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Editorial

ILLUSIONS COLLAPSE – AIBSNLREA WAS RIGHT ALL ALONG

The judgment delivered by the Hon'ble Delhi High Court on 1st July 2026 marks a decisive and long-awaited turning point in the debate on pension revision for BSNL/MTNL absorbed pensioners. By setting aside the Principal Bench of CAT, New Delhi order dated 20.09.2023, the Court has restored legal clarity that had been clouded for years by misinterpretations and misplaced expectations. The Court's 108-page verdict is a meticulous, document-based analysis of the entire issue, examining every argument advanced by both DoT and the three pensioner associations. In doing so, it has categorically held that the "*impugned order (of PCAT) proceeds on an erroneous understanding of the scope of Rule 37A and the legal consequences of absorption in BSNL/MTNL and, therefore, cannot be sustained*."

The Court has framed the central question – "*whether the respondents, being erstwhile employees of the DoT and thereafter choosing to be permanently absorbed in BSNL and MTNL, are entitled to revision of pension in accordance with the recommendations of the 7th CPC*"—and has answered it with unambiguous clarity. It has held that BSNL combined service pensioners "*do not stand on the same footing as Central Government employees. Upon absorption, they ceased to be Government servants*"; that "*they are fitted in the IDA scale and are subject to the rules of the PSU*"; and that "*Rule 37A (8) only extends the formula at the time of retirement, i.e., with respect to fixation of pension. This Rule cannot automatically mean that the absorbees (combined service pensioners) in PSUs are entitled to revision of their pension pursuant to CPC recommendation*." The Court has further reiterated that "*IDA and CDA scales are distinct and exclusive of one other. Employee governed by either structure form separate classes for the purposes of service jurisprudence*"; that "*the respondents confined their prayer to revision of pension based on multiplier of 2.57 in terms of OM dated 04.08.2016; the respondents are combined service pensioners and do not draw separate monthly pension from the Government after permanent absorption in BSNL/MTNL*"; "OM dated 12.05.2017 does not apply to the respondents"; that "The source of payment does not determine the nature or extent of the right" and that "*the principle that pension bears a direct nexus with the pay last drawn stands firmly recognized in service jurisprudence*."

The Court's observations go to the heart of the matter. It has held that "*pension is intrinsically linked with pay*" and that "*pension is not an isolated entitlement divorced from the pay structure of the employee*." It has quoted the Cabinet Note dated 29.12.2010 to reaffirm that "*pension is linked to the pay drawn at the time of retirement and hence, revision of pension is linked to pay revision of existing employees*." It has concluded that "*pension cannot be revised in vacuum in ordinary course, divorced from revision in the underlying pay structure, unless expressly authorized by statute or executive policy*." In the absence of any revision of IDA pay scales under 3rd PRC, the Court has held that "*in the absence of any*

revision of the respondents' IDA pay scales, this Court cannot grant revision of pension under IDA scale based on CPC recommendations pertaining to CDA pensioners under the 7th CPC scale since their underlying pay has not been revised. If the respondents' pay were revised, they would be entitled to consequential revision in pension in terms of Rule 37A." **It has concluded decisively that "*since the underlying pay structure applicable to the respondents has not been revised as per the 3rd PRC, the question of consequential revision of pension does not arise*."**

This judgment is not merely a legal pronouncement. It is a complete and emphatic vindication of AIBSNLREA's unwavering understanding of the issue. For more than a decade, AIBSNLREA stood alone on the side of truth, logic, and law, even when every other BSNL pensioner association chose to play to the gallery. When others advanced illusionary ideas that BSNL absorbees were "Central Government pensioners," AIBSNLREA patiently explained why this was legally incorrect. When others insisted that Rule 37A required treating BSNL pensioners at par with Central Government pensioners, AIBSNLREA demonstrated through GS Reports of AICs Madurai, Kolkata and Varanasi, and through numerous Editorials that Rule 37A deals with fixation, not revision. When others propagated the false hope that pension revision based on CPC scales was achievable, AIBSNLREA consistently warned that such claims were built on misquoting of rules and half-truths. When others misinterpreted facts to suit popular sentiment, AIBSNLREA refused to compromise on correctness. This perseverance, this commitment to truth, and this refusal to mislead pensioners have now been fully validated by the Delhi High Court, whose reasoning is in exact alignment with the views/understanding of the whole matter by AIBSNLREA. The Court's verdict reads almost like a judicial endorsement of AIBSNLREA's studied interpretation of Rule 37A and the linkage between pay revision and pension revision.

