



Editorial

ENSURE EASE OF LIVING

Mobility and transportation are major concerns for most of the senior citizens, including BSNL pensioners, especially for those above 70. Most of them have been finding visiting the bank branches an onerous task, for carrying out financial transactions, like making deposits, cash withdrawals, passbook updation, ordering and receiving cheque books, opening, renewing and closing fixed deposits, submitting Form 15G/H, life certificate, collecting Form 16A, statement of interest on deposits and for many other banking services, waiting in a long queue for the purpose.

Though Reserve Bank of India has been time and again issuing guidelines like auto conversion to senior citizen accounts based on date of birth on bank records, dedicated counters for senior citizens, deposit of life certificate at any branch of the bank and door-step banking which include picking up cash or cheques and depositing them, delivering cash, issuing demand drafts, submitting KYC and life certificate etc., these facilities are offered rarely by some banks while many banks do not appear to have any seriousness to implement these guidelines.

While it is so, the Post Offices are no lesser insensitive to the needs of the elderly. Recently Department of Posts has even issued a clarification disallowing messenger facility for any type of payment, viz., maturity proceeds or

partial withdrawal or interest for accounts under National Savings Scheme. But there is no effort to deliver the payment at the doorstep of the senior citizen, who is physically unable to visit the bank, by an authorised person of the post office.

We, the BSNL pensioners are often required to visit the Headquarters of the office from which we retired, for revalidation of Medical card, submission of Life Certificate for the telephone connection, submission of medical claims and representation on other grievances and collection of Form 16. This does not include the visits to enquire about the status of our claims. It cannot be difficult for BSNL to device procedures to allow all these works to be done online, display of status of the bills and submission of claims and representations through email.

As senior citizens, with age related debilities and health issues, we have always dreamed of performing all the above transactions in respect of banks, post offices and our own offices, without the need to travel to these places. Covid-19 lockdowns and restrictions have shown that there are ways and means for transaction from the comfort of our homes. Many services hitherto only available on a personal visit to banks, service providers, employers' premises and even retail markets, have slowly become available through digital means

for everyone including the senior citizens. Grievance redressal procedures have been simplified, providing the comfort of lodging the grievance online, though in most cases the grievances are disposed of instead of being resolved. Some improvements have been seen in the service delivery to Pensioners too. But still the road ahead is long, and a lot needs to be done in this direction yet.

Many Banks provide services like submission of Form 15G/H, investment details to claim deduction under Section 80C, opening, renewal, closure of Fixed deposits, request for cheque book, downloading of Quarterly, Half yearly & Annual Account statements, statement of interest on fixed deposits and the TDS recovered, all by logging in to their websites, in addition to the NEFT & IMPS fund transfer facility. But all these facilities are not available uniformly in all banks, with each bank providing only a few of these facilities.

It should be ensured that all these facilities are provided by all banks.

For those who are not that much techno-savvy, all statements can be sent through email or even by post. Only recently, DoP&PW had called a meeting of CPPCs of all pension disbursing banks to ensure 'ease of living' of the pensioners. All the participant banks agreed to supply details of pension through SMS and Email. DoP&PW can make further efforts to impress upon the banks to provide all the above facilities online and wherever possible at the doorstep of the pensioners as per RBI guidelines, for those who cannot afford to use the online facility.

We fervently hope that all concerned will rise up to the situation and fix the loopholes so as to ensure 'Ease of Living' for the senior citizens. AIBSNLREA will not be found lacking in raising the issue at appropriate levels.●

PLAGIARISM PERSONIFIED

A few over-smart people, as usual, are again found to be active only after AIBSNLREA gets the problems of the members resolved after relentless persuasion. Recently, in response to the representations from AIBSNLREA, BSNL Corporate Office, vide its No. BSNLCO-A/16(29)/2/2021-ESTAB dated 19th July 2021 has issued a clarification to Calcutta Telephones paving the way to resolve the long pending grievance of some retired Executives who opted, as TTAs officiating as JTO, for their pay fixation in revised second PRC pay scales under Para 3.6 of BSNL Order No. 1-16/2010-PAT(BSNL) dated 07.05.2010. The said clarification specifically refers to CPENGRAMS Docket No. DOPPW/E/2020/24019 against the representation by AIBSNLREA only. But no sooner this clarification is issued, these people, who are accustomed to take credit of others' work, have started claiming as if because of their persuasion, the said clarification has been issued. All retired BSNL Executives need to be careful about the activities of such quacks.



