



## Editorial

### PENNY WISE - POUND FOOLISH

**F**ailure to get the pension of BSNL absorbed pensioners credited into their bank accounts by the last day of last consecutive two months by several CCAs faced a huge backlash from the affected pensioners. Though the delay in credit of August month's pension by some CCAs is being attributed to 'technical glitch' or 'problem due to shifting of State Bank of India server from Hyderabad to Mumbai', there is no explanation as to why the technical glitch and the shifting of server did affect only pensioners serviced by some CCAs and not others and as to why even in the areas of these CCAs some got their pension earlier, some on the last day night and some on the first few days of September. The anger and frustration among the pensioners were unfathomable. It may be true that getting the pension credited late by one or two days is not going to affect anyone financially, except those who had issued post-dated cheques or had scheduled auto-debit of EMIs, credit card payments. Of course, there are many others waiting to repay some hand loans or to clear credit purchase from neighbourhood shops. But the point is the sanctity of the date is lost, reflecting badly on the system, particularly because prior to migration to SAMPANN, for so many years, the banks were crediting pension by the last day of the month and mostly a few days earlier too. This is the reason why the pensioners who have been tolerating all the shortcomings of the

SAMPANN with all humility are now reacting out of the blue.

**I**f one can go back and recollect, when in August 2017 DoT communicated its intent to take over the pension disbursement function from the Banks and Post Offices, AIBSNLREA immediately protested against the move. Our objection had been mostly on the following counts: staff deployed in the CCA offices are mostly on deputation and are not professionally so equipped to work with computers etc.; non-existence of any Grievance redressal mechanism in CCA Offices; pensioners/family pensioners at their old age cannot travel long distances to visit CCA Offices to get their grievances resolved; lack of proper office accommodation for CCAs and absence of required infrastructure; efficiency of CCA Offices already being under question because of undue delay even to issue revised PPOs with 78.2% fitment benefit, release of other pensionary benefits on time; non-evolution of any arrangement to ensure issue of Form-16 to the pensioners/family pensioners and non-addressing the issue of submission of Annual Life Certificate by the pensioners/family pensioners who cannot visit CCA Offices for this purpose.

**D**oT sought to allay our apprehensions by issuing a FAQ, wherein it was clarified, among others, that "The pension will continue to be credited to the designated bank account of the pensioner

after implementation of CPMS. However, Controller of Communication Accounts (CCA) becomes the pension disbursing authority (PDA) in place of Post Offices and CPPC of Banks. Thus, the CCA becomes the single window authority dealing with all pension relating activities of pensioners”, “The pension is credited to the account on the last working day of the month. In case of arrears etc. the amount will be credited Out of Cycle on earliest possible day”, “The pensioner is not required to visit any office”, “In case of unfortunate death of the employee/pensioner, the Death Certificate along with Life certificate (or DLC) of family pensioner may be sent to CCA office. Once the Death Certificate is received, the pension can either start in the same month or the next. Family pensioner need not visit CCA office for commencing disbursement of family pension”, “Grievance can be lodged from the Pensioner’s dashboard online.”

**S**ubsequently SAMPANN (System for Accounting and Management of Pension) developed by DoT under PM’s vision ‘Minimum Government; Maximum Governance’ was rolled out by the Prime Minister himself in December 2018. Initially those retiring from January 2019 onwards were covered by SAMPANN. CCAs started collecting KYP (Know Your Pensioner) forms, more than once, from the pre-2019 pensioners in order to enter their personal details in SAMPANN. It appeared that SAMPANN was functioning smoothly as only a few hundreds of new pensioners were being added every month. But chinks in the system started appearing after migration of the pre-2019 pensioners to SAMPANN started in July 2022. Complaints from the pensioners started flooding, like their personal data entered in SAMPANN are wrong, with incorrect date of birth, incorrect date of

