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### 7th Central Pay Commission

O.M. No. 1-4/2015-E III(A) Gol., Ministry of Finance Department of Expenditure New Delhi,  
dated the 27th January, 2016.

#### Constitution of Empowered Committee of Secretaries for processing the Report of the Seventh Central Pay Commission

It has been decided with the approval of the Cabinet to set up an Empowered Committee of Secretaries to process the recommendations of the Seventh Central Pay Commission. The Committee will have the following Members:

1. Cabinet Secretary	-	Chairman
2. Finance Secretary/Secretary (Expenditure)	-	Member
3. Secretary, Department of Personnel & Training	-	Member
4. Secretary, Department of Pension & PW	-	Member
5. Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs	-	Member
6. Secretary, Ministry of Defence	-	Member
7. Secretary, Department of Revenue	-	Member
8. Secretary, Department of Posts	-	Member
9. Secretary, Department of Health	-	Member
10. Secretary, Department of Science & Technology	-	Member
11. Chairman, Railway Board	-	Member
12. Deputy Comptroller & Auditor General	-	Member
13. Secretary (Security), Cabinet Secretariat	-	Member

2. The Committee may co-opt any other Secretary, whenever found necessary.

3. The Empowered Committee will function as a Screening Committee to screen the recommendations of the Commission after taking into account the views of the concerned stakeholders, viz, the Ministries Departments, Staff Associations and the JCM, so as to firm up the final conclusions for approval of the Cabinet.

4. The Implementation Cell created in the Department of Expenditure shall function as Secretariat for the Empowered Committee of Secretaries.

5. The final recommendations of the Empowered Committee of Secretaries will be submitted for approval of the Cabinet.

(Annie George Mathew)  
Joint Secretary to the Government of India

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### **7th Pay Commission Latest News PMO Orders to Speed up Process**

There is indication that the Empowered Committee is also positively mulling the demand of Central Government employees for hiking the minimum pay. The Government will issue the Seventh Pay Commission award notification soon to facilitate Central Government employees salaries with regard to inflation, the Prime Minister's office (PMO) official said on Monday.

The Prime Minister's Office (PMO) asked the Empowered Committee of Secretaries to process the review of the Seventh Pay Commission recommendations as soon as possible for taking Cabinet nod, the PMO officials also said.

Source: : <http://www.staffnews.in>

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### **List of Private Hospitals Empanelled under CGHS w.e.f. 17.2.2016 Total No. as on 17.2.16 is Hospitals 16 Diagnostic Centre 6**

Name of the Hospital	Address
1.HealthCare Global Enterprises Ltd., (w.e.f 17/02/2016)	No.8, HCG Towers, P. Kalinga Rao Road, Sampangiram Nagar, Bangalore-560027 Ph:080-40206000, 080-40206065,9341307646 Fax No: 080-2248 5962 <a href="http://www.hcgoncology.com">www.hcgoncology.com</a>
2. MS Ramaiah Memorial Hospital (w.e.f 17/02/2016)	MSRIT Post, MSR Nagar, Bengaluru-560054 Ph: 080-23608888, 080-23609999 Fax: 080-22183276 <a href="mailto:contact@msrmh.com">contact@msrmh.com</a>
3.Sparsh Hospital A unit of Shiva & Shiva Orthopaedic Hospital Pvt. Ltd (w.e.f 17/02/2016)	29/P2, Health City, Bommasandra Industrial Area, Hosur Main Road, Bengaluru-560099. Ph: 080-33271000/99 Fax: 080-33271111/2 <a href="mailto:info@sparshhospital.com">info@sparshhospital.com</a>

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### **Diagnostic Centre**

1.Anand Diagnostic Laboratory  
NABL Laboratory services,  
X-ray, USG,Doppler Studies,

Bowring Tower, No. 54, Bowring Hospital Road  
Shivajinagar, Bengaluru- 560001  
Ph: 080-25318550 [adlcghs@anandlab.com](mailto:adlcghs@anandlab.com)

A meeting of all the Nodal Officers of various Ministries/Departments, who have been appointed to interact with the Implementation Cell in connection with the processing of the recommendations of the 7<sup>th</sup> Central Pay Commission, was held on 02.02.2016. Joint Secretary (IC), Department of Expenditure, presided over the meeting

2. While explaining the background and the context in which the meeting of Nodal Officers was held, it was brought out in the meeting that after the receipt of the report of the 7<sup>th</sup> Central Pay Commission on 19.11.2015, Ministry of Finance initiated a proposal to setup an appropriate mechanism to process the recommendations of the Commission. With the approval of the Cabinet an Empowered Committee Of Secretaries (E-COS) headed by the Cabinet Secretary has been set up on 27.1.2016 to screen the recommendations and to firm up the conclusions for approval of the Cabinet. An Implementation Cell (IC), as a dedicated and focused wing in the Department of Expenditure (DOE) has been created to work as the Secretariat for the E-CoS.