Important Developments of the Month

● **PCAT NEW DELHI ORDERS EXTENSION OF BENEFIT OF INCREMENT THAT FALLS DUE ON THE NEXT DAY AFTER RETIREMENT:** While disposing of a batch of OAs, PCAT New Delhi has ordered that

- a) for such of the employees, who retired on 30th June of any particular year, increment payable on 1st July shall be extended. Their pensions shall also be revised, subject to their fulfilling other conditions which are applicable. The arrears that become due shall be paid without interest.
- b) Similarly for employees, who retired on 31st December of a particular year, the increment payable on the 1st January of the next year shall be extended and pension revised, subject to same conditions in the same manner.
- c) While extending such benefits, a clause shall be incorporated to the effect that in case the Hon'ble Supreme Court takes a different view in the Civil Appeal arising out of SLP No.4722/2021, they shall be under obligation to refund the entire benefit without any demur.

The aforesaid exercise shall be completed within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order

- **BSNL ANNOUNCES POLICY FOR PROVISION OF CONCESSIONAL FTTH CONNECTIONS TO SERVING/RETIRED EMPLOYEES OF BSNL:** BSNL has issued a circular conveying approval of Management Committee of BSNL for provision of concessional FTTH connection to serving/retired Executive as well as Non-Executive employees in BSNL area only. The concession will be 40% on plan charges with ceiling of Rs.300 per month. In MTNL area, the existing guidelines for providing concessional broadband only will continue. FTTH connections already working in private capacity or availed under 10% concession will be allowed to be migrated to eligible concessional plan if requested by the employee. GSM in lieu of RSTC/CTC provided in TNF area will be withdrawn after provisioning FTTH. **[It may be recollected that BSNL had responded to AIBSNLREA letter dated 30.12.2020 stating that "your suggestion to extend the facility to the retired employee is welcome and the same may be considered a appropriate time in future taking into account its viability and market dynamics etc.]**
- **NO PERMISSION TO JOIN ANOTHER CPSE ON CONTRACTUAL BASIS AFTER RETIRING VOLUNTARILY UNDER BSNL VRS 2019:** BSNL vide its O.M No.A-41/12/1/2020/ESTAB dated 13th July 2021, referring to DoT O.M. No.19-1/2019-SU-1 dated 25.06.2021 which has clarified that engagement in CPSE/Government on contractual/consultancy basis would also qualify as re-employment, has said that request/application from VRS 2019 retirees be rejected and any such permission already granted be withdrawn.



Issues taken up

31.07.2021: AIBSNLREA WRITES TO DIRECTOR (HR) BSNL REQUESTING FORMULATING A HEALTH INSURANCE POLICY FOR BSNL RETIRED EMPLOYEES:

BSNL vide its letter No.25-1/2021-BSNL(WL)/Admn dated 30.07.2021 has introduced Health Insurance Policy - 2021 for its serving employees w.e.f. 01.09.2021 [View the BSNL letter](#)

Earlier, when the proposal to review the existing medical policy was mooted by BSNL in the year 2019, AIBSNLREA had submitted its views vide letter No.AIBSNLREA/CHQ/2019/05 dated 25.02.2019, suggesting introduction of a Group Health Insurance Scheme for retirees also, with the premium borne by BSNL and continuation of the existing arrangement under BSNLMRS for outdoor treatment. AIBSNLREA has now written to the Director (HR) suggesting formulation of a similar Health Insurance scheme for BSNL retired employees, with the yearly premium paid by BSNL. Our proposals are not only rational but also implementable. [View the letter](#)

28.07.2021: AIBSNLREA WRITES TO THE SECRETARY DPE REGARDING NON-ISSUE OF ORDERS FOR RESTORATION OF IDA W.E.F. 01.07.2021, CAUSING CONCERN AND AGONY AMIDST BSNL PENSIONERS:

We were hoping for immediate issue of orders for restoration of IDA, since DPE had committed under Para 2 of its OM dated 19.11.2020 that “As and when the decision to release the future installment of Dearness Allowance due from 01.07.2021 is taken by the Government, the rates of Dearness Allowance as effective from 01.10.2020, 01.01.2021 & 01.04.2021 will be restored prospectively.” Now it is more than two weeks after the Union Cabinet took a decision to release the frozen Dearness Allowance and DPE is still sitting on the matter without issuing orders on increased rates. This has caused concern and agony amidst BSNL Pensioners. AIBSNLREA has therefore written to the Secretary, DPE that orders for restoration of rates of IDA effective from 01.10.2020, 01.01.2021 & 01.04.2021 may be issued without any more delay. [View the letter](#)

