



# ALL INDIA BHARAT SANCHAR NIGAM LIMITED RETIRED EXECUTIVES' ASSOCIATION

## Central Headquarters

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Dated 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2024

To

Shri Manish Sinha,  
Controller General of Communication Accounts,  
New Delhi

**Sub: Unusually advance recovery of TDS in lieu of payment of interest due on Gratuity to BSNL VRS retirees even before completion of 60 years – request to stop recovery**

Sir,

It has been brought to our notice that TDS has been recovered from the pension for April 2024 and May 2024 in lieu of the interest due on Gratuity as per provisions of BSNL VRS 2019 scheme, in respect of VRS retirees who will be completing 60 years only in March 2025 and afterwards, by CCA Haryana.

2. A few BSNL VRS 2019 retirees who have been affected are 1. Sh Pushpak Raj Retired SDE Civil PPO no. 132020012200340, 2. Sh Ajay Kumar Retired SDE Civil PPO no. 132020012200820 and 3. Sh. Kamal Kant Retired SDE Civil PPO no 13202001220250.
3. The matter was also presented by the affected pensioners to the Pension Adalat held by CCA Haryana on 12th June 2024. It is not known whether there are instructions on the subject from DoT to recover TDS on interest on gratuity even before making payment of Gratuity and interest due.

4. We would request you to kindly look into the issue immediately and to advise all the CCAs not to recover any TDS, before actual payment of gratuity and interest due, in respect of BSNL VRS 2019 retirees and to refund the amount already recovered.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'R.R. Balasubramanian', followed by the date '3/7/24'.

(R.R. Balasubramanian)  
General Secretary

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