3. AS the recommendations of the Commission relate to various Ministries/ Departments, their views/comments would be essential to process the matter for submitting the same before the E-CoS. JS(Pers), D/o Expenditure wrote a D.O. letter to the Secretaries of various Departments on 21.11.2015, wherein all the Departments were requested to formulate their views/ comments on the recommendations of the Commission pertaining to them after taking into account the representations of the Staff Associations and also to nominate a Joint Secretary level Nodal Officer for interaction with the Implementation Cell. While a number of Ministries/Departments have sent their comments and nominated their Nodal Officers, the comments received from some Ministries are simply in the nature of forwarding the

representations of the Staff Associations without their comments.

4. In the above background, JS(IC) explained that there was a need for all the Ministries/ Departments to furnish their comments in a structured format so that their collation and analysis could be placed before E-COS in a systemic manner. Accordingly, JS(IC) impressed upon the following action points to be acted upon by the Nodal Officers to enable an expeditious processing of the recommendations of the 7<sup>th</sup> Central Pay Commission:

- (i) Departments who have not yet nominated a Nodal Officer, should do it within the next 2 days.
- (ii) To be ensured that Nodal Officers are not changed midway, unless extremely unavoidable.
- (iii) Nodal Officers may get acquainted with the recommendations of the Commission as specifically applicable to their Departments. Nodal Officers to find out which Wing/Office (attached or subordinate or UT) is concerned with the recommendations of the Commission. The mechanism of Nodal Officers should also be put in place in attached/ subordinate/ UTs so that the comments of such offices could be properly coordinated at the level of the Department concerned without any further delay.
- (iv) The comments of the attached/subordinate offices/UTs should be compiled by Nodal Officers at the Department level itself.
- (v) Nodal Officers to take note of any representation or demand of the Staff Association under the administrative purview of their Department, Nodal Officers to ascertain the views/comments of the concerned office on the recommendation of the Commission in the light of the representation /demands raised by the Staff Association.

- (vi) In case, there is any need for consultation with the Staff Association at the level of the Department, the same may be done as per the assessment of the Department.
- (vii) Thereafter, the formal views/comments of the Department should be sent to the Implementation Cell (IC) on the recommendations of the commission, which are specifically and directly related to that Department.
- (viii) In case, the Department is of the view that any recommendations which are specifically related to their Department need any modification, adequate justification in clear-cut terms should be brought out while sending the comments to the Implementation Cell (IC),
- (ix) In case of any modification, the extra financial implications (per annum) over the recommendation of the Commission should be Clearly indicated.
- (x) If no modification of the recommendations of the Commission is suggested, approval of the Secretary of the Department should be Obtained before sending the recommendations to the Implementation Cell (IC). If, however, any modification is suggested, approval of the Minister should be obtained.
- (xi) While the views/comments of the Departments on the recommendations of the Commission directly and specifically applicable to that Department are mandatory, a Department is free to offer views/comments on the recommendations which are of general nature or concerning other Departments.
- (xii) Besides sending the comments/views of the Department in the running format, the same should also be sent to the Implementation Cell (IC) in the 'prescribed proforma' within two weeks. The soft copies of the same should also be sent through email. The email id of JS(IC) is: jsic- cpc@nic. in
- (xiii) Nodal Officers should regularly keep a watch on the website of the Finance

Ministry at the link [http://www.finmin.nic.in/the\\_ministry/dept\\_expenditure/notification/7cpc/index.asp](http://www.finmin.nic.in/the_ministry/dept_expenditure/notification/7cpc/index.asp). E-mails should also be checked regularly for the purpose. The updates/further action to be taken shall be posted there to facilitate quick action.

5. Apart from the above action points, it was also felt that sub-groups may be formed after the receipt of comments from the Ministries/ Departments to accord focused consideration to certain specific issues, if necessary.

6. Besides above, after detailed deliberations, the Nodal Officers also agreed to the following

- (i) Even if the Department has no comments, it should send a response, saying that it has 'Nil Report'.
- (ii) While certain Departments have already given their comments, these comments would be sent again in the 'prescribed format' and in accordance with the points brought out in para 4 above.
- (iii) Nodal officers would ensure that the comments of their Departments on all the recommendations of the Commission and also on the representations received so far from the Staff Associations are forwarded to Implementation Cell (IC) in the prescribed format in a consolidated fashion and not in piece-meal within next two weeks.
- (iv) If a representation was made by a Staff Association before the 7th Central pay Commission and the Commission after due diligence has not accepted the demand made therein, the same matter should normally not be considered at this stage. However, if Departments consider that the issues are of such nature that they require consideration at this stage also, then they may give their comments with full justifications to the Implementation Cell (IC).

7. With the above discussions, the meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

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## **Another Milestone in the annals of Karnataka P&T Pensioners' Association**

The Executive Committee of the Association is proud of informing its Members and Well wishers that the Association has achieved another milestone in its two decade long history in securing allotment of the site in front of "Pensioners' Bhavan", the Association's own building in Telecom Lay out, off Bengaluru International Airport Road, to the Association by the Telecom Employees Co operative Housing Society Limited.

