

Dated: 25.11.2023 at New Delhi

Implementation of the Judgment of Hon'ble PB CAT ND dated 20/09/2023 on Pension Revision of MTNL/BSNL Absorbed Combined Service Pensioners w.e.f. 01/01/2017 and devising a foolproof mechanism for future Pension Revision of Absorbed BSNL/ MTNL Pensioners.

To

Sh. Ashwini Vaishnav Ji,

Hon'ble MOC & IT,

Sanchar Bhawan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001

Hon'ble Sir,

Kindly refer the judgment of the Hon'ble PB CAT ND on 20/09/2023 on Pension Revision of Absorbed Combined Service Pensioners of BSNL/MTNL wef 01/01/2017 with the directives to implement the same within 10 weeks of receipt of the judgement copy.

Sir, we would like to bring to your kind notice Para nos. 26 to 30 of the operative portion of the judgment (Copy enclosed for ready reference), which in very clear and strong terms justify and validate our legitimate demand of Pension Revision and direct the respondents to honor their own orders, as specified for pension and family pension on IDA as per Rule 37A of CCS Pension Rules 2021. Further, the judgment specifies that the government cannot retract from its promises/responsibilities, stated in black and white in its orders. It is clarified that benefits of revision of pension and family pension as modified by the Central Government on the recommendation of the pay commission shall stand extended in favour of the applicants analogous to the revision of such pension in the case of Central Government pensioners.

Sir, the said issue is pending since long for one reason or the other. After your taking over charge of MOC, we are thankful that you could understand and appreciate our stand and proceeded with sincere efforts to resolve the long pending issue of Pension Revision of Absorbed Combined Service Pensioners of BSNL/MTNL and under your decisive direction the issue started moving in a positive direction. But unfortunately, till now it could not come to its logical conclusion, even though the relevant rules and the Court verdict demand the same.

The government had given a solemn assurance of better prospects of pension payment from the consolidated fund of the Government. Accordingly, necessary amendments were made in the CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972 in the form of Rule 37A.

Already, thousands of Pensioners/Family Pensioners of BSNL/MTNL have left for heavenly abode desperate and depressing wait. The Pensioners/Family Pensioners are too much frustrated due to the abnormal delay of more than 6 years in settling their legitimate and justified right of Pension/Family Pension Case.

So, in the light of the said judgment of PB CAT ND of dated 20/09/2023 on Pension/Family Revision, we, on behalf of about 4.5 lakh BSNL and MTNL pensioners, wish to draw your kind attention towards the subject matter and earnestly request for your kind intervention to issue suitable directives to the concerned authorities to implement the said judgment in its true letter and spirit at the earliest possible.

We have no doubt that without your kind intervention the issue will linger on denying the eligible seniors their rightful claim because like many of their colleagues, they may also close their eyes in the meantime. Your kind and humane action in this regard shall be highly appreciated, Sir.

With kind regards.

Yours sincerely,



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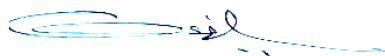
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