retirement, mis-spelt names, blanks in spouse’s name, blanks in mobile number, incorrect bank account number, IFSC, mix-up in Pensioner/Spouse name and so on. The case of the pensioners whose mobile numbers were left blank, was more pathetic, as they were not even aware that they have been migrated to SAMPANN, as no SMS was received and therefore they could not log in to check the data and register a complaint. Complaints registered through SAMPANN dashboard, CCA email, by post, personal visit to CCA offices, were neither acknowledged nor attended to. Unlike in the past where the banks were lenient and did not stop pension immediately on the plea of non-submission of Life Certificate in November, after migration hundreds of cases of stoppage of pension for non-submission of life certificate were reported, immediately after the stipulated last date for submission of life certificate (which is staggered throughout the year and became personal for each pensioner) and the CCAs took months to restore the stopped pension. Abnormal delay in sanction and payment of Family pension was evident. Digital Life Certificates generated through Jeevan Pramaan, Face Authentication, did not get updated automatically in SAMPANN for many pensioners, resulting in stoppage of pension.

**D**espite taking up these issues with the higher authorities, entry/correction of personal details is yet to be done with almost every pensioner complaining about one or other missing/incorrect data. Grievances regarding these are not acknowledged but closed with standard phrases like ‘will be settled’. Most pitifully the pensioners are forced to go to Pension Adalat for even to get their personal data corrected. In short, all the assurances given in the FAQs [Please go

back and read Para 3] remain on paper. Our apprehensions about the ability of CCA offices to handle the new situation have come true. Due to the acute shortage of staff and never-ending technical issues on one side and a barrage of complaints on the other side, the CCA offices are unable to do justice to the enormous task of replacing bank CPPCs. Resulting discontent makes them see pensioners as interruption in their work while the pensioners in turn perceive them as insensitive. And the System which caused this situation finds itself helpless, failing to move towards next version as assured a year back.

all the limitations in the previous system, the commission outgo to Banks and Post Offices is approximately Rs. 35 crores per annum”. We do not know how much is being spent now for developing and maintaining SAMPANN by a private limited company. On date, neither the limitations said to have existed in the previous system have been overcome nor does it appear that there is any savings at all. The shortcomings in the system continue to linger long beyond the ‘teething’ period. But we are aware that having come this long distance, there is no point in or possibility of going back. We need to strive hard to bring on the required improvements, which we have already detailed in our earlier letters to the authorities. Let us hope for the best.

**O**ne important factor that influenced DoT to go for CPMS is that “in spite of



## Important Developments of the Month



- DoP&PW held a very brief virtual meeting under the Chairmanship of Secretary (Pension) on 07.08.2024, in view of Nationwide Digital Life Certificate Campaign 3.0 to be held in November 2024. The objective of this Campaign is to promote increased use of Face Authentication Technology and other DLC modes with a target of reaching out to all pensioners, including those in the remotest corners of the country. Secretary (Pension) spoke briefly about the launch, stating that this time the campaign will be massive, covering 700 cities and towns, with large media coverage and requested all Pensioners' Associations to conduct

awareness drive of the Campaign among their members and to ensure success of the campaign. Details will be shared with the associations.

✚ The virtual meeting of AIBSNLREA CHQ office bearers was held on 01.08.2024 under the Presidentship of Shri V.Chinnappiah, CHQ President. The office bearers conveyed that the members were generally agitated due to non-credit of pension for July 2024 till today morning to most of them and wanted to take up the matter with the CGCA. Apart from the usual deliberations on organisational issues, activities of CHQ and developments during the last month, the meeting took note of the sudden opportunity provided to BSNL consequent to steep rise in tariff by the private mobile operators, leaving their customers dissatisfied and wanting to port to BSNL. It was decided to request all our members to circulate among the other WhatsApp groups with friends, family, neighbours, the promotional posters of BSNL so as to educate them about BSNL's affordable tariff rates. It was also decided to write to the CMD BSNL offering assistance by BSNL pensioners, in whatever way and manner he may deem it fit and also to explore the possibilities of our role in meeting the huge demand for BSNL mobile services. The office bearers will have discussions with the Branches in their area on the matter. The meeting ended with the GS thanking the participants for their continued role in discharging the responsibilities assigned to them by the AIC Kolkata.