Permanent Advisors and the Executive Committee Members of the Association, express their gratitude and place on record the invaluable help and support extended to K P&T PA, by Shri G.Babu, President & Board of Directors of the Telecom Employees Cooperative Housing Society Limited by allotting the site now in continuation of the support extended to the Association earlier in construction of a building of its own, considered as a unique achievement for a Pensioners' Association.

### **Legal Matters**

#### **1. Grant of upgraded Pay Scales to Income Tax Officers / Income Tax Inspectors w.e.f 1-1-1996**

OA 86 /2008 filed by Income Tax Gazetted Officers Association, Mumbai was allowed by CAT Mumbai on 17-1-2012. Writ petition filed by the Government - WP 9649/2012 came up for hearing on 23-1-2016. Adjourned to 24-6-2016

#### **2. Grant of full pension to pre-2006 Pensioners who had retired with 20 years of qualifying service**

OA 1165/2011, OA 2165/2011 and OA 247/2012 with MA 265/2015 & 2353/2014, before CAT Principal Bench, New Delhi.— Application allowed on 21-4-2015 - Extract of relevant paras given in page-11 of Pensioners' Champion, May 2015 issue.

#### **3. Grant of full pension to pre-2006 Pensioners who had retired on superannuation & on absorption in PSUs with 10 years of qualifying service**

RA 165/2015 & RA 172/2015 before CAT, PB New Delhi – Application allowed; Order pronounced on 22-1-2016. Extract of the operative Part given in page 6

#### **3. BSNL**

#### **Anomaly in fixation of pay of BSNL employees who retired between 1-10-2000 and 31-7-2001 ie. within 10 months of formation of BSNL**

O.A.NO.2173/2014 before CAT, Principal Bench, Delhi. Came up for hearing on 3-2-2016 adjourned to 15-3-2016

#### **4. Complete parity in pension between pre-2006 & post- 2006 retirees of grade S-30.**

OA.937/2010 filed by All India S-30 Pensioners' Association & OA 2101/2010 were allowed by a common Order passed by CAT, Principal Bench, New Delhi, on 20-11-2014. Extract of the Order given in page 4 of Pensioners' Champion- December 2014.

Review Application No. RA 10/2015 filed by S-30 Pensioners' Association was disposed of by an Order passed by the CAT on 24-9-2015 wherein it has been ordered that "the basic pension of pre-2006 retirees in S-30 should be fixed such that it is not less than Rs.38,500/." Extracts of the parts of the operative part of the judgement given in pages 7-8 of October 2015 issue. Govt has filed a Writ Petition in the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi. Case No.WP(C) 5327/2015. Next date of hearing 24-2-2016.

**CAT  
ORDER**

**Central Administrative Tribunal, Principal Bench, New Delhi allows applications for grant of full pension to pre- 2006 retirees with 20 years of qualifying service and pensioners who retired on superannuation and on absorption in Government body/ undertaking with 10 years of qualifying service.**

Central Administrative Tribunal, Principal Bench, New Delhi  
Order reserved on: 13.01.2016 pronounced on: 22.01.2016.

RA 165/2015 in OA 2165/2011 With RA 172/2015 in OA 1165/2011

Applicants

RA 165/2015: 1. K.R. Srinivasan (Dr.) & others

RA 172/2015: 1. Pratap Narayan & others

Versus

Respondents

Union of India : through

1. Secretary,

Ministry of Personnel, P.G. & Pensions, Deptt. of Pensions & Pensioners Welfare, Lok Nayak Bhawan, New Delhi-110003

2. Secretary Deptt. of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, Central Secretariat, North Block, New Delhi-110001

### **ORDER**

We dispose of Review Application (RA) 165/2015 in OA 2165/2011 and RA 172/2015 in OA 1165/2011 together as the prayer made is the same.

2. This Tribunal had disposed of three OAs namely OA 1165/2011, OA 2165/2011 and OA 246/2012 vide order dated 21.04.2015. These were disposed of together on the understanding that all the OAs dealt with the same issue.

3. Through these RAs, the applicants have pointed out that while one part of their prayer has been answered in our order dated 21.04.2015; the order is silent on another part. It is stated that in OA 1165/2011, the relief sought was basically to count the qualifying service for earning full pension as 20 years for those who retired/ deemed to have retired from Central Government services on or before 31.12.2005 and were alive on that day at par with post-1.01.2006 retirees. In our order, we had allowed this prayer in para 13. It is pointed out that in OA 2165/2011, the applicants in para 8.6 of the relief clause have prayed as follows:

“8.6 The applicants pray that the U.O.I. be directed that the benefits of due pension as per the qualifying service of 20 years/ 10 years for grant of full pension with effect from 01.01.2006 be given within three months of the judgment along with interest from the dates when the payments were originally due.”

5. In our order dated 21.04.2015, while prayer for earning full pension on 20 years of service was allowed, no order had been passed regarding 10 years of qualifying service in accordance with

rule 49 (2) of CCS (Pension) Rules, which relates to superannuation whereas 20 years' clause relates to voluntary retirement. Learned counsel for the applicants has made out a case that this is an error apparent on the face of record and we may rectify the same.

