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To

Shri C Vishwanath,  
Secretary (Pension),  
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New Delhi 110003.

**Sub: Gross violation of Pension Rules to revise the pension, once authorized, to the disadvantage of the pensioners by the Principal Controller of Communication Accounts, Tamilnadu Circle, Chennai – Cases of absorbed BSNL pensioners drawing Pension from the Government under Rule 37-A of CCS (Pension) Rules 1972.**

Sir,

We find no alternative but to approach you to protect the rights of some absorbed BSNL pensioners, as provided in the Pension Rules, whose pension which were authorized some ten years back, have been revised to their disadvantage now.

2. The Principal Controller of Communication Accounts, Tamilnadu Circle of Department of Telecommunications, while revising the pension of some of the retired BSNL Executives (pensioners) with the fitment benefit by merger of 78.2% DA/DR, has revised their pension to their disadvantage. Their pension has now been reduced which is not permissible under the Pension Rules. These pensioners, while in service, were allowed pay-fixation benefit, when promoted on local officiating basis to the grade of Divisional Engineer (STS equivalent), as per the Pay-fixation Rules available at that time. However, this pay fixation benefit was discontinued as per BSNL Order No. 400-175/2007-Pers.I dated 19/2/2010 and then partially restored vide No.400-11/2011-Pers.I(Pt) dated 28/2/2017. Since these Pensioners retired before issue of these Orders, their Pension on retirement was fixed based on their last pay drawn. Now after a gap of over 10 years, their pension has been revised and reduced to their disadvantage, while issuing revised PPO with 78.2% fitment benefit.

3. In this context, we would like to submit that as per Rule 70 of CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972, pension once authorized after final assessment shall not be revised to the disadvantage of the Pensioners on the ground other than misconduct under Rule 8 and Rule 9 or this becomes necessary on account of detection of clerical error subsequently. Moreover, no revision of pension to the disadvantage of the pensioners shall be ordered by the Head of Office without the


concurrence of the Department of Pension and Pensioners' Welfare if the clerical error is detected after a period of two years from the date of authorization of pension. The question whether it is a case of clerical error or not would be decided by the administrative Ministry.

4. We further submit that the cases of the pensioners referred to by us are not connected with any "misconduct". Moreover, these cases are also not related to any "clerical error" in authorization of pension. Their pension, at the time of their retirement, were duly authorized on their last pay drawn which they earned as per the rules prevalent at that time.

5. In view of the above, we earnestly request you to kindly intervene in the matter and bestow justice to the hapless affected pensioners. The Department of Telecommunications may kindly be advised to adhere to the Pension Rules and restore the original pension authorized and the revise the same as and when due.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

  
(S. Basu)

General Secretary

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