✚ DoP&T has filed a review petition before Hon'ble Supreme Court vide Dy.No.36418/2024 seeking review of its order dated 11.04.2023 pronounced in CA No.2471 of 2023 and an IA in MA No.2400/2024. A Railway Board letter says, "As such, the issue of notional increment has not yet attained finality and the judicial procedure involved in the matter to finalize the issue of grant of benefit of notional increment are still underway for final adjudication by Hon'ble Apex Court." [View the Railway Board letter](#)



## Issues taken up

**29.08.2024: AIBSNLREA AGAIN WRITES TO MEMBER (S) REGARDING IMPLEMENTATION OF ORDERS OF SUPREME COURT OF INDIA IN CA NO. 4389 OF 2010 - HOLDING OF REVIEW DPCS FOR PROMOTION TO DE GRADE BASED ON THE REVISED SENIORITY LISTS OF TES GROUP B IN RESPECT OF DE PROMOTIONS ORDERED BY DOT PRIOR TO FORMATION OF BSNL AND EXTENDING THE CONSEQUENTIAL BENEFITS:**

AIBSNLREA has again written to the Member (S), DoT pointing out that following our meeting with the then Member (S) on 12.02.2024, DoT had forwarded our letter dated 26.10.2023 to CMD BSNL vide No.25-06/2023-STG.II dated 8th March 2024, [Annexure-I] for necessary action. But nearly six months after that, there is no action still by BSNL on the matter. AIBSNLREA has therefore requested Member (S) to bestow his personal attention and to direct BSNL to initiate the process of holding review DPCs in respect of the DE promotions ordered during DoT period. [View the letter](#)

**27.08.2024: AIBSNLREA WRITES TO THE FINANCE MINISTER REQUESTING TO WITHDRAW GST ON DIABETIC MEDICINES INCLUDING INSULIN:**

Diabetes is no longer a disease confined to the affluent. It affects people across all socio-economic strata, with a significant portion of the population at risk due to prediabetes. The risk faced by the senior citizens need not be overemphasized. The cost of managing diabetes, including regular medication, is substantial. Though, as pensioners, we are covered by one or other medical care schemes, availing the benefit of these schemes is easier said than done. Levying of 18% GST on insurance products has made the schemes costly and reduced accessibility. The fact is that most of the pensioners undergoing treatment for diabetes either do not submit any claim or are waiting for months to get the amount reimbursed. AIBSNLREA has drawn the attention of the above facts to the Union Finance Minister and has requested to consider this issue keeping in mind the affordability of diabetic medicines including insulin and cause withdrawal of GST on these medicines. [View the letter](#)

**21.08.2024: AIBSNLREA WRITES TO THE CO-OPERATIVE OMBUDSMAN REQUESTING HIM TO INTERVENE AND RESOLVE THE YEARS OLD GRIEVANCE OF MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNMENT TELECOM EMPLOYEES' CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY, CHENNAI WITHOUT IMPOSING RESTRICTION ON DATE OF SUBMISSION OF GRIEVANCE:**

Members of The Government Telecom Employees' Co-operative Society, Chennai, suffering due to non-payment of their hard earned money by the Society were excited over the appointment of Co-operative Ombudsman vide an amendment to Multi-State Co-operative Societies Act last year and believed that there is light at the end of the tunnel. But to their disappointment, all their representations have been returned by the office as of Co-operative Ombudsman as "not maintainable" citing a provision under rule 30G(B) of MSCS Rules, 2002, which stipulates that "a complaint or an appeal a the case may be, shall not lie unless the complaint is filed not later than one month after the complainant has received the reply of the multi-State co-operative society or, where no reply is received, not later than two months after such representation was made." AIBSNLREA has written to the Co-operative Ombudsman requesting him to cause consideration of the all the representations which were received on the subject by his office including those which have been returned and cause suitable action to make the Society to pay their dues." [View the letter](#)

**16.08.2024: AIBSNLREA AGAIN WRITES TO THE DIRECTOR (HR) BSNL REGARDING NON-IMPLEMENTATION OF GUIDELINES ISSUED UNDER CROP-2020 BY WEST BENGAL CIRCLE:**