12. Thus, we allow the RAs directing that in para 13, after the words "would apply both as regards pension and family pension" and before the last sentence, the following sentence shall be added:

"For parity of reasons, the qualifying service for earning pension in case of superannuation and retirement on absorption in Government body/ Government undertaking will be treated as 10 years also for those who retire from the Central Government service on or before 31.12.2005 and were alive on that date."

(Raj Vir Sharma)  
Member (J)

(P.K. Basu)  
Member (A)

**DoP & PW  
Order**

**Restoration of 1/3rd commuted portion of pension in respect of Government servants who had drawn lumpsum payment on absorption in Central Public Sector Undertakings/Central Autonomous Bodies - Stepping up of notional full pension w.e.f. 1.1.2006 for the purpose of Dearness relief and additional pension for old Pensioners.**

*O.M. No. 4/38/2008-P&PW (D) GoI, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions, (Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare) dated the 17th February, 2016.*

Orders for revision of 1/3rd restored pension of absorbees, who had drawn lumpsum payment on absorption, were issued vide this Department O.M. of even number dated 15.9.2008 as amended/modified vide O.M. No. 4/30/2010-P&PW(D) dated 11.7.2013. As per these memorandums, the full pension of the absorbees was notionally revised w.e.f. 1.1.2006 in accordance with the instructions contained in this Department O.M. No. 38/37/08-P&PW(A) dated 1.9.2008. The payment of DR and additional pension to old pensioners is regulated on the basis of the notional full pension.

2. Instructions were issued vide this Department's OM No. 38/37/08-P&PW(A) dated 28.1.2013 for stepping up of the pension of pre-2006 Pensioners w.e.f. 24.9.2012. Accordingly, the notional full pension of the absorbee pensioners was also stepped up w.e.f. 24.9.2012 in accordance with the instructions

contained in the aforesaid O.M. dated 28.1.2013 vide this Department's O.M. of even number dated 3.4.2013.

3. Instructions have now been issued vide this Department's O.M. No. 38/37/08-P&PW(A) dated 30.7.2015 for revision of pension/family pension of all pre-2006 Pensioners/Family Pensioners in accordance with this Department's O.M. dated 28.1.2013 with effect from 1.1.2006 instead of 24.9.2012. Accordingly, the notional full pension of absorbee pensioners would also be revised in accordance with the instructions contained in aforesaid OM dated 30.7.2015 w.e.f. 1.1.2006 instead of 24.9.2012 and dearness relief and additional pension for old pensioners would be admissible on such revised notional full pension.

4. This issues with the concurrence of Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure vide their I.D. No. 1(5)/EV/2012 dated 18.1.2016.

**Central Government Holiday in March 2016 - Good Friday - 26-3-2016**

**PENSIONERS' CHAMPION**

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**FEBRUARY 2016**

## Digital Life Certificate

No. 1.18.2015-P&PW (E), GoI, Ministry of personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions,  
Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare, dated 2nd February, 2015.

To,  
The Secretary, Department of Financial Services,  
Jeevan Deep Building, Sansad Marg, New Delhi-01.

Sub: Submission of Digital Life Certificate through Jeevan Pramaan Facility

Sir,

There was a report in some newspapers on 27th November, 2015 that the facility of submitting Digital Life Certificate (DLC) online by the Pensioners will be discontinued. It was clarified vide this Department's press release dated 30th November, 2015 that there was no proposal to discontinue the Digital Life Certification for the Pensioners.

2. Jeevan Pramaan, i.e., submission of Digital Life Certificate based on Aadhaar number is a very useful facility, especially in case of infirm and old pensioners. More than 12 lakh Pensioners have already used this facility till

January, 2016, of which 3.5 lakh Pensioners submitted their DLCs in the month of November, 2015.

3. Banks may be advised to stress that while this activity is totally voluntary on the part of Pensioners, and the Life certificate can be submitted by a Pensioner in any branch of the pension disbursing bank in the month of November every year through the conventional methods also, there are possible benefits of availing the Digital Life Certificate (DLC) methodology to the Pensioner and it is his/her choice to make use of this facility.

BSNL

### Merger of 78.2% of IDA with pension – Status

The cabinet note is with the new Secretary, Telecom, Shri J.S. Deepak. Once Secretary clears the file, the note will be submitted to Minister of Communications and then to the Cabinet. All the points raised by the various Ministries have reportedly been addressed in the cabinet note. The cabinet note also addresses the issue of 'the arrangement' made between Government and BSNL as required under Sub Rule 22 of Rule 37A of CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972. However, the details of the new 'arrangement' proposed are not known.