20.07.2021: AIBSNLREA WRITES TO PGM PERS BSNL CO AGAIN, REGARDING NON-SETTLEMENT OF ISSUE OF FINAL SUPERANNUATION PENSION, RELEASE OF DCRG AND GRANT OF COMMUTED VALUE OF PENSION IN RESPECT OF SHRI G P BIRADAR, RETD. DE:

After our continuous persuasion and in response to our grievance filed with DoP&PW vide Docket No. DOPPW/E/2020/15400, CGMT Karnataka Circle, on 23.12.2020 had closed the docket stating that ‘... He has been exonerated by the designated court at Dharwad. To meet the above demands, VC is required. Action for seeking VC is under process. On receipt VC, all eligible payments will be made.’ Subsequently Karnataka Circle has also furnished the vigilance status to BSNL CO for issuing final retirement orders. AIBSNLREA has now written to PGM (Pers), BSNL CO to ensure issue of final retirement order without further delay. [View the letter](#)

19.07.2021: AIBSNLREA WRITES TO THE SECRETARY, PENSION REGARDING INACTION ON APPEAL FILED AGAINST CLOSURE OF GRIEVANCE DOCKET IN RESPECT OF SHRI A K DUBEY WITH OUT RESOLVING THE ISSUE:

AIBSNLREA has requested personal intervention of Secretary, Pension, pointing out that BSNL UP West circle is deliberately delaying resolution of the grievance of the distressed Pensioner on the plea that no guidelines have been issued by BSNL, while all other circles are condoning the delay as per DOT No.36-14/88-NB/T/Pen dt 25.06.1990, which was issued before formation of BSNL and therefore any question of BSNL endorsing it or issuing guidelines on it does not arise and has requested review the grievance redressal process in this case and cause resolution of the grievance of Shri Ajay Kumar Dubey without further delay. [View the letter](#)

15.07.2021: AIBSNLREA WRITES TO THE CGM ITPC, PUNE REGARDING THE DISCREPANCIES IN BROADBAND BILLS OF BSNL PENSIONERS FOR THE BILLING PERIOD 1.6.2021 TO 30.6.2021 IN RESPECT OF CONCESSION AVAILABLE TO BSNL RETIRED EMPLOYEES FOR BROADBAND CONNECTION AT THEIR RESIDENCE UNDER CHENNAI TELEPHONES:

It has been brought to our notice that there are discrepancies in broadband bills of BSNL pensioners residing in Chennai Telephones area for the billing period 1.6.2021 to 30.6.2021 in respect of concession available to BSNL retired employees for broadband connection at their residences. Instead of 60% concession, the bill shows only 10% concession. Similar cases were reported in Tamilnadu circle too. AIBSNLREA has since written to the CGM, ITPC, Pune requesting him to look into the matter, order remedial action as required and also cause issue of fresh bills for the period 1.6.2021 to 30.6.2021 in respect of all similar cases. [View the letter](#)

14.07.2021: AIBSNLREA WRITES TO THE MINISTER OF FINANCE REQUESTING TO ADVISE THE BANKS FOR REVISING THE ADDITIONAL INTEREST RATE AVAILABLE TO SENIOR CITIZENS FROM 0.5% TO 1%:

Referring to RBI response to AIBSNLREA's earlier representation addressed to PM, according to which in terms of para 8 (b) of its Master Direction, banks shall formulate term deposit scheme specifically for resident senior citizens, offering higher and fixed rate of interest as compared to normal deposits of any size. AIBSNLREA has now requested the MoF to impress upon all the banks about the extreme hardship faced by the senior citizens due to the ever-reducing interest rates for fixed deposits and advise the banks to revise the additional interest from 0.5% to 1%. [View the letter](#)

13.07.2021: AIBSNLREA WRITES TO THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS & IT REQUESTING HIS PERSONAL INTERVENTION IN THE MATTER OF NON-PAYMENT OF CLAIMS FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF MEDICAL EXPENDITURE IN RESPECT OF RETIRED BSNL EMPLOYEES SINCE FY 2018-19:

Serious concern has arisen from BSNL letter calling of fresh options for medical claims and resubmission of documents like cancelled cheque in original, PAN card, Address Proof, with the condition that the claims for the period 2020-21 will be released only if these documents are submitted by 10.08.2021, whether the payment for claims for the years 2018-19, 2019-20 will ever be released at all. AIBSNLREA has represented to the new MOC, requesting his personal intervention and directions to BSNL administration to allot required fund for clearing all the pending medical claims of the retired employees, both for outdoor treatment with and without voucher and for hospital treatment and resolve the grievances immediately. [View the letter](#)