Submitting a copy of reply to a RTI query by Shri L.N.Das, Retd AO Burdwan, wherein West Bengal Circle has not initiated any classification of residential colonies as "Premium" and "Non-premium", AIBSNLREA has again written to Director (HR) BSNL direct West Bengal Circle to categorise the staff quarters as per BSNL CROP-2020 as well as the letters dated 02.11.2020 and 25.04.2022, decrease the rent retrospectively based on the condition of the quarters and demand-supply position and to order refund of excess recovered rent to all the occupants, particularly to Shri Lakshmi Narayan Das,

Retd AO, Burdwan who has been representing repeatedly ever since the modifications were issued. [View the letter](#)

**12.08.2024: AIBSNLREA WRITES TO THE CEO, UIDAI, REQUESTING TO ENSURE UNIVERSAL AVAILABILITY OF FACEAUTHENTICATOR APP FOR DOWNLOAD IN ALL BRANDS AND MODELS OF MOBILE HANDSETS:**

AIBSNLREA has written to the CEO, UIDAI drawing his attention to reports about inability to use FaceAuthenticator App in some models of Samsung mobile phones and requesting him to get the issue resolved so that the App is available in all models and versions of all brands of mobile devices. [View the letter](#)

**02.08.2024: AIBSNLREA WRITES TO THE CGCA, DOT REGARDING FAILURE TO ENSURE CREDIT OF MONTHLY PENSION ON THE DUE DATE:**

Drawing attention of the CGCA, DoT, New Delhi to the fact that the pension for July 2024 was not credited to the accounts of most of the pensioners till the morning of 1st August 2024, with a few complaining about non-credit of pension till now, AIBSNLREA has requested him to personally look into the issue and to cause necessary arrangements so that this situation, for whatsoever reason, does not repeat in the future. [View the letter](#)



## GOVERNMENT/BSNL ORDERS & LETTERS

**28.08.2024: DOAR&PG ISSUES REVISED AND COMPREHENSIVE GUIDELINES FOR HANDLING PUBLIC GRIEVANCES:**

Department of Administrative Reforms & Public grievances has issued a O.M. vide F.No.S-15/21/2021-(PG)-DARPG(E-7085) dated 23rd August 2024, after undertaking review of existing processes to make CPGRAMS more sensitive, accessible and meaningful to the Citizen. The revised/reiterated guidelines take care of some of the suggestions submitted by AIBSNLREA, like action to be taken when the grievance reaches a wrong authority, making any decision on appeal to be a speaking order, asking for additional document from the citizen whenever required etc. [View the DoAR&PG OM](#)

**18.08.2024: BSNL CO REMINDS CIRCLE/UNIT HEADS TO INSTRUCT THE ADMIN/HR EXECUTIVES TO APPROACH CGHS/ECHS EMPANELLED HOSPITALS FOR EMPANELMENT WITH BSNL:**

In continuation of its earlier letter dated 05.04.2024, BSNL Corporate Office has reminded the Circle/Unit Heads to instruct the Admin/HR Executives to approach the CGHS/ECHS empanelled hospitals for empanelment under BSNL MRS in order that at least one empanelled hospital is available in every OA. [View the BSNL letter](#)

**07.08.2024: REITERATION OF THE GUIDELINES ISSUED BY MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE, CGHS AND DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF HEALTH SERVICES:**

CGHS Headquarters has issued a Notification vide F.No.5-36/CGHS(HQ)HEC/2024 dated 5th August 2024, reiterating the terms and conditions for empanelment under CGHS and the instructions to be strictly followed by all HCOs empanelled under CGHS Delhi/NCR. [View the DG CGHS Notification](#)

**05.08.2024: DOT PROPOSES TO MAKE A PANEL OF RETIRED OFFICERS TO WORK AS INQUIRY OFFICER UNDER CCS (CCA) RULES 1965:**

DoT has issued a Circular vide F.No.71-01/2024-Vig.II dated 30th July 2024, calling for application from willing and eligible retired BSNL officers to work as Inquiry Officer in Disciplinary cases under CCS (CCA) Rules 1965 in order to make a panel. Those who are not more than 65 years of age as on 30.08.2024 and are in sound mental and physical health are eligible to apply. The Application Form, DoP&T OM dated 15.09.2017 stipulating the eligibility criteria and copy of DoP&T OM dated 16.11.2022 on rates of honorarium are enclosed. [View the DoT Circular](#)