AIBSNLREA has also consistently explained the essence of the Nakara judgment, that disparity in pension between past and future pensioners cannot be created solely on the basis of retirement date. It has repeatedly pointed out that delinking pension revision from pay revision would create exactly such disparity, with pre-revision retirees receiving higher pension than post-revision retirees. This would defeat the very purpose of pension revision and violate the spirit of Nakara. AIBSNLREA's clarity on this point, too, stands reinforced by the Court's reasoning.

During the period before Madurai AIC, senior leaders of AIBSNLREA made sincere and intense efforts, but in vain, to find a workable solution to face a situation where pay revision remained unachieved and pension revision could somehow be implemented without creating disparity between present and future pensioners. It was precisely for this reason that AIBSNLREA has all along maintained that it remains receptive to any practical solution proposed by anyone, provided such suggestions do not create disparity in pension between pre-2017 and post-2017 pensioners. This principled stance, rooted in fairness and constitutional logic, further underscores AIBSNLREA's commitment to truth and its refusal to endorse any proposal that would benefit one section of pensioners at the cost of another.

For this reason, AIBSNLREA wants DoT to take forward its 2022 proposal, but with at least a fitment of 5% instead of 'Nil' proposed by DoT. Because there is no provision for 'Nil' fitment in the Government orders on 3rd PRC recommendations and 'Nil' fitment in practice will mean 'no increase in pension.' But we are aware of the hurdles too: DoT's proposal will require amendment of rule 37 (15)(a) and rule 44 (1) of CCS (Pension) Rules, 2021. While examining the DoT's proposal in the year 2022, DoP&PW had stated that "*the question of relaxation may be considered as and when need arises*" (for allowing pension fixation based on notional pay) and did not commit itself. DoP&PW then sought to shift responsibility to DoE, advising DoT to consult DoE before finalizing the proposal. In light of

the Delhi High Court's observations, whether DoT will NOW be willing to pursue its proposal further and in that case whether it will be able to secure approval for the necessary amendments in CCS Pension rules remains to be seen.

The path forward is now unmistakably clear. Pension revision for BSNL absorbed pensioners is possible only through pay revision of BSNL employees. AIBSNLREA has long advocated relaxation of the affordability clause for BSNL and suggested that DoT move a Cabinet Note. It had listed the justifications for relaxing the conditions. This is a subject matter of one of the resolutions passed in AIC Varanasi too. It needs to be noted that DoT itself had clarified that its proposal (of 2022) was only a temporary arrangement and that once 3rd PRC is implemented, the same fitment factor would be extended to all pensioners. Thus, the matter ultimately returns to the unresolved issue of pay revision in BSNL/MTNL.

A valuable decade has been lost, because BSNL pensioner associations misled their members with false hopes, and because service unions and associations sidetracked the matter of pay revision by demanding delinking of pension revision from pay revision. BSNL pensioner associations have limited or no role in pay revision, yet their diversionary campaigns weakened the momentum for resolving the core issue. The future of BSNL pensioners cannot afford another decade of confusion, misdirection, and misplaced priorities. At least now, after the Delhi High Court has shut the door on CPC-based pension revision and has conclusively held that "*since the underlying pay structure applicable to the respondents has not been revised as per the 3rd PRC, the question of consequential revision of pension does not arise*", both pensioner associations and BSNL service unions must do the right thing. Chasing legally impossible fantasies will not help. They must focus on the only viable path - pay revision of BSNL employees. AIBSNLREA will, as it has always done, continue its unwavering journey to secure what is rightful, just, and best for BSNL pensioners.⊖

