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No.AIBSNLREA/CHQ/2023/15 To Shri Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, South Block, New Delhi-110001

Sub: Grievances of the absorbed BSNL IDA pensioners- Resolutions adopted in the All India Conference of AIBSNLREA held at Kolkata on 7th and 8th January, 2023 seeking intervention of Hon'ble Prime Minister of India in respect of " Increase of Fixed Medical Allowance (FMA) from Rs.1000 per month to Rs.3000 per month as recommended by the Parliamentary Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice."

Hon'ble Sir,

In the recently concluded All India Conference of this Association held at Kolkata on 7th and 8th January 2023, in which a large number of delegates from all over the country participated, widespread frustration and disappointment were expressed by many of the participants due to non-settlement of grievances of the pensioners in general and BSNL IDA pensioners in particular. The Conference also discussed about the financial crisis faced by BSNL in spite of two Revival Packages announced by the Government and identified certain areas in which specific action by the Government is considered crucial.

2. The Conference was unanimous in deciding to seek the intervention of Hon'ble Prime Minister of India to get these issues resolved, since the concerned Ministries/Departments in many instances close the grievance with irrelevant replies rather than attempting to resolve them. The Conference adopted as many as 16 Resolutions on different issues and we now take this opportunity to submit the Resolution No. 10, which pertains to DoE and DoP&PW, regarding Increase of Fixed Medical Allowance (FMA) from Rs.1000 per month to Rs.3000 per month as recommended by the Parliamentary Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice, detailed in the enclosed resolution for your kind consideration and advising DoE/DoP&PW to resolve the issue at the earliest.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely, 10aaa

(R.R.Balasubramanian) General Secretary

Copy to: 1. Smt.Nirmala Sitharaman, Minister of Finance, GOI

2. Dr. Jitendra Prasad, Minister of State (PP), GOI

ALL INDIA BHARAT SANCHAR NIGAM LIMITED RETIRED EXECUTIVES' ASSOCIATION THIRD ALL INDIA CONFERENCE HELD AT KOLKATA ON 7th AND 8th JANUARY 2023 RESOLUTIONS

ACTION REQUIRED BY DOE/DOP&PW

10. Increase of Fixed Medical Allowance (FMA) from Rs.1000 per month to Rs.3000 per month as recommended by the Parliamentary Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice.

The third All India Conference of AIBSNLREA, which is in session in Kolkata on 7th and 8th January 2023, discussed at length on the inadequacy of Fixed Medical Allowance under CGHS and noted that In February 2022, Department related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice in its 110th Report had made recommendations for enhancement of Fixed Medical Allowance from Rs.1000/- to Rs.3000/- per month. In this connection, the DoP&PW vide its letter No. 04/04/2022-P&PW(D) dated 16.01.2022 had also called for information from the Central Government Departments as to how many Central Government Civil Pensioners/Family Pensioners are getting Fixed Medical Allowance (FMA). The issue was last discussed in the 32nd Meeting of SCOVA and as per the official minutes of the meeting held in May 2022 "JS (Pension), DoPPW informed that a proposal to increase the amount of Fixed Medical Allowance is under consideration. Based on the data received from the concerned Departments, financial implications on the proposal are being worked out and a reference will be made to Department of Expenditure shortly."

The House expressed its gratitude to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice for its recommendation to enhance the FMA which when accepted by the Government of India will give much needed relief to the beneficiaries. The House also resolved to request DoP&PW and other concerned Departments to expeditiously arrive at a decision to revise the present rate of FMA and issue Orders accordingly.

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