## RESPONSE/ACTION TAKEN ON



## AIBSNLREA'S REPRESENTATIONS

**30.08.2024: DEPARTMENT OF POSTS RESPONDS TO AIBSNLREA LETTER DATED 30.07.2024 REGARDING DIFFICULTIES CAUSED TO PENSIONERS DUE TO ITS FAILURE TO OFFER INTEREST ON KISSAN VIKAS PATRA EVERY YEAR:**

Responding to AIBSNLREA letter dated 30.07.2024 addressed to DG Postal Services, pointing out that interest on Kissan Vikas Patra is being offered by the Department of Posts in the year of its maturity instead of offering to tax every year, resulting in the Depositor, in our case a pensioner, becoming liable to pay income tax on a higher slab, causing financial difficulty to him, CPMG Maharashtra has replied that "The KVP interest is calculated annually compounding whole amount paid on the maturity . There is no such provision to issue actual interest certificate every year till maturity." [View the CPMG Maharashtra reply](#)

**23.08.2024: CGHS RESPONDS TO AIBSNLREA LETTER DATED 12.07.2024 REGARDING NEED FOR CLARITY IN ISSUE OF OPD MEDICINE TO CGHS BENEFICIARIES GOING ABROAD:**

AIBSNLREA had written to the DG CGHS on 12.07.2024 regarding lack of clarity regarding the commencement of the 3/6 months period, whether it is to be counted from the date of last issue of medicines made or from the date of travel abroad by the CGHS beneficiary, citing a specific case where the last 3 months' issue of medicine was done two months back and the beneficiary was required to travel with one month's medicine in hand, he was denied issue of medicine for the remaining two months he would be staying abroad, on the plea that medicine cannot be issued with the previous

3 months' supply not yet used. CGHS now clarified that "in case if the beneficiary applies with the proof of going abroad with supporting documents, then the medicines will be issued for maximum of 6 months (including the stock in hand with the beneficiary)." [View the CGHS clarification](#)

**20.08.2024: DOT RESPONDS TO AIBSNLREA LETTER DATED 09.07.2024 REGARDING IMPLEMENTATION OF DOP&PW OM ENHANCING THE MAXIMUM LIMIT OF GRATUITY TO CENTRAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES TO RS.25 LAKHS, IN RESPECT OF BSNL ABSORBED EMPLOYEES:**

Responding to AIBSNLREA letter dated 09.07.2024 regarding implementation of DoP&PW O.M. enhancing the maximum limit of Gratuity to Central Government Employees to Rs.25 lakhs, in respect of BSNL absorbed employees, DoT has stated that the matter is currently under examination in consultation with Department of Pension & Pensioners Welfare. [View the DoT reply](#)



## BRANCHES IN ACTION

**31.08.2024: AIBSNLREA PRAYAGRAJ BRANCH (UP STATE) HOLDS ITS GENERAL BODY MEETING:**

The General Body meeting of AIBSNLREA Prayagraj Branch was conducted on 29/08/2024 at 1430 hrs at CTO Compound under the Presidentship of Shri R.S.Gupta. Secretary Shri S.M.Tiwari informed the house regarding issue of Identity card, problems related to migration to SAMPANN and medical claim without voucher. He also informed the house about the developments in court cases on pension revision and 78/2% fitment benefit. The house welcomed the new life time members Shri Shashibhushan and Shri Fareed Ahmed. The meeting concluded with vote of thanks by the President.

**31.08.2024: AIBSNLREA BHOPAL BRANCH MEETING WITH CGM MADHYA PRADESH:**

AIBSNLREA Bhopal Branch had a meeting with CGM MP Circle on 28.08.2024. Shri B.S.Rajput, CHQ OS (C), greeted the CGM on his assuming office recently and discussed issues related to unwarranted billing of RE BSNL landline connection. CGM MP assured to look into the matter. He also raised the 4G network issues. CGM said that there were teething issues and will be resolved soon. The meeting was cordial.

