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Dated: 3rd March 2023

To

Shri Y.N.Singh,  
Sr.General Manager (Taxation)  
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New Delhi 110001.

**Sub: Wrong deduction of TDS without actual payment of medical claim despite instructions issued by BSNL CO to the Circles**

Ref: BSNL CO letter No.BSNLCO-TAXN/11(15)/4/2021-Taxation/4315 dated 26.08.2021  
addressed to GS AIBSNLREA

Sir,

We are extremely distressed with the information we receive from BSNL Pensioners of Rajasthan Circle that the issue of wrong deduction of TDS without making actual payment of their medical claims has returned to haunt them despite clear instructions from BSNL Corporate Office to Circles to discontinue the practice of deducting TDS at the time of posting of medical bill in the SAP.

2. You will be aware that wrong deduction of TDS without actual payment of medical claims remained a major cause of concern among BSNL pensioners during the years 2019-20 and 2020-21. After prolonged persuasion from this Association, BSNL vide its letter cited under reference had intimated us that "the matter has been examined and instruction has been issued to the Circles vide letter dated 3.02.2021 to discontinue the existing practice of deducting TDS at the time of posting of medical bill in the SAP and instead of that TDS to be deducted on Retirees Medicals Bills at the time of payment with effect from January 2021 (i.e. Q4 of F.Y. 2020-21) onwards". These instructions were followed by the Circles afterwards, giving big relief to the pensioners from the physical and mental agony while filing Income Tax returns with this wrong data appearing in Form 26AS of IT website.

3. But to our shock, Rajasthan Circle has recently deducted TDS without making actual payment of medical claims which show in the Form 26AS of the retirees. To cite specific cases, Form 26AS of two retired Executives of Rajasthan Circle Shri S P Jain and Shri B B Sharma are enclosed. While one or two TDS amount has been recovered after actual payment, a few other TDS recovery has been done without actual payment of the medical claims, in the cited cases. It is not known at this moment whether similar instances exist in other Circles. We are worried that returning of this wrong deduction would cause unwanted mental agony for the pensioners while filing ITR for the current financial year.

4. We therefore request you to kindly look into the issue and cause remedial action by stopping such wrong recovery immediately by Rajasthan Circle and by issuing a general instruction to all the Circles in this regard.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

Handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'R.R. Balasubramanian', with the date '3/3/23' written below it.

(R.R. Balasubramanian)  
General Secretary

Encl: As stated

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