10.07.2021: AIBSNLREA WRITES TO SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF POSTS, REQUESTING ISSUE OF INSTRUCTIONS TO ALL POST OFFICES FOR PROVIDING PENSION SLIP THROUGH SMS AND EMAIL :

Referring to DoP&PW OM No.1(4)/2021-P&PW(H)-7223 dated 22nd June 2021 wherein all Banks were requested to issue pension slip to pensioners after credit of pension on their registered mobile numbers through SMS and email, AIBSNLREA has written to Secretary, Department of Posts requesting him to issue similar instructions to all its Post Office Branches for providing pension details every month to the pensioners drawing pension through Post Offices. [View the letter](#)

09.07.2021: AIBSNLREA WRITES TO DIRECTOR (HR) BSNL REQUESTING WITHDRAWAL OF BSNL letter No.BSNLCO/4/2021-ESTT FIN datd 07.07.2021 AS IT SEEKS TO HARASS THE RETIRED EMPLOYEES:

BSNL has issued an order vide its letter No.BSNLCO/4/2021/ESTT FIN dated 07.07.2021,[published in this site today] calling for fresh option from the retirees to avail the medical cash allowance facility for the financial year 2020-21, in the requisite format along with updated bank details, self-attested copy of PAN card, cancelled cheque leaf in original, address proof and working mobile number plus one additional mobile number. AIBSNLREA has written to Director (HR) expressing our disgust that BSNL, which has been treating its retired employees with utmost contempt in respect of reimbursement of their medical expenses, now wants to put them in unwarranted trouble, making them run around to collect the documents from banks and xerox copies from shops. This at a time when the Government has warned the Indian citizens of complacency against the Corona virus and has advised elders to remain at home. We are unable to understand the necessity of this exercise when all the details are already available with the SSAs concerned. AIBSNLREA has requested withdrawal of the letter, else to modify it so as to necessitate submission of option only by those who want to change from one scheme

to other and submission of details/documents only by those for whom there have been any change/changes. [View the letter](#)



GOVERNMENT / BSNL ORDERS & LETTERS

26.07.2021: PCAT NEW DELHI ORDERS EXTENSION OF BENEFIT OF INCREMENT THAT FALLS DUE ON THE NEXT DAY AFTER RETIREMENT:

While disposing of a batch of OAs, PCAT New Delhi has ordered that (a) for such of the employees, who retired on 30th June of any particular year, increment payable on 1st July shall be extended. Their pensions shall also be revised, subject to their fulfilling other conditions which are applicable. The arrears that become due shall be paid without interest;

(b) Similarly for employees, who retired on 31st December of a particular year, the increment payable on the 1st January of the next year shall be extended and pension revised, subject to same conditions in the same manner.

(c) While extending such benefits, a clause shall be incorporated to the effect that in case the Hon'ble Supreme Court takes a different view in the Civil Appeal arising out of SLP No.4722/2021, they shall be under obligation to refund the entire benefit without any demur. The aforesaid exercise shall be completed within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. [View the PCAT New Delhi order](#)

16.07.2021: CPAO, DOE DIRECTS CREDIT OF PENSION ON THE BASIS OF E-PPO FIRST, FOLLOWED BY SUBSEQUENT VERIFICATION WITH PHYSICAL PPO:

CPAO, Department of Expenditure vide its F.No.O/o-13012(12)/3/2021-IT Technical/40 dated 12.07.2021 has directed all Heads of CPPCs of authorised banks to ensure that credit of the first pension into the account of pensioner/family pensioner is carried out immediately on the basis of e-PPO and e-SSA received from the CPAO. On receipt of the physical PPO booklet, the CPPC of banks will verify the details. [View the CPAO, DOE O.M](#)

14.07.2021: CABINET APPROVES INCREASE IN DEARNESS ALLOWANCE AND DEARNESS RELIEF FOR THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES/PENSIONERS:

According to a Press Release today by Press Information Bureau, The Cabinet Committee chaired by the Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today has approved increase the Dearness Allowance to Central Government employees and Dearness Relief to pensioners with effect from 01.07.2021 to 28% representing an increase of 11% over the existing rate of 17% of the Basic Pay/Pension. In view of the unprecedented situation which arose due to the COVID-19 pandemic, three additional instalments of Dearness Allowance (DA) to Central Government employees and Dearness Relief (DR) to pensioners, which were due from 01.01.2020, 01.07.2020 and 01.01.2021, had been frozen. Now, the Government has decided to increase the Dearness Allowance to Central Government employees and Dearness Relief to pensioners with effect from 01.07.2021 to 28% representing an increase of 11% over the existing rate of 17% of the Basic Pay/Pension. The increase reflects the additional instalments arising on 01.01.2020, 01.07.2020 and 01.01.2021. The rate of Dearness Allowance/Dearness Relief for the period 01.01.2020 to 30.06.2021 shall remain at 17%. [In respect of CPSE executives, we expect the DPE to issue orders releasing the frozen IDA, specifying the increase in IDA w.e.f. 01.07.2021 over the 159.9% IDA drawn before 01.10.2020. According to our calculations the increase will be 13.7% taking the IDA w.e.f. 01.07.2021 to 173.6%.]

13.07.2021: NO PERMISSION TO JOIN ANOTHER CPSE ON CONTRACTUAL BASIS AFTER RETIRING VOLUNTARILY UNDER BSNL VRS 2019:

BSNL vide its O.M No.A-41/12/1/2020/ESTAB dated 13th July 2021, referring to DoT O.M. No.19-1/2019-SU-1 dated 25.06.2021 which has clarified that engagement in CPSE/Government on contractual/consultancy basis would also qualify as re-employment, has said that request/application from VRS 2019 retirees be rejected and any such permission already granted be withdrawn. [View the letter](#)

09.07.2021: BSNL CALLS FOR FRESH OPTION FOR REVALIDATION OF BSNL MEDICAL CARD AND PAYMENT OF MEDICAL CASH ALLOWANCE WITHOUT VOUCHER:

BSNL has issued an order vide its letter No.BSNLCO/4/2021/ESTT FIN dated 07.07.2021, calling for fresh option from the retirees to avail the medical cash allowance facility for the financial year 2020-21, in the requisite format along with updated bank details, self-attested copy of PAN card, cancelled cheque leaf in original, address proof and working mobile number plus one additional mobile number. It says payment of MEDICAL CASH ALLOWANCE for the year FY 2020-21 will be released only to those retired officers/officials whose fresh option Form with the requisite documents is received in LA section [in case of corporate office]/designated person in circle office latest by 10.08.2021. Payment of outdoor medical claim with voucher for the year FY 2020-21 will be released only to those who retired officers/officials whose validated medical card is received in LA section [in case of corporate office]/designated person in circle office latest by 10.08.2021. All the circles/units will have to call the options online as early as possible. [View the BSNL order](#)

05.07.2021: BSNL ANNOUNCES POLICY FOR PROVISION OF CONCESSIONAL FTTH CONNECTIONS TO SERVING/RETIRED EMPLOYEES OF BSNL:

BSNL has issued a circular conveying approval of Management Committee of BSNL for provision of concessional FTTH connection to serving/retired Executive as well as Non-Executive employees in BSNL area only. The concession will be 40% on plan charges with ceiling of Rs.300 per month. In MTNL area, the existing guidelines for providing concessional broadband only will continue. FTTH connections already working in private capacity or availed under 10% concession will be allowed to be migrated to eligible concessional plan if requested by the employee. GSM in lieu of RSTC/CTC provided in TNF area will be withdrawn after provisioning FTTH. [It may be recollected that BSNL had responded to AIBSNLREA letter dated 30.12.2020 stating that "your suggestion to extend the facility to the retired employee is welcome and the same may be considered a appropriate time in future taking into account its viability and market dynamics etc. [View the BSNL response](#) [View the BSNL circular](#)

03.07.2021: DOPT CITES SUPREME COURT ORDER IN SLP(C) NO. 4722/2021, STAYING OPERATION OF CAT BANGALORE ORDER ALLOWING NOTIONAL INCREMENT FOR PENSIONARY BENEFITS WHERE THE ANNUAL INCREMENT IS DUE ON THE DAY NEXT TO DATE OF RETIREMENT AND ASKS MINISTRIES/DEPARTMENTS TO DEFEND SIMILAR COURT CASES:

Hon'ble Supreme Court of India has issued orders staying operation of CAT Bangalore order allowing grant of notional increment and consequential pensionary benefits on the rationale of the order dated 15.09.2017 passed by Hon'ble High Court, Madras in WP 15732 of 2017 filed by Shri P.Ayyamperumal. Citing the order, DoP&T has requested all Ministries/Departments to defend similar cases. BSNL has circulated the said DoP&T OM, requesting all Circles/Units to suitably incorporate the guidelines of DoP&T while preparing Counter Reply in court cases in their jurisdictions. [View the BSNL letter](#)



RESPONSE/ACTION TAKEN ON AIBSNLREA'S REPRESENTATIONS

30.07.2021: BSNL RESPONDS TO AIBSNLREA LETTER DATED 19.04.2021 ADDRESSED TO DIRECTOR (HR) REQUESTING ALLOWING OUTDOOR MEDICAL CLAIMS WITH LATEST PRESCRIPTION AVAILABLE:

AIBSNLREA vide its letter dated 19.04.2021 addressed to Director (HR) BSNL had requested for issue of instructions to all Circles/Units that claims submitted with the latest available prescription for chronic illness, as a special case, be allowed till normalcy returns. BSNL has now responded stating that vide its office letter dated 03.05.2021, reimbursement has been allowed for Tele-consultation from a registered medical practitioner in India. [View the BSNL letter](#)

29.07.2021: ESTABLISHMENT SECTION OF BSNL CO COMMUNICATES TO AIBSNLREA ATTACHING THE CLARIFICATORY LETTER TO KOLKATTA TELEPHONES ON THE ISSUE OF PAY FIXATION OF TTA OFFICIATING AS JTO IN REVISED SECOND PRC PAY SCALE FROM THE DATE OF THEIR PROMOTION AS JTO:

In response to AIBSNLREA's earlier letter dated 02.03.2021 which was submitted in PG portal vide No.DOPPW/E/2021/07385, BSNL CO has now replied that the grievance is resolved by issue of clarification to Kolkata TD circle vide BSNL CO Letter no. BSNLCO-A/16(29)/2/2012-ESTAB dated 19.07.2021 and has enclosed the copy of the said letter [which has been published in this website on 22.07.2021]. [View the BSNL letter](#)

26.07.2021: IN RESPONSE TO REPEATED PERSUASION BY AIBSNLREA, BSNL CO ISSUES FINAL RETIREMENT ORDER IN RESPECT OF SHRI G P BIRADAR, RETD AGM, KARNATAKA CIRCLE:

AIBSNLREA has been pursuing since 03.08.2020 relentlessly, the case of non-issue of final superannuation pension, release of DCRG and grant of Commuted Value of Pension even after completion of judicial proceedings on 25.10.2018 to Shri G P Biradar, Retd AGM Karnataka Circle who retired on 31.12.2010. After Vigilance Status in his case had been sent to BSNL CO on 02.06.2021, AIBSNLREA followed it up with a request to PGM Pers BSNL CO on 20.07.2021, requesting early issue of final retirement order. While closing the related CPENGRAMS docket DOPPW/E/2021/25704, PGM Pers has stated that "the retirement order i.r.o. Shri G P Biradar is enclosed. The case may be closed." [View the BSNL letter](#) [View the PG Docket No.DOPPW/E/2020/25704](#)

22.07.2021: ESTABLISHMENT SECTION OF BSNL CO SENDS ANOTHER CLARIFICATORY LETTER TO KOLKATTA TELEPHONES ON THE ISSUE OF PAY FIXATION OF TTA OFFICIATING AS JTO IN REVISED SECOND PRC PAY SCALE FROM THE DATE OF THEIR PROMOTION AS JTO:

In continuation of our letter to GM Establishment on 20.10.2020, appearing in CPENGRAMS Docket No.DOPPW/E/2020/24019 [quoted by GM Estt letter] and subsequent letters dated 30.03.2021 and 28.06.2021 contesting the CTD's revised fixation methodology, Establishment Section of BSNL CO has issued another clarification to CTD administration vide No.BSNLCO-A/16(29)/2/2021-ESTAB dated 19th July 2021, categorically stating that the BSNL CO letter dated 22.12.2015 is a general instruction on the method of pay fixation of officials who were officiating in the cadre of JTO as on 01.01.2007 and continue to officiate as JTO(T). The letter also specifically mentions that the judgement of Ernakulam CAT, being mentioned by CTD, relates to a different issue where option under para 3.6 is not applicable. Further it stipulates the method of pay fixation as per para 3.6 of BSNL order dated 07.05.2010. [View the GM Estt., BSNL CO letter](#) [View the PG Docket No.DOPPW/E/2020/24019](#)

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