**26.08.2024: GENERAL BODY MEETING OF AMBALA BRANCH (HARYANA STATE) HELD:**

A general body meeting of AIBSNLREA, Ambala Branch was held on 24th August 2024 at Clove-99 Restaurant, Mall Road, Ambala cantt, under the Presidentship of Shri R K Sharma. 34 members attended the meeting. Seven executives who have crossed 75 years of age were felicitated with presentation of shawl and by garlanding them. Shri S.K Bindal Branch Secretary addressed the members on various issues. Shri S.K Aggarwal CHQ Organising Secretary North briefed the members on the issues of pension revision, stoppage of recovery of Commuted value of pension after 12 years, grant of one increment who have completed one year of service and have birth day on the 1st of month following date of retirement, various CGHS issues after the issue of fresh

guidelines of 28.06.2024 and non availability of data facility in BSNL post-paid mobile connection due to closure of landline connections as per BSNL HQ letter of 16.05.24. Data facility is not extended even on payment due of configuration of plan in IN which needs to be amended. Further our Branch Finance Secretary is not keeping good health and has requested to relieve him of his duties, so Shri Pushpak Raj Retd SDE Civil was unanimously elected as Finance Secretary of the branch. Thereafter meeting ended with vote of thanks followed by Lunch. [View the Photos](#)

#### **22.08.2024: AIBSNLREA VARANASI BRANCH (UP STATE) HOLDS ITS GENERAL BODY MEETING:**

The GB meeting of AIBSNLREA Varanasi Branch was held under the Presidentship of Shri P M Ansari at CTE Campus. Branch Secretary Shri Yad Ali briefed out the Agenda, welcomed the participants and the new life time member Sh.V.P Srivastava. Discussions were held on CGHS related issues. Some CGHS empanelled hospitals were not following the rules and the matter has been taken up and resolved. Doubts about submission of life certificate were clarified. Secretary replied to queries on CCA related issues. Shri R.K.Sinha Joint Secretary CHQ addressed the meeting and listed the activities of the CHQ. Asst. State Secretary Shri L.R.Prasad spoke about State issues and the meeting ended with the President thanking the participants. The meeting condoled the death of R S Mishra ex SDE. [View the Photos](#)

#### **22.08.2024: AIBSNLREA FARIDABAD BRANCH (HARYANA STATE) HOLDS ITS GENERAL BODY MEETING:**

The General Body meeting of AIBSNLREA Faridabad Branch was held at Gupha Restaurant on 17.08.2024. Branch Secretary Shri V.K.Kataria explained the status of various issues viz. Our case in Delhi High Court for 78.2% fitment benefit on actual basis w.e.f. 1.1.2007, pension revision, restoration of commutation in less than 15 years, payment of additional quantum of pension on completion of 65, 70 and 75 years of age in order to debunk rumors being circulated in social media. Meeting ended with vote of thanks.

#### **19.08.2024: AIBSNLREA BHOPAL BRANCH (MP STATE) HOLDS ITS GENERAL BODY MEETING:**

The monthly GB meeting of AIBSNLREA Bhopal Branch was held at Indian Coffee House New Market on 18.08.2024 under the Presidentship of Shri O.P.Sharma. Shri H.S.Saxena Branch Secretary, Shri T.R.Jain, Finance Secretary and & Shri B.S.RAJPUT CHQ OS (Central) were present on the dais. Shri K.P.Patil who had attained 80 years of age was warmly felicitated with Shawl & Shreephal. Members whose birthday fell in August were felicitated with Rose Buds. Shri S.P.Patel who had come to Bhopal to attend the meeting all the way from Itarsi was welcomed with Rosebud. Secretary informed that members upto the age of 65 yrs can apply for Inquiry Officers post as per the order of DoT and he was willing to conduct training courses for Inquiry Officers and Defense Assistants. Melodious Program of Songs & Music & snacks followed. Magic Tricks were performed by Shri Parwez Khan. One minute silence was observed as tribute to Smt.Sain, wife of Shri H.N.Sain. Branch Secretary proposed Vote of Thanks. [View the Photos](#)

