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Digital Life Certificate – Linking of Offices of General Managers (Postal Accounts and Finance) / Directors of Postal Accounts with Jeevan Pramaan Portal to facilitate online delivery of the DLC generated on Jevan Pramaan Portal website to the Pension Disbursing Post Offices – Acceptance of PDF copy of DLC by Post Offices pending completion of the process - Letter by KP&TPA to the Department of Posts

Department of Pension and Pensioners Welfare, as a part of its welfare activities towards central government pensioners promoted digital life certificate amongst them and roped in the services of many pensioners associations in the country to assist the Dept. of Pension to broad base the use of digital life certificate by pensioners especially those who are old and infirm and are unable to visit post offices or banks to submit annual life certificate due to be submitted by every pensioner in the month of November. In yet another pensioner friendly initiative, DoP&PW has decided to allow pensioners aged 80 years and above to submit life certificate in October

every year which will be valid till 30th November of the subsequent year.

Karnataka Posts and Telecommunications Pensioners Association, Bangalore, a former member of the Standing Committee of Voluntary Agencies (SCOVA) and one of the Associations identified under the National E-Governance Plan (NeGP), has been identified by DoP&PW to assist pensioners in getting their Digital Life Certificate from the comfort of their homes and has supplied two iris scanner enabled equipment-Samsung Galaxy Tablet- to the association. The representatives of the association visited the residences of more than 150 pensioners

in November 2018 and, with the use of the equipment supplied by DOP&PW, helped the pensioners in getting Digital Life Certificate from Jeevan Pramaan website from the confines of their homes. It was also found that the initiative of DoP&PW was extremely helpful to the pensioners especially for those who were in their advanced age and some others who were infirm and therefore were unable to visit the pension disbursing banks for submission of life certificate.

The facility of submission of life certificate on line from their homes could be availed of by only such of those pensioners who are drawing pension from Banks .The Digital Life Certificate (DLC) that is generated by making use of the tab supplied by DoP&PW got automatically transmitted and delivered electronically to the pension paying branch of the bank through the Central Pension Processing Centre(CPPC) of the respective bank and the pensioner got a message on his / her registered mobile phone number regarding successful submission of life certificate and the process of submission of life certificate was completed. This facility of delivery of digital life certificate electronically to the pension paying bank was possible because the CPPCs of the banks are linked to Jeevan Pramaan portal Website/ NIC.

But, Postal Pensioners and others, getting their pension from the post offices, could not avail the facility of submission of life certificate electronically from the comfort of their homes since the pension paying post offices are not linked to Jeevan Pramaan website/NIC and hence the Digital Life Certificate generated at their residence is not transmitted on line to the pension paying post office. They were, therefore, deprived of the facility made available to other Central Government pensioners by the DoP&PW. Postal pensioners had to necessarily go to the post office for submitting their life certificate despite their advanced age and physical infirmity.

In order to extend the facility stated above to Postal Pensioners also, it is requested that immediate necessary action may kindly be caused to be taken in the matter to ensure that Pension Disbursing Post Offices are linked to Jeevan Pramaan Portal/ NIC so that the Digital Life Certificate is electronically delivered to the Pension Disbursing Post Offices and in turn the pensioner gets a message on his/her registered mobile phone number in confirmation of the submission of Life Certificate.

Linking of postal pensioners with Jeevan Pramaan Portal seems to be quite possible now consequent upon centralisation of pension payment at the O/o the General Manager, Postal Accounts and Finance / Director of Accounts (Postal) . On introduction of new Core System Integration (CSI) software in the Department of Posts w.e.f. 1-10-2018, pension payments are centrally uploaded to the POSB accounts of the pensioners directly by the O/o the General Manager, Postal Accounts & Finance or Director of Postal Accounts, as the case may be, instead of the Head Post Offices, which were earlier crediting pension to the SB accounts of pensioners drawing pension from the post offices under the respective H P Os. PAOs of DoPosts ie. O/ o the GM (PAF)/ DA (P) are now functioning as the Central Pension Processing Centres (CPPCs) for pension disbursing post offices. Hence a link from Jeevan Pramaan Portal/NIC needs to be established /provided only to the GM (PAF) or DA (P) in postal circles and not to all pension disbursing post offices which makes it easier for on line submission of DLC by pensioners. Postal PAOs will acknowledge receipt of DLC by sending a SMS to the registered mobile phone number of the pensioner thereby completing the process.