*Curtsey: AIBSNLWA*

### For the Attention of Members

Please Furnish your email id (if any) & your Mobile Phone number to the Association to update the particulars in the "Members Register". The information may please be furnished only through SMS/letter - Mobile No. 9483467750

Donations received for Association		
LM/ALM	Name (Smt./Sri)	Rs/-
48	S.M.Vittala Rao	8000
922	K.Saroja(FP)	5000
442	M.S.Venkataramaiah	1500
1312	T.A.Sampathkumaran	1000
832	M.G.N.Moorthy	1000
2362	H.Dasaratha Rao	1000

ALL INDIA CONSUMER PRICE INDEX				
Month	CPI Base 2001=100	12 Months' Total	Monthly % increase Ave.	increase over 115.76
July 15	263	3064	255.33	120.57
Dec 15	269	3137	261.42	125.83

Expected DA/DR w.e.f. 1.1.2016: 125%

By. K.B. Krishna Rao



**Photos of Get-together of RMS & MMS Pensioners on 3-1-2016**

(Report in page 17 of January, 2016 issue)



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- 1. Sri K.K. Gangadharan, Convenor, welcoming the Chief Guest and others.
- 2 & 3 Prof. B. Gangadhara Murthy, former prof. of English, National College, Gauribidanur, lighting the lamp and addressing.
- 4. Smt. & Sri B.N. Krishna Murthy cutting the cake
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- 6 to 8 Felicitations to seniors of 70 & 80 years.



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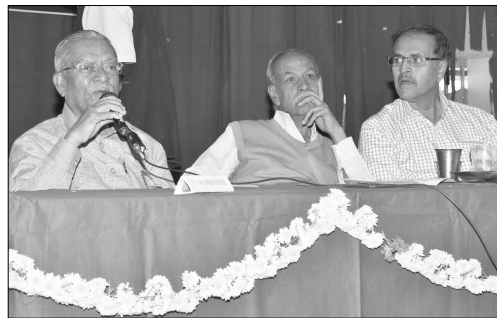
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- 9 to 13. Felicitations to seniors of 70 & 80 years
- 14. Sri K.B. Krishna Rao, Secretary, K P&T P A addressing
- 15. Sri K.R. Kambaiah, addressing
- 16. Sri S.M. Vittal Rao, President, addressing

Photos of Charitable Function held on 6.2.2016 in Govt. Primary School, Yelahanka (Report in Page 20)



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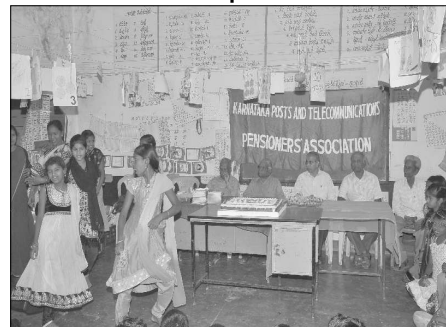
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1. Invocation by a Student
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- 5 to 8 Dance programme by students



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- 9. Students enacting a humorous play
- 10. Sri K.B. Krishna Rao, Secretary, K P&T PA, addressing
- 11 to 15. E.C. Members of K P&T PA distributing writing materials
- 16. Representatives of K P&T PA

**COORDINATION COMMITTEE OF  
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**23451578**

No. CCCGPA/ VII CPC/2016

**MEMORANDUM**

Date: 19-01-2016

To

The Cabinet Secretary, Govt. of India, and Chairman,  
Empowered Committee of Secretaries on 7th CPC,  
Cabinet Secretariat, Rashtrapati Bhawan,  
New Delhi - 110 004  
(email:cabinet@nic.in)

Respected Sir,

**Subject: Extension of Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) Facility to the Pensioners/Family Pensioners of Statutory/Autonomous bodies like Coffee Board, Central Silk Board, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sanghatan, National Council of Science Museum, Khadi & Village Industries Commission, Rubber Board, Spices Board, Tea Board, Tobacco Board, Indian Institute of Management, Indian Institute of Science, etc.**

We would like to bring to your kind notice a long pending demand of the Pensioners & Family Pensioners of the Statutory / Autonomous bodies listed above with the fond hope that the issue would get resolved under your benign Leadership as the chairman of the Empowered Committee of the Secretaries constituted to process the recommendations of the 7th Central Pay Commission with regard to all relevant factors of the 7th CPC in an expeditious, detailed and holistic fashion, which includes provision of better Health Care Facilities to Serving employees, Pensioners and Family Pensioners.

2. The 7<sup>th</sup> Central Pay Commission in Chapter 9.5 of its report in para 9.5.18 states that "*The Commission strongly recommends the introduction of health insurance scheme for Central Government employees and pensioners. In the interregnum, for the benefit of pensioners residing outside the CGHS areas, the Commission recommends that CGHS*

*should empanel those hospitals which are already empanelled under CS (MA)/ECHS for catering to the medical requirement of these pensioners on a cashless basis.*

3. All these Statutory /Autonomous bodies are under the administrative control of the Ministries of the Government of India. Coffee Board, Tea Board, Spices Board and Tobacco Board are under the Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan is under the Ministry of Human Recourses Development, Khadi & Village Industries Commission, is under the Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises, Central Silk Board is under the Ministry of Textiles and the National Council of Science Museum is under the Ministry of Culture

4. Pensioners and Family Pensioners of the above said Statutory/ Autonomous bodies, which are being administered by the Central Ministries, are governed by the Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules, 1972 and the

modifications to Pension Rules introduced consequent to implementation of the recommendations of successive Central Pay Commissions have also been extended to them on par with other Central Government Pensioners/Family Pensioners.

