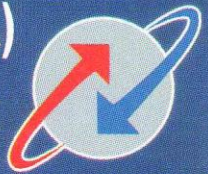




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17.06.2022

To
Sri.K.Rajaraman, IAS
Secretary,
Dept. of Telecom,
New Delhi – 110 001.

Sir,

Sub : Non-payment/Delay in payment of retirement benefits on account of delay in verification of Caste Certificates in respect of retiring employees of ST Community in T.N. Circle and CHTD – Reg.

Ref : DOT ND OM No : 36-03/2019-Pen(T) dtd 30.12.2021

I am enclosing a copy of the Liaison Officer (SCT) Cell O/o CGM, BSNL, T.N. Circle letter dated 31.05.2022 addressed to all BAs for expediting the settlement of retirement benefits of ST employees in T.N. Circle as per the instructions of DOP & PW OM dated 30.11.2021. The contents of the letter are self-explanatory.

These instructions have been given by the LO (SCT), T.N. Circle on the pressure given by this Association vide our letter of even number dated 20.05.2022 through the DOT under Secretary's (Kanaso T K) email of May 20, 2022 03:24:25 pm and NEHA SINGH (US)'s mail of May 23, 2022 at 05.18pm.

But even after the letter of LO (SCT), T.N. Circle sent to BAs on 31.05.2022 by email the BAs particularly Salem, Madurai, Trichy etc are not taking proper and urgent action to settle the much delayed retirement benefits till today the 18.06.2022. When contacted by me the DGMs particularly the DGM (Finance) AGM (Admn) etc are expressing their ignorance about the orders of the Ministry or others such as DOT, BSNLCO or LO (SCT) cell Circle office. Some higher officers are showing their finger to their lower authorities. This is highly irresponsible and clear harassment of ST officials for obvious reasons.

There is no justification for the delay in settlement of retirement benefits for the following reasons.

- 1) The ST employees are already in receipt of provisional pension which is 100% gross pension as calculated by the SSAs on receipt of pension papers from the employees.

- 2) The Calculation of DCRG and commutation payments and the Ex-Gratia will not take much time as the LPD particulars are already available with the Accounts officer (Corporate Accounts)
- 3) The vigilance report was already obtained before the retirement of superannuated employees and for VRS 2019 retirees also at the time of accepting VRS – 19 notices.


In some cases the Administration is deliberately calling for pension papers even through the same is already available with the Accounts Officers or other Accounts / Administrative personals. The Administration and Accounts wings of the SSA Offices are blaming each other for the inaction in the matter. The GMs also does not appear to have any control over their subordinates to get the work done expeditiously.

Some units are telling that the service books are not available with them and say the same has been sent to CCA office. It is not understood as to how the service books are sent to CCA office without issuing sanction for terminal benefits. It appears that they are lying in this matter to justify the inaction on their part for the settlement of terminal benefits. Thus the settlement is unnecessary delayed to harass the ST employees further for obvious reasons, and **they all deserve to be proceeded under the, SC/STs prevention of Atrocities Act 1989.**

This Association therefore request you to kindly cause issue of suitable instructions to the subordinate Authorities such as SSA (Heads) and CCAs etc to settle the terminal benefits without any further delay, honouring the GOI orders on the matter, on priority basis.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely


(D.CHANDRASEKARAN)
Circle Secretary &
All India Vice President

Copy to

- 1) The CGCA, MCF Campus, Ghitorni, New Delhi-110 030.
- 2) The CMD, BSNL, New Delhi-1.
- 3) and 4) The CGMs, BSNL, T.N. Circle and Chennai Telephone District, Chennai for information and necessary action.
- 5) The Joint CCA (Pension), T.N. Circle, Chennai-8.
- 6) Miss.Neha Singh, u/s, Pension section, DOT, New Delhi.
- 7) Sri.Kanaso T.K. u/s DOT-New Delhi-1.
- 8) to 10) The GMs BSNL, Salem, Trichy, Madurai SSA of T.N. Circle.
- 11) The GS, BDPA(I), CHQ, Ahmedabad.