Important Developments of the Month

The monthly virtual meeting of AIBSNLREA CHQ office bearers was held on 01.06.2026 under the Presidentship of Com.V.Chinnapappiah, CHQ President. President welcomed the participants. Com.Rakesh Sethi, AGS, then made a brief speech explaining the rationale behind our Memorandum to 8th CPC on additional quantum of pension after the age of 65, 70 and 75 years. Com.R.S.Sandhu then briefly explained the contents of our memorandum to 8th CPC on increase in FMA and expansion of CGHS to all district headquarters. General Secretary, then detailed the developments during May 2026, pointing out that AIBSNLREA played an effective and measured role in resolution of IDA revision matter without creating unwarranted alarm. He appreciated the consistent efforts of AGS Com. Rakesh Sethi, whose visits to DoT helped establish that there was no basis for denying IDA revision to BSNL pensioners and ensured timely updates to members. He made mention about resolution of the years-long grievance of Com.M.N.Chavda. Expressing disappointment over the last-minute obstacle that led to rejection of the Presidential Order for Com. H. S. Sutaria, he assured that the matter would be pursued further after obtaining the Supreme Court order cited as the reason for denial. Efforts to secure a meeting

with DoP&PW officials have not yet succeeded, but he remained confident that the Maharashtra ST community revalidation issue and the demand for interest on delayed gratuity could be resolved through continued escalation. With one more ITAT joining ITAT Chandigarh in allowing full income tax exemption on ex-gratia received by BSNL VRS retirees, the matter has gathered momentum and AIBSNLREA will press further for a common order by CBDT, he said. He requested all to focus on increasing membership in the coming months. All the CHQ office bearers then shared updates on the organisational activities in their respective areas. The President commended their active involvement and concluded the meeting by advising everyone to prioritise their personal health.

Issues taken up

29.06.2026: AIBSNLREA WRITES TO THE CGCA, DOT REGARDING NON-AVAILABILITY OF FORM 16 AND NON-REFLECTION OF PENSION PAID IN PRE-FILLED ITR-I:

AIBSNLREA has written to the CGCA, DoT, pointing out that while Section 203 of the Income Tax Act mandates filing of Form 24Q by PDAs in cases where TDS has been deducted, there appears to be no restriction on filing Annexure II with Form 24Q in the last quarter of the financial year in respect of all pensioners, even where there is no tax element and requesting her to advise all CCAs, particularly Delhi, Odisha and Tamil Nadu, to immediately file Annexure-II of Form 24Q in respect of all pensioners and to enable downloading of Form 16 without further delay so as to ensure that pension details correctly appear in the pre filled ITR forms. View the letter

22.06.2026: AIBSNLREA AGAIN WRITES TO THE SECRETARY DOT REGARDING RESCINDING OF DOT LETTER DATED 30.01.2025:

Following issue of a letter dated 09.06.2026 by DoT stating that gratuity and commutation may be released only to those retirees "who have applied for caste verification" even while the verification is pending, AIBSNLREA has again written to the Secretary, DoT drawing his attention to the fact that "DoT letter dated 30.01.2025 appears to be an unfortunate departure from the otherwise clear, consistent and legally sound position earlier taken by the DoT through its OM dated 30.12.2021, letter dated 22.03.2022 and OM dated 04.04.2022. The said letter dated 30.01.2025 seems to have been issued on two assumptions—first, that the mention of pending caste verification in the vigilance clearance created dilemma among CCAs, and second, that administrative prudence required deviation from the DoP&PW OM dated 30.11.2021. Both assumptions, however, stand contrary to the explicit instructions of DoP&T and DoP&PW and to the DoT's own earlier clarifications. Our request to rescind the letter dated 30.01.2025 is therefore not out of insistence, but out of a sincere belief that restoring DoT's earlier, correct position will bring much needed relief to the affected BSNL VRS 2019 retirees, who are not at fault." View the letter

09.06.2026: AIBSNLREA SUBMITS A REQUEST TO CVC FOR FURTHER INTERVENTION IN THE ALREADY REGISTERED COMPLAINT REGARDING PROCEDURALLY INVALID CHARGE SHEETS ISSUED TO BSNL PENSIONERS BY MAHARASHTRA TELECOM CIRCLE:

AIBSNLREA has drawn the attention of Central Vigilance Commissioner, CVC, New Delhi to the lack of progress in the already registered complaint, arising from its representation dated 08.09.2025 addressed to the CMD BSNL with a copy marked to CVC and has requested him to take up the matter once again with the CVO BSNL, to ensure that a clear and time-bound report is obtained from CGMT Maharashtra Circle and to direct appropriate action so that the procedurally invalid chargesheets are withdrawn. View the letter

04.06.2026: FOLLOWING RESPONSE FROM CBDT, AIBSNLREA WRITES TO THE JOINT SECRETARY TPL-II CBDT REQUESTING IMMEDIATE CLARIFICATORY INSTRUCTIONS TO ENSURE UNIFORM TAX TREATMENT FOR EX-GRATIA RECEIVED BY BSNL VRS 2019 RETIREES:

