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Dated 18th Aug.,21.

To

Sh. Ali Raza Rizvi,
Secy/DPE, Ministry of Finance,
North Block, New Delhi 110001.

Sub; Request for immediate kind personal intervention to immediately set right the glaring and unwarranted discrepancy in matter of payment of IDA to pensioners of BSNL/MTNL while unfreezing it.

Ref OM no W-02/0039/2017-DPE(WC)/GL-11/21 dated 02-08-2021, W-02/0002/2014-DE(WC)-GL111/2021dated02-08-2021and W-02/004/2014-DPE(WC)-GL-1V/2021 dated 03-08-2021.

Respected Sir,

At the very outset, we have absolutely no hesitation in apprising you of unprecedented bureaucratic red tape in which DPE has been engulfed for decades together. It is unfortunate that despite stern warnings by the Hon'ble PM of the Nation to Indian bureaucracy to mend their functioning and shed completely bureaucratic red tape inherited by them during British era, the bureaucracy in DPE is completely unmoved and unaffected by what the Hon'ble PM has been exhorting upon them.

Employees of CPSUs have right assessment and correct feeling that the discrepancy in payment of IDA to its employees, after freezing it on 1.10.2020, is not at all because of some error in calculation of IDA, but

exclusively, and we are pretty confident about , that it is a deliberate and calculated move of the bureaucracy in DPE to continue doing what it has have been up to all through and are not giving it up.

What is baffling is that where and for what reasons the discrepancy is created. On what basis have concerned officers in DPE arrived at the conclusion that the revised IDA rates for below the board level executives w e f 1.07. 21, after having been frozen from 1.10.20, should be based on April,21, not including increase in IDA as on 1st, July,21? How has IDA increase from July, 21 disappeared? The actual increase in IDA from 1.7.21 should be 24.6% for those who got revision of pay scales in 2017, 173.6% for 2007 pay revision and 361.9% for those who got pay revision in 1997. Instead, irrationally, arbitrarily and intentionally it has been fixed at 23.2%, 170.5% and 356.7% respectively for 2017, 2007 and 1997.

This deliberate and calculated discrepancy created by the bureaucrats in DPE clearly gets exposed when one looks at existing IDA of non executives which was not frozen and stands at 24.6%, 173.6% and 361.9% for those whose got wage revision in 2017, 2007 and 1997 respectively. What else is needed to unambiguously establish deliberate and calculated conspiracy to create this discrepancy by high handed bureaucrats in DPE in so far as increase in IDA of executives is concerned?

You might be wondering in what context pensioners of BSNL/MTNL are affected by this discrepancy and what locus stand does a retired Association of pensioners of BSNL/MTNL have in this regard. Sir, pensioners of BSNL/MTNL are adversely affected by this glaring and unwarranted discrepancy as much as working executives of CPSEs are affected since our pension is paid by the Central Govt. in accordance to 1972 CCS pension rules and any increase or decrease in IDA affects us in manner identical to serving executives of CPSEs.

Finally, our humble submission to you is that this discrepancy will not be sorted out by concerned officers in DPE unless they are held accountable and in very clear terms asked to correct this created anomaly at the

earliest. Needless to say, lingering on this discrepancy will be met with a very stiff and unyielding opposition and very tough protests from our side which might eventually constrain us to come out on streets, if not addressed as expeditiously as possible. This fact I am conveying you keeping in view deep anguish and disgust that pensioners of BSNL/MTNL and working executives of CPSEs have been expressing since these arbitrary orders have been issued by DPE. We are pretty confident that under your leadership, this anomaly will be addressed with the kind of seriousness and urgency that it deserves for obvious reasons.

Sincerely Yours,



(G.L.Jogi)

Copy to;

1. Dr T.V. Somanathan, F.S. and Secy/Expenditure. He is requested to get relevant, complete and correct information on the issue from DPE. It seems D.O.E has been misled by DPE.
2. Sh. Anshu Prakash, Secy/DOT, for information please.
3. Sh. Rajesh K Chaudhry, Additional Secy/DPE. He is requested to set right the anomaly without further delay.
4. Sh. Sanjay Kumar Jain, Joint Secy/DPE, for information and immediate n/a please.
5. Sh. P.K.Saha, Director (wage cell)/DPE. He is requested not to keep the issue lingering on flimsy and non- existent grounds.
6. Sk. R.K. Purwar, CMD/BSNL, for information please.
7. Sh. Arvind Vadnerkar, Dir(HR)/BSNL, for information please.
8. MS Yojana Das, Director(finance)/BSNL, for information please.