



ALL INDIA BHARAT SANCHAR NIGAM LIMITED RETIRED EXECUTIVES' ASSOCIATION

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Dated: 21st May 2024

To
Shri V.Srinivas,
Secretary (Pension),
Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare,
New Delhi.

Sub: Non-release of All India Consumer Price Index for Industrial Workers for the Month of February 2024

**Ref: 1. Our letter No.AIBSNLREA/CHQ/2024/24 dated 9th April 2024
2. Reply dated 29.04.2024 from Labour Bureau**

Sir,

We would like to draw your kind attention to non-release of AICPI for Industrial Workers for the month of February 2024 till now, which was supposed to be released on 28.03.2024, the last working day of the next month and as per the Advance Release Calendar issued by the Labour Bureau. This has caused concern among the IDA pensioners since their revised DR w.e.f. 01.04.2024 is calculated based on the average of AICPI (IW) for the months of December 2023, January 2024 and February 2024 and without which the Department of Public Enterprise will not issue orders for revision of the IDA w.e.f. 01.04.2024. Non-release of the index number on the specified date has also given room to many rumours and misgivings.

2. We had represented to the Secretary (L&E), Ministry of Labour & Employment, vide our letter cited under Reference 1 above, copy of which was submitted to you, requesting immediate release of the AICPI (IW) for February 2024 and explaining by the Labour Bureau the reason for the delay, in order to dispel rumours and misgivings.

3. In response to our above referred to letter, which was also registered under CPGRAMS, Labour Bureau had informed us on 29.04.2024 vide Ref.2 above, that *“As per the comments of the concerned section – The release of CPI(IW) index for the month of February 2024 is under process and will be uploaded in the website of Labour Bureau after its release.”* But the index number has not been released till date. The IDA pensioners across the country are genuinely worried about non-release of the index number and consequent orders by DPE revising the IDA rate w.e.f. 01.04.2024.

4. We would therefore request you to kindly intervene urgently and take up the matter with the appropriate authorities for immediate release of the AICPI (IW) for February 2024 and explaining by the Labour Bureau the reason for the delay so as to dispel the apprehensions of the IDA pensioners and to relieve them of their anxiety and distress.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,



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General Secretary

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