With reference to our letter addressed to the Prime Minister of India, CBDT has informed us that "This is not a grievance but rather a suggestion for change w.r.t certain provisions of the Income-tax Act,1961. Accordingly, it is requested that the suggestion may be sent to the office of JS, TPL-2, RNO: 147-C, Ministry of Finance, Deptt. of Revenue, North Block, New Delhi -110001, Tel: 011-23092859 or be forwarded at the email ids – jstpl1@nic.in and jstpl2@nic.in. Hence, this matter is being treated as settled and closed for not being a grievance matter but rather a suggestion for changes in the Income-tax Act,1961." As suggested by CBDT, we have now submitted a request to the Joint Secretary, Tax Policy and Litigation, CBDT, to initiate necessary action for issuance of a clarification, in view of several ITATs allowing full exemption to BSNL VRS retirees.

VRS retirees who have not yet applied for condonation of delay and refund of the excess TDS recovered, as per earlier guidance by AIBSNLREA, may now submit their applications without further delay, either independently or with the assistance of an auditor. Those whose applications have been rejected by the ITO/CCIT may file an appeal before the jurisdictional ITAT. View the letter

02.06.2026: AIBSNLREA REGISTERS AN APPEAL AGAINST UNJUST CLOSURE OF GRIEVANCE BY LUCKNOW BA:

AIBSNLREA had requested intervention of Secretary, DoT vide our letter dated 22.04.2026, for immediate intervention for release of long-pending medical claims of Shri R.K.Tandon, Retd AGM, Lucknow, drawing his attention to an earlier reply from PGM BA Lucknow stating that "the case is presently under process for compliance and further action will be taken shortly, in accordance with the directions received." But with reference to our letter to Secretary, DoT, O/o PGM BA Lucknow has now replied that "the matter was referred to the higher authorities for further clarification, and accordingly case is presently under process and further action will be taken in accordance with the directions received." AIBSNLREA has submitted an appeal stating that "This grievance continues to remain unresolved despite the earlier communication from DoT to the CGM UP (East) dated 24.12.2025, wherein the Director (Staff-II), DoT,

had clearly stated that "it is requested to please expedite the resolution of the case and inform the resolution to the complainant and undersigned ASAP. The matter is very urgent as this PG case is under monitoring by Minister of Communications." In spite of the matter being under the kind monitoring of the Minister of Communications, the grievance has been closed at the local BSNL unit with a routine reply, without any substantive action on the core issue. This situation undermines the purpose and spirit of the grievance redressal mechanism and causes continued hardship to the affected pensioner. It is therefore requested that DoT may kindly ensure that the long pending grievance is resolved at the earliest, in accordance with the directions already issued." View the reply and AIBSNLREA appeal

01.06.2026: AIBSNLREA NOW WRITES TO THE SECRETARY DOT REGARDING ENABLING DOWNLOADABLE PENSIONER ID CARD FACILITY IN SAMPANN:

Having failed to get the matter resolved even after several communications addressed to the CGCA, DoT, AIBSNLREA has now sought the intervention of Secretary, DoT, requesting that the facility to download the Pensioner Identity Card from SAMPANN be approved and implemented without further delay, and that CGCA, DoT may be instructed to prioritise this feature in SAMPANN, as already assured in December 2024. View the letter

GOVERNMENT/BSNL ORDERS & LETTERS

26.06.2026: REVISION OF DELEGATION OF FINANCIAL POWERS - CGHS:

Department of Health & Family Welfare vide its OM No.Z.15025/14/2/DIR/CGHS dated 25.06.2026 has revised delegation of financial powers to competent authorities for Medical Reimbursement Claims/Hospital Bills, unlisted investigations/procedures/implants and permissions/ex-post facto approvals, in respect of pensioner CGHS beneficiaries and other eligible beneficiaries, including serving CGHS employees. View the DoH&FW OM

RESPONSE/ACTION TAKEN ON AIBSNLREA'S REPRESENTATIONS

15.06.2026: BSNL RESPONDS TO AIBSNLREA LETTER DATED 12.05.2026 ADDRESSED TO CMD BSNL REGARDING NON-IMPLEMENTATION OF CAT CHENNAI ORDER IN OA 310/00635/2019 IN RESPECT OF SHRI R.DAMODARAN, RETD SDE, COIMBATORE:

In response to AIBSNLREA letter dated 12.05.2026 BSNL has informed us that approval of compentent authority to implement Hon'ble CAT Chennai order dated 02.02.2024

has been conveyed vide letter No.BSNLCO-PRII/25(11)/2/2026-PERS-II dated 15.05.2026 to CGM, Tamilnadu Circle for further necessary action. View the BSNL response

12.06.2026: CGHS RESPONDS TO AIBSNLREA LETTER DATED 14.05.2026 ADDRESSED TO DG CGHS REQUESTING INCREASE IN ONLINE APPOINTMENT SLOTS AND EXPEDITING OPENING OF SECOND CGHS WELLNESS CENTRE AT AGRA:

In response to AIBSNLREA letter dated 14.05.2026 CGHS has stated that the claim regarding an excessive and unmanageable patient load at the CGHS Wellness Centre, Agra, does not align with the official live data from the C-DAC portal (covering the period from May 22, 2026, to June 2, 2026), according to which, the total daily patient footfall at the centre ranged between 116 and 149. It further states that the established operational norms mandate that each Medical Officer attend to a minimum of 75 patients per day. Regarding the issue of shortage of online slots raised in our representation, it is clarified that the C-DAC medical module provides 26 slots per day for each doctor, with each slot accommodating five patients (seen either online or offline). Slot allocation can be managed at the Wellness Centre level. The response is silent about opening of second wellness centre. View the CGHS response

BRANCHES IN ACTION

30.06.2026: AIBSNLREA BHOPAL BRANCH (MADHYA PRADESH STATE) HOLDS ITS GENERAL BODY MEETING:

The monthly General Body meeting of AIBSNLREA Bhopal Branch was held on 21.06.2026 at Indian coffee house, New Market, Bhopal under the Presidentship of Com. R.P.Shrivastava. 58 members attended the meeting. On the International Yoga day, Shri Gopal Trivedi Retd from PNB, M. Sc. Yoga delivered a lecture sensitising the utility of Yoga in our day to day life. Our member Com. J.K.Mishra briefly spoke about different types of Dhyan Yoga and demonstrated various ashans of Yogas. Com. V.P. Namdev was felicitated on completion of his 80th birthday. Other members with their birthday in June were also felicitated. Com.Dinesh Krishnan and Com. Denial Joy, who joined as new members were also felicitated with flowers. Melodious songs were presented by Com. Ubeja, Com. GN Shrivastava, Com. Kamal Rai Shrivastava, Com. R K Tiwari and Com.Balpande. Com. Hari Om Soni recited a poem written by him, on the NEET exam issue. The meeting concluded with Vote of Thanks and was followed by breakfast. View the Photos

26.06.2026: AIBSNLREA SURAT BRANCH (GUJARAT STATE) HOLDS ITS GENERAL BODY MEETING:

The quarterly General Body meeting of AIBSNLREA Surat Branch was held on 30.05.2026 at Jyotindra Dave Garden Honey Park Road Adajan Surat under the Presidentship of Com.Baburam. Twenty-four members attended the meeting. Branch Secretary Com. N.J.Nakawala welcomed the members and briefed regarding Branch activities and details of Resolution passed in AIC at Varanasi. He praised Varanasi Branch and CHQ For making excellent arrangements and conduct of conference. The meeting

decided to collect Rs.1000 per member per year as contribution to improve the financial health of the Branch. President Com.Baburam spoke on the role of Yoga for maintaining good health. The meeting was concluded with Vote of Thanks and was followed by breakfast. View the Photos

25.06.2026: AIBSNLREA AMRAVATI BRANCH (MAHARASHTRA STATE) HOLDS ITS GENERAL BODY MEETING:

The General Body Meeting of AIBSNLREA Amravati Branch was held under the Presidentship of Com. V. G. Dakhode, President on 19.06.2026 in Hotel Kashi Palace, Chaitanya Colony, Amravati . Two minutes silence was observed in memory of late Com. M. N. Dabhade, Com.Sandhyatai Deshmukh and Com. Vijay Rambhau Bhowate. Branch Secretary Com. D. V. Rokade informed the House about the developments after the previous meeting. Also, there was Discussion regarding the Conference to be held in the third or fourth week of July 2026. The queries raised by the members were answered. Com. R. Y. Deshmukh State Vice President spoke on recent developments. The meeting concluded with the Vote of Thanks by Com. M. Z. Shinde, Financial Secretary.

