupees two thousand (Rs. 2000/-) only in the S/B Account of CHQ with Syndicate Bank on 13/10/2018 as CHQ quota for 10 new Life Members.

Varanasi Branch (UP State) has deposited Rupees eight hundred (Rs. 800/-) only in the S/B Account of CHQ with Syndicate Bank on 10/10/2018 as CHQ quota for 4 new Life Members.

Chennai Branch has deposited Rupees four thousand (Rs 4000/-) only in the S/B Account of CHQ with Syndicate Bank on 4/10/2018 as contribution received from 8 life members for pay and pension arrears case.

East Godavari Branch (AP State) has deposited Rupees one thousand six hundred (Rs. 1600/-) only in the S/B Account of CHQ with Syndicate Bank on 05/10/2018 as CHQ quota for 8 new Life Members.

Shri Ram Nath Gupta, Retd DGM (F) & Life Member of Headquarters Branch has deposited Rupees five hundred (Rs 500/-) only in the S/B Account of CHQ with Syndicate Bank on 4/10/2018 as contribution for pay and pension arrears case.

Shri N Nageswara Rao, Retd SDE & Life Member, East Godavari Branch has deposited Rupees five hundred (Rs 500/-) only in the S/B Account of CHQ with Syndicate Bank on 4/10/2018 as donation on receiving arrears of pension due to settlement of his regular promotion issue.

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