5. So far as Medical facilities are concerned, Central Govt. Pensioners are covered by the "Central Govt. Health Scheme (CGHS)", the Railway Pensioners by the "Retired Employees Liberalized Health Scheme (RELHS)" and the Ex-Servicemen by the "Ex-Servicemen Contributory Health Scheme (ECHS)". But unfortunately, the retirees from some of the Statutory/ Autonomous bodies have been deprived of the Medical Facilities under any Health Scheme which are available to other Central Government Pensioners and Family pensioners.

6. Most appalling is the fact that even among the Pensioners of Statutory/ Autonomous bodies, while some have been extended CGHS facility, others are denied the same, thereby discriminating one set of Pensioners from the other. Striking disparity lies in denial of (1) CGHS facility to Pensioners of a statutory body whereas the Serving employees of the same organization are provided CGHS benefits and (2) Pensioners of the same organizations residing in different places are discriminated against. A few examples given below will narrate the injustice meted out them.

a) CGHS facility has been extended to the Pensioners of Autonomous bodies like Indian Council of Agriculture Research, New Delhi, Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi, Council of Scientific and Industrial Research, New Delhi, Indian Council of Medical Research, New Delhi, NCERT, New Delhi, and very recently, CGHS facility was extended to retired employees of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan in Delhi/NCR, - vide O.M. Nos. 11016/8/2015-CGHS(P) dated 29.5.2015 and Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR), New Delhi/NCR (CGHS facility,- vide MoH &

FW OM dated 2-12-2015)

#### **Whereas**

Pensioners who retired from the same Organizations but residing in places **outside Delhi** are denied CGHS facility.

b). Central Government employees, who were permanently absorbed in Statutory/ Autonomous bodies and retired from such bodies, are eligible for CGHS,

#### **Whereas**

Employees of the same Statutory bodies are denied the facility after their retirement.

c). Employees of the Statutory/Autonomous bodies are eligible for medical facilities while they are in service in that they are covered by Central Services (Medical attendance) Rules 1944.

#### **Whereas**

After their retirement from service, they are left in the lurch and are not provided with any medical facility.

7. The demand of the Pensioners of Statutory/ Autonomous bodies for provision of either CGHS or any other medical facility on par with Central Govt. Pensioners has been pending since several years and their efforts in getting the medical benefit have not been fruitful. There is an urgent need to bring them under a Health Scheme to cater to their medicare, especially in their old age when they belonged to that vulnerable group of older people, who often face medical emergencies requiring immediate medical attention and treatment.

**8. Even the Hon'ble High Courts and Supreme Court have also held that right to health, medical aid to protect the health and vigor of a worker while in service or after retirement is a Fundamental Right under Article 21 read with Article 39(e), 41, 43, 48-A and all related Articles of the Constitution of India and Fundamental Human Rights enjoin to make the life of employees meaningful and purposeful**

with dignity of person. In the light of the Hon'ble Supreme Court's verdict, the Pensioners/Family Pensioners of Statutory/Autonomous Bodies listed in this memorandum are entitled to medical benefits either under CGHS or any other medical benefits on par with the Pensioners of Central Government and other Statutory/Autonomous Bodies.

9. The Co ordination Committee of Central Government Pensioners' Associations, Karnataka ,Bangalore in its Memorandum submitted to the 7th CPC and in oral submissions made before the Commission in its meeting with the Pay Commission held on 24-8-2014 at Bangalore, had requested the Pay Commission to recommend extension of CGHS facility uniformly to all retirees of the Statutory/Autonomous bodies covered by the CCS(Pension) Rules, 1972 and the

Chairman had assured that the demand would be considered. The Pay Commission in its report, while recommending introduction of Health Insurance Scheme for all Pensioners. has stated that in the interregnum, more number of hospitals must be empanelled under CGHS to cater to the needs of CGHS beneficiaries.

10. We therefore request the Empowered Committee to view the demand of Pensioners of Statutory/Autonomous bodies in its entirety, consider sympathetically and recommend to the Government to extend CGHS facility uniformly or any other Health Scheme to all retirees of the Statutory/Autonomous bodies covered by the CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972.