24.06.2026: AIBSNLREA AHILYANAGAR (PREVIOUSLY AHMEDNAGAR) BRANCH (MAHARASHTRA STATE) HOLDS ITS GENERAL BODY MEETING:

The general body meeting of AIBSNLREA Ahilya Nagar Branch was held on 21/06/2026 in Sagar Restaurant Pipeline Road under the Presidentship of Com. V.R. Pawar. Branch Secretary Com. D. A. Bhadange welcomed the participants. Delay in payment of medical claims, particularly those of Co.Gopalghare Retd DE, CGHS issues, delay in generation of ePPO by the CCA and revision of pension were discussed. Meeting ended with Vote of thanks by Com.Gopalghare. Lunch was served to the participants.

24.06.2026: AIBSNLREA UJJAIN BRANCH (MADHYA PRADESH STATE) HOLDS ITS GENERAL BODY MEETING:

AIBSNLREA Ujjain Branch held its bimonthly GB meeting on 09.06.2026 at Indian coffee house under the Presidentship of Com.S.C Pandey. Branch Secretary Com.Prafull Kumar Shukla explained about all the pensioner matters and activities of association at Branch level and at CHQ level. All members expressed satisfaction over the working of the branch. Receipt and expenditure statement was also presented in the meeting. 16 New members had been enrolled in the Ujjain branch by the new body so far. Birthday of Com.N Shankwarm retired A O and Com.V K Sharma retired SDE was celebrated. Meeting ended with Vote of thanks by Com.P M Makwana. View the Photos

23.06.2026: AIBSNLREA PALAKKAD BRANCH (KERALA STATE) HOLDS ITS GENERAL BODY MEETING:

General body meeting of AIBSNLREA Palakkad Branch was held on 16-06-2026 at Top inn Town Auditorium, Palakkad under the Presidentship of Com. K.Radhakrishnan, President. 30 members attended the meeting from different parts of the district. After silent prayers, Com. P.P.Krishnanunni, Secretary welcomed the members and congratulated Com.K.Gopinathan, on his re-election as CHQ Organising Secretary,

South. President, in his presidential address emphasized the need for active participation of members in the meetings, treating it as a social gathering too. Branch Secretary presented a detailed report on the AIC Varanasi - the excellent arrangements by Varanasi Branch, the comprehensive 49 pages GS report covering every issue concerning BSNL pensioners, the active participation of delegates in the deliberations, the inspiring presence of Com. Basu and conduct of the AIC by the President in a disciplined manner. Then he explained about the action taken by CHQ for getting IDA increase from 1-1-2026 and 1-04-2026. Com.K.Gopinathan then spoke on AIC Varanasi, CHQ activities and details of 13 resolutions passed in the AIC. Com.Prabhakaran and Com.T.Ramanathan shared their views on various issues. Meeting concluded with Vote of thanks by Com.E.K.Varier, Vice President. Lunch was served at the end of the meeting.

16.06.2026: AIBSNLREA CHENNAI BRANCH (TAMILNADU STATE) HOLDS ITS ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING:

The AGB of AIBSNLREA Chennai Branch was conducted at Hotel Mathsya, T Nagar on 10.6.2026 under the Presidentship of Com.B.Ganesan, Branch President. The meeting started with prayer songs by Com.G.Raghunathan, Com.P.Anandhi and Com.R.Stanislaus Mary. 42 members were present. Branch Secretary Com.L.Sundararaman submitted his report for the period from 30.03.2023 to 31.05.2026 and the same was approved after discussion. [View Tamilnadu Page of State News section for full report] View the Photos

10.06.2026: AIBSNLREA SHIMLA BRANCH (HIMACHAL PRADESH STATE) HOLDS ITS GENERAL BODY MEETING:

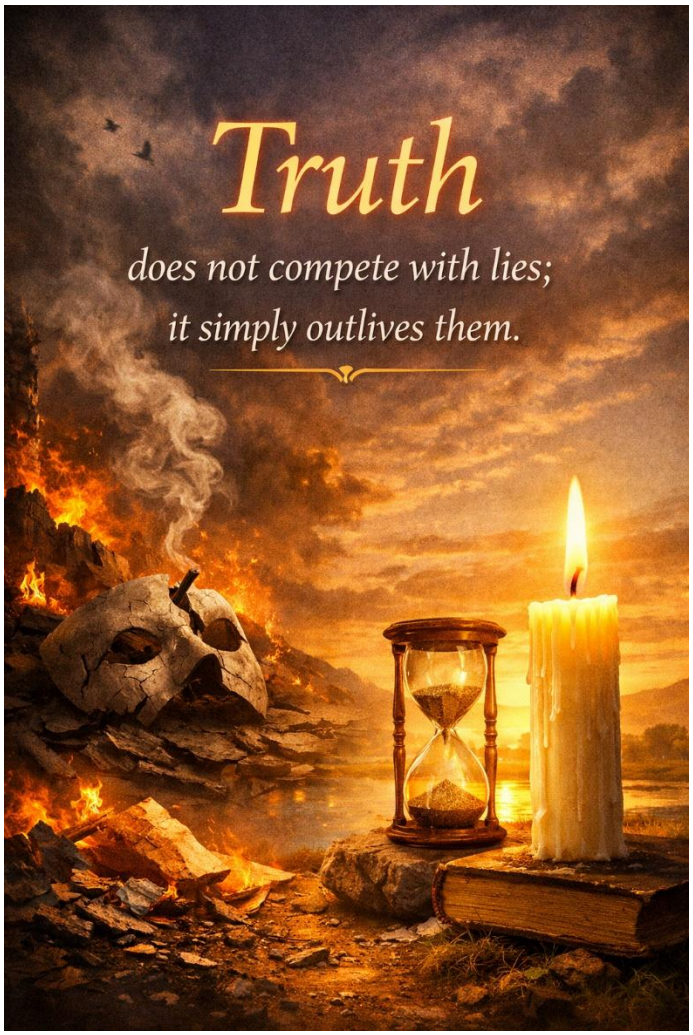
Monthly General Body meeting of AIBSNLREA Shimla Branch was held on 3rd June 2026 under the Presidentship of Com.G.S. Negi. All the members appreciated the efforts of CHQ on releasing the IDA orders, pursuing the case of additional quantum of pension after the age of 65, 70 and 75 years, pursuing the case of enhancement of Fixed Medical Allowance and the issue of IT exemption on ex- gratia paid to VRS retirees. It was decided in the meeting to again request CHQ for pursuing empanelment of private hospital under CGHS in Shimla. The meeting then ended with a Vote of Thanks to the Chair.

08.06.2026: AIBSNLREA AKOLA BRANCH (MAHARASHTRA STATE) HOLDS ITS GENERAL BODY MEETING:

The General Body Meeting of AIBSNLREA Akola branch was held on 03.06.2026 under the Presidentship of Com. V.B.Deshmukh. Branch Secretary Com. A.G. Nema welcomed all the participants, especially State Asst. Secretary Com. S.S. Lonkar. Two minutes' silence was observed in memory of demised members. Branch Secretary explained about the major role played by CHQ in getting the revised IDA w.e.f.1.1.2026 without creating an unwarranted alarm. He also briefed about issues being pursued by CHQ viz. additional quantum of pension after the age of 65, 70 & 75 years, Expansion of CGH to all district headquarters and increase of FMA to Rs. 3000/- per month. Branch Secretary further briefed about delay in payment of FMA & issuance of IDA-CDA mapping certificate by CCA office. In the absence of State Secretary, the State President Com.

Vasudeva tactfully handled this matter in a special meeting with CCA Mumbai and got them resolved. State Asst. Secretary Com. S.S.Lonkar addressed the house and briefed about AIC which was held at Varanasi during March 2026. He also touched in brief all the issues discussed, and the deliberations held in AIC. He informed that our State conference is likely to be held shortly in Pune. Discussions were held regarding pension revision, delay in payment of medical bills, Sampann related issues etc. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks by Com.N.N.Ambatkar.

STATEMENT OF AMOUNT RECEIVED DURING JUNE 2026

01. **Chennai Branch (Tamilnadu State)** deposited Rupees Eight Thousand (**Rs8000/-)** only on **14.06.2026** towards **Donation to CHQ**.

02. **Chandigarh Branch (Chandigarh UT)** deposited Rupees Three Hundred (**Rs.300/-)** only on **16.06.2026** towards CHQ quota for One new life member.