#### **14.08.2024: AIBSNLREA GHAZIABAD BRANCH (UP STATE) HOLDS ITS GENERAL BODY MEETING:**

AIBSNLREA ALTTC Ghaziabad Branch held its General Body meeting on 10.08.2024 under the Presidentship of Shri Naresh Chand. The meeting began with a two-minute silence to pay respects to Late Shri Sudhir Sharma (member's son), who passed away on 25th July 2024 and Late Shri Shyam Saran Varshney (Retd. DE, ALTTC, and member), who passed away on 30th July 2024. Smt. Suresh Devi (Retd. DGM, ALTTC) was welcomed as a new member. Shri Rakesh Chandra briefed the house on previous meeting issues and other relevant matters. Shri A.K. Sharma (Financial Secretary, CHQ) addressed the gathering and spoke on CGHS issues taken up by CHQ, their resolution, Pension revision and 78.2% fitment benefit w.e.f. 1.1.2007. Members praised CHQ's functioning and activities. Shri Madan Lal ji (Retd. SDE) was appointed as Financial Secretary (additional charge) due to the previous Financial Secretary's unavailability. The house agreed to hold meetings every second Saturday, subject to suitable space availability, as suggested by Shri M.K. Seth (Retd. CGM, ALTTC, and Vice President). The meeting which was conducted in a very cordial atmosphere ended with a vote of thanks by Shri Naresh Chand, President.

#### **09.08.2024: GENERAL BODY MEETING OF AIBSNLREA SHIMLA BRANCH (HIMACHAL PRADESH STATE) HELD:**

The monthly GB meeting of AIBSNLREA Shimla Branch was held on 7th August 2024 at Shimla. The meeting was presided over by Shri DK Verma. Issues discussed in the last meeting were reviewed. All the members appreciated the functioning and activities of the CHQ. Members were eager to know about the pension revision status. The members were apprised about the shifting of pension cell to old Labour bureau building. Some local issues were also discussed.

#### **03.08.2024: AIBSNLREA NADIAD BRANCH (GUJARAT STATE) HOLDS ITS GENERAL BODY MEETING:**

The General Body meeting of AIBSNLREA, Nadiad Branch was held on 1-8-2024 at Anand in Lions Club at 10:00 am under the Presidentship of Shri K R Dalal, Branch President. Shri A H Malek, ADS, Shri B M Patel Advisor, Shri P B Parmar State President, Shri N P Patel, State secretary and Shri D P Modi, Executive member were present on the dais. The meeting started with prayer by Shri N S Bhatt. Two minutes silence was observed in remembrance of departed member S Shri M G Malek, Retd SDE, Nadiad. All the office bearers were welcomed by garlanding and State office bearers were given memento. State Secretary Shri N P Patel and State President Shri P B Parmar spoke on status of pending cases of pensioners, pension revision, CGHS, Notional increment, WIL, Nominee and replied to the queries raised by the members. The meeting ended with Vote of thanks by Shri K R Dalal Branch President and was followed by lunch. [View the Photos](#)



## STATEMENT OF AMOUNT RECEIVED DURING AUGUST 2024

- 01. Sangrur Branch (Punjab State)** deposited Rupees Six Hundred (Rs. 600/-) only on 01.08.2024 towards CHQ quota for Two new Life members.
- 02. Thanjavur BA Branch (Tamilnadu State)** deposited Rupees One Thousand Five Hundred (Rs. 1500/-) only on 14.08.2024 towards CHQ quota for Five new Life members.
- 03. ALTTC GHAZIABAD Branch (UP State)** deposited Rupees Three Hundred (Rs. 300/-) only on 23.08.2024 towards CHQ quota for One new Life member.
- 04. Varanasi Branch (UP State)** deposited Rupees Three Hundred (Rs.300/-) only on 27.08.2024 towards CHQ quota for One new Life member.

### KIND ATTENTION BRANCH/STATE SECRETARIES

It is requested that immediately after depositing any amount into CHQ Account, it may please be ensured that details like Branch Name, Amount deposited, purpose of the deposit like Quota, Donation etc are sent to CHQ through CHQ email.

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