Thanking you Sir,  
K.B. Krishna Rao  
Chairman

Yours faithfully,  
S.Radhakrishna  
General Secretary

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No. CCCGPA/ VII CPC/2016

**MEMORANDUM**

Date: 20-01-2016

To

The Cabinet Secretary, Govt. of India, and Chairman,  
Empowered Committee of Secretaries on 7th CPC,  
Cabinet Secretariat, Rashtrapati Bhawan,  
New Delhi - 110 004  
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Respected Sir,

**Subject: Extension of recommendations of 7th Central Pay Commission to BSNL Pensioners and application of same fitment formula for revision of their pension on par with Central Government Pensioners w.e.f. 1-1-2016**

The Coordination Committee of Central Government Pensioners' Associations, Karnataka, Bangalore would like to bring to your kind notice the demand of the Pensioners & Family Pensioners of Bharat Sancahr Nigam Limited ( B S N L ) regarding Extension of the recommendations of 7<sup>th</sup> Central Pay Commission to BSNL Pensioners and application of same fitment formula for revision of their pension on par with Central Government Pensioners with the fond hope that the issue would get resolved under your benign Leadership as the Chairman of the Empowered Committee of the Secretaries constituted to process the recommendations of the 7th Central Pay Commission with regard to all relevant factors of the 7th CPC in an expeditious, detailed and holistic fashion.

2. BSNL (Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited) was carved out of Department of Telecommunications (DoT) on 1-10-2000 and the employees were transferred en masse to BSNL on optional basis. Before formation of BSNL, as a result of several rounds of discussions between the service Unions and the

Government, it was agreed by the Govt. to grant retirement benefits to BSNL Pensioners computed on the basis of their combined service in DoT & BSNL in accordance with CCS( Pension) Rules 1972. The Government of India agreed to pay pension/family pension from the "Consolidated Fund". Accordingly, to facilitate payment of pension/family pension to BSNL pensioners, a new rule, Rule 37-A was incorporated in CCS (Pension) Rules 1972 and the same was notified by the Government in the Official Gazette on 30.9.2000.

3. Subsequently, the employees of DoT who had opted for BSNL were absorbed in BSNL in the year 2002 however, with retrospective effect from 1.10.2000, the date of formation of BSNL. Their pay scales were revised from CDA pattern to IDA pattern retrospectively from 1.10.2000 with industrial dearness allowance (IDA). The employees, who retired from BSNL after 1.10.2000, had rendered their maximum service in Department of Telecom. Most of them had served in DoT for more than 30 years and were entitled for pensionery benefits.



4. The recommendations of the 6th Central Pay Commission constituted by the Government for revision of pay and pension of Central Govt. employees and pensioners were implemented with effect from 1-1-2006. The Department of Telecommunications vide its I D No.40-31/ 2008-Pen(T) dated 18-3-2009 sought a clarification from the Department of Pension and PW as to whether the modifications to CCS(Pension) Rules introduced w.e.f. 1-1-2006 as a consequence of acceptance of 6<sup>th</sup> CPC report, can be made applicable to former DoT employees who were absorbed in BSNL and had retired from there. DoP&PW in its reply dated 27-4-2009 confirming applicability of the revised pension rules to BSNL retirees stated that **“BSNL is the only PSU that has been granted a special dispensation under sub-rule 21 of Rule 37-A of CCS(Pension) Rules to the effect that pensionary benefits including family pension to the absorbed employees of BSNL is paid by the Government”**. Acting upon the clarification issued by DoP&PW, the Department of Telecommunications extended the benefits of 6<sup>th</sup> CPC to BSNL retirees vide its Order No.40-31/2008-pen(T) dated 4/15, May 2009 and clarificatory order of even No. dated 12-8-2009, which stated that **“Revised rules of pension calculation as per 6th CPC with regard to limit of DCRG, Commutation table, emoluments, qualifying service etc. is applicable to IDA pensioners of BSNL covered under Rule 37-A w.e.f. 1-1-2006”**.

4.1. While modifications to CCS(Pension) Rules 1972 introduced from 1-1-2006 with regards to qualifying service for full pension, grant of Age-related additional pension to old pensioners, enhancement of the limit of gratuity, increase in the minimum & maximum amounts of pension/ family pension, revision of commutation table etc. were made applicable to BSNL pensioners on par with Central Govt. pensioners, **the fitment formula for revision of pension admissible to Central Govt. Pensioners was not extended to BSNL**

**pensioners, though they were also getting pension under the same set of Pension Rules.**

It is worth noting that:

(1) Modified parity in pension granted to the Central Govt. Pensioners vide para 4.2 of DoP&PW OM dated 1-9-2008 was extended to BSNL pensioners also vide DoT OM dated 15-3-2011 which stated that *“ the fixation of pension will be subject to the provision that the revised pension, in no case , shall be lower than fifty percent 50 % of the minimum of the pay in the pay scale corresponding to the pre-revised pay scale from which the BSNL pensioner had retired”*.

(2) Explanation under sub-rule 8 of Rule 37-A (CCS Pension Rules 1972) states: *“The amount of pension/family pension of the absorbed employee on retirement or on death from Public Sector Undertaking shall be calculated in the same way as calculated in the case of a Central Government Servant, retiring or dying on the same day”*.

(3) The minimum & maximum pension for the absorbed BSNL retirees is fixed on the basis of CDA pay and not on IDA pay. DoT OM No.40-13/2002-PEN (T) dated 15.1.2003 clarifies as follows: *“The ceiling on minimum and maximum pension as existing in CCS (Pension) Rules shall continue unless specifically approved otherwise by the Government”*.

