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To

Shri Narendra K Yadav,
Member (Services),
Telecom Commission,
New Delhi 11001

Sub: Extension of CGHS facilities to retired BSNL Employees– Fixation of rates of contribution and ward entitlement etc.

Ref: (1) DOT F.No. 4-12(11)/2012(PAT) dated 20.02.2014

(2) DOP&PW OM No. 42/39/2014-P&PW(G) dated 26.02.2015 circulating the Minutes of 26th SCOVA Meeting.

Sir,

Department of Telecommunications, with the approval of Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, had issued Orders vide its F.No. 4-12(11)/2012(PAT) dated 20.02.2014 allowing the retired BSNL employees who are in receipt of Central Pension to have an option either to choose CGHS or BSNL MRS post-retirement as per their conveniences. However, certain issues like fixation of rates of contribution and ward entitlement etc were not decided which affected implementation of the said order.

2. The matter related to fixation of rates of contribution and ward entitlement etc were discussed in the 26th Meeting of SCOVA held under the chairmanship of Minister of State for (PP) and the Minutes of the said meeting was circulated by Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare vide their OM No. 42/39/2014-P&PW(G) dated 26.02.2015. The relevant Minutes of the discussion on the issue as recorded states that "Ministry of Health and Family Welfare requested Department of Telecom to suggest alternate mechanism for the retirees of BSNL. Department of Telecom was advised to send a proposal to Ministry of Health and Family Welfare in this regard in a month's time". Thus, the Department of Telecommunication was to send a comprehensive proposal on the connected issues to Ministry of Health & Family Welfare. It appears that DOT has not taken further action in the matter.

3. In view of the above, we would request you to kindly intervene so that all the connected issues for implementation of DOT's above referred Order dated 20.02.2014 is finalized at the earliest and the absorbed BSNL pensioners desirous to switch over to the CGHS can exercise their option after judging the conditionality associated with the scheme.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,



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General Secretary