

ALL INDIA BSNL-DOT PENSIONERS' ASSOCIATION

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Dear Comrades,

I am indeed happy to inform you that I have joined the CHQ on 16.11.2009 and shall continue to be here until the urgent tasks are completed.

Meeting with the Minister of Communications: - General Secretary along with Coms. V.A.N. Namboodiri (Advisor) and P. Abhimanyu (Dy. General Secretary, BSNLEU) had a meeting with Thiru. A. Raja, Hon'ble Minister for Communications on 17.11.2009. The following important issues of BSNL and DoT Pensioners were focused during the discussion.

- (1) 50% IDA merger for BSNL pensioners retired prior to 01.01.2007.
- (2) Revision of pension of BSNL pensioners retired prior to 01.01.2007 at par with the pensioners retired after 01.01.2007.
- (3) Rectification of pension anomaly to those pensioners retired during the period from 01.10.2000 and 31.07.2001.
- (4) The proposed move of the govt. to revise the pension from IDA pattern to CDA pattern.
- (5) Grant of fixed medical allowance of Rs.1000/- to DoT pensioners.

The minister had a patient hearing and assured that everything possible will be done. Being the first meeting the discussion was satisfactory though nothing concrete has come out for which further persual is necessary.

Reports from Circles: - CHQ is getting very encouraging reports from various circles where pensioners are coming up enmasse to join AIBDPA. In many districts AIBDPA units have already been formed without waiting for any instructions from the concerned circles. CHQ office bearers are requested to get in constant touch with the respective circle secretaries of BSNLEU where no date is fixed for the circle level conventions.

Unified Organisation: - We are in touch with some of the BSNL & DoT pensioners associations functioning at regional / district level for merger / affiliation of those associations with AIBDPA.

BSNL Wage revision: - BSNLEU and the United Forum has successfully reached an understanding with the management in the wage revision of BSNL non executives in the meeting on 17.11.2009. The following are the main features.

- (1) 30% fitment for Pay + 68.8 % IDA with subsequent enhancement to 78.2%
- (2) Increment rate will be 3%

(3) No mention of periodicity

(4) Next wage revision along with the Executives.

The meeting will continue on 19.11.2009 for finalizing pay scales etc. The management's game of delaying the wage revision has ultimately been foiled by the BSNLEU with its bold stand and commitment to the workers. Once the agreement is signed and orders issued then the pensioners of the BSNL retirees also has to be revised based on the same fitment formula.

Pension day on 17.12.2009: - It was on 17th, December, 1982 the Supreme Court made the landmark judgements in D.K. Nakare, Vs GOI case which is considered to be the Magnacarta of pensioners. The day may be observed suitably along with other pensioners organizations including NCCPA affiliates.

Organisation: - Membership campaign has to be started immediately and effectively. I am enclosing herewith the specimen of membership form and you may print copies according to requirement.

Admission Fees : Rs.10/-
Life membership : Rs.500/-
Annual membership : Rs.100/-

Associate membership for family pensioners:

Life membership : Rs.250/-
Annual membership : Rs.50/-

Quota to be divided as follows:

CHQ – 40% Circle – 30% District – 30 %

All communications may be made in the following address:

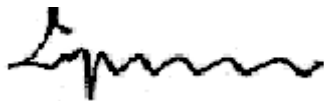
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Quota may be sent to Com. M.L. Tiwari, Treasurer, AIBDPA in the above address.

All the comrades at every level are requested to personally contact each BSNL & DOT pensioner so that all are enrolled members of AIBDPA.

With Warm Greetings

Yours fraternally



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