Thus, BSNL pensioners have all along been treated on par with Central Govt. pensioners and all the pensionary benefits admissible to Central pensioners are made applicable to BSNL pensioners also, **except the same fitment formula for computation of revised pension.**

5. The 7<sup>th</sup> Central Pay Commission constituted in February, 2014 had called for the views of all the stake holders. The Coordination Committee of Central Government Pensioners'

Associations, Karnataka, Bangalore caused inclusion of the demand of BSNL pensioners for extension of the “**same fitment formula to BSNL pensioners**” in the common Memorandum submitted by the Bharat Central Pensioners Confederation, (BCPC), New Delhi to the 7<sup>th</sup> Central Pay Commission. In pursuance of this demand, CCCGPA, Karnataka in its meeting with the Pay Commission held on 24-8-2014 at Bangalore, through a power point presentation, inter alia, explained the demand ibid, and implored the Central Pay Commission to consider the demand favourably. The President of All India BSNL pensioners’ welfare Association, Karnataka, an affiliate of CCCGPA, Karnataka, submitted a Memorandum to the Pay Commission and also made oral submissions on the subject. The Pay Commission gave a patient hearing and was quite receptive. The Chairman, Justice Shri A.K.Mathur, after seeking some details from the Representative, passed a remark that “**There is a Prima-facie in the demand**”. The remarks made by the Pay Commission gladdened the

Representatives of CCCGPA attending the meeting and they were hopeful that the Pay Commission would consider their demand, recommend its acceptance and include the same in its report to the Government.

But, it is noted with great disappointment that the 7<sup>th</sup> CPC report is silent on the reasonable & justified demand of BSNL pensioners.

6. It is in this background that we are now constrained to approach the Empowered Committee of the Secretaries of the Government of India headed by your kind self with a fervent request to consider the demand of BSNL pensioners in its entirety and recommend to the Government for extension of all 7<sup>th</sup> CPC recommendations including the fitment formula for revision of pension to BSNL pensioners on par with Central Govt. pensioners w.e.f 1-1-2016 which will go a long way in redress of their long pending grievance.

Thanking you Sir,  
K.B. Krishna Rao  
Chairman

Yours faithfully,  
S.Radhakrishna  
General Secretary

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**Health awareness programme on diabetes at CGHS, WC, Koramangala  
Starting from 10th March, 2016**

The programme is free and open to all CGHS beneficiaries; but will be more useful to diabetes patients and their families. Registration is mandatory. Registration can be done at Admn room, WC, Koramangala.

Topics planned are: how to use a glucometer (with practical demo), foot care in diabetes, diet in diabetes, low sugar (hypoglycemia) recognition, management and prevention Participants to reach at 2 pm.

**Charitable Function held at Govt. Primary School, Yelahanka**

By- S.M.Vittal Rao, Auditor, K P&T PA

Under the auspices of the Karnataka P&T Pensioners' Association, a charitable function was arranged on Saturday, the 6th February, 2016 in Government Primary School, 4th Phase, Yelahanka New Town, Bangalore at 10 a.m. Sri K.B. Krishna Rao, Secretary, K P&T PA presided over the meeting held on the occasion. S/s. S.M.Vittal Rao, Auditor, K.R. Anantha Ramu, Treasurer, A.Kanagamani, M.Nanjunde Gowda, and B.L.Channappa, all Executive Committee Members, were present.

Students and all the Teaching Staff of the School, including the Head Mistress, Smt.M.S.Anusuya Devi were present. Teachers, Smt. N.Vasanthakumari, Smt. B.L.Shobha, Smt.J.Gangarathna, Smt. S. F. Asuntha and Smt. N.J.Asha Teachers extended their support in smooth conduct of the celebrations.

After invocation rendered by a student, Smt. N.Vasanthakumari, Teacher, welcomed the Representatives of KP&TPA and appreciated the gesture of the Association in arranging a charitable function in the School in aid of the students. She said that the Association has been encouraging the students since several years and had in the previous year given cash awards of Rs. 1000/- each to six meritorious students of the School.

A few groups of students exhibited their

skills in singing and dancing. A humorous play enacted by a group of students evoked peals of laughter. The performance of all the groups was applauded by the Audience

Sri K.B.Krishna Rao, Secretary K P&T PA in his speech, in a simple language, advised the students to concentrate on their studies, to be disciplined, obedient and to respect their Teachers & Parents, which would mould them into becoming good citizens. He announced that with a view to encourage students to perform better in their final exams in the year 2016, KP&TPA would give away cash awards to 9 students of classes 5,6 &7, who secure 90% marks.

A big cake brought by Sri S.M.Vittal Rao in memory of his granddaughter, was cut by a few students and distributed to all those present. Note Books, Ball point pens, and Fruits were distributed among the students by the Members of the Executive Committee on behalf of the Association. Fruit bowls were also presented to the Teaching Staff of the School. The Head Mistress, proposing vote of thanks, said that she was thankful to K P&T PA for the concern shown by it in the well-being of the students of her school and for distributing reading and writing materials to them. She hoped that the Association would continue to extend help to the students in the years to come.

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