Providing link between Jeevan Praaman Portal/NIC and Postal PAOs may take some time and may not be immediately possible to facilitate submission of DLC on line in October 2019 by pensioners aged 80 and above and

other pensioners in November 2019. Hence the pensioners may be allowed to submit PDF copies of the DLC generated on Jeevan Pramaan Portal to the pension disbursing post offices either personally or through a family member or through an agent.

Karnataka P&T Pensioners' Association, as advised by the Dept. of Pension & PW, will conduct special camps for DLC in the months of October and November 2019 in Bengaluru and will also send its representatives to the residences of old and infirm pensioners to assist them in submission of life certificate. A PDF copy of the DLC, generated using Aadhar based Biometric Authentication System on Jeevan Pramaan Portal, using the Iris scanner enabled equipment - Samsung Galaxy Tablet – supplied to the association by DoP&W, will be given to the pensioner for submission to the pension disbursing post office. In deserving cases the association will make arrangements for submission of the PDF copy of DLC to the concerned post office.

It is, therefore, requested that necessary instructions may kindly be

caused to be issued to all postal circles to advise all the pension disbursing post offices to accept the PDF copy of the DLC submitted by an agent /family member of the pensioner or the representative of the Pensioners' Association without insisting on the personal appearance of the pensioner which will go a long way in helping the old, physically disabled, infirm and immobile pensioners to submit Digital life certificate from their homes.

Note: 1 Letters on similar lines have been written to the Chief Post Master General, Karnataka Circle & the General Manager, Postal Accounts & Finance, Bangalore with the request to instruct all Pension Disbursing Post Offices to accept PDF copy of Digital Life Certificate pending issauance of instructions from the Deptartment of Posts, New Delhi & completion of the process of linking of postal PAOs with Jeevan Pramaan Portal for direct online delivery of DLC.

*Note:* 2 A copy of this letter has been sent to DoP&PW also for pursuing the issue with the Postal Directorate.

Senior Citizens Gol, Ministry of Communications, Department of Posts letter NO.113-01/2017-SB dated 25-6-2019 addressed to all Heads of Postal Circles

Separate queues / arrangements for Senior Citizens in Post Offices

It is felt that there is a provision for giving priority treatment to Senior Citizens in Post Offices in sync with our value system of due care & attention to elders.

Accordingly, I am directed to request you to issue instructions to all concerned for making provision for separate queues/ arrangements in Post Offices for Senior Citizens

This issues with the approval of the competent authority

Note: Shri Satyaprakash Gupta, Secy., P&TPA, Rajasthan, Jaipur, had taken up this issue with DOPosts and had pursued it further.

Devendra Sharma,

Assistant Director (SBPG)

### APPEAL FOR DONATIONS FOR THE BUILDING

We appeal to our Members who have not yet paid their contribution to the building fund to consider remitting their donation to facilitate provision of a lift to the new building. 37th list of donations is published in this issue.

Donation to be remitted by *crossed cheque* payable to "Karnataka P&T Pensioners' Association". Cheques may please be sent to: K.R.Anantha Ramu, No 1158, 7th Main, 7th Block, HMT Layout, Vidyaranyapura, Bangalolre-560097. (Mob: 9448477129)

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SEPTEMBER 2019

### Digital Life Certificate

## Submission of Life Certificate by Pensioners in November 2019

All Pensioners are required to submit their Life Certificate to the Pension Disbursing Authority every year in November before 20<sup>th</sup> of the month.

Last year in November, KP&TPA volunteers visited residences of many pensioners and assisted them in submission of Digital Life Certificate. (Submission of life certificate electronically through Jeevan Pramaan Portal ). With a view to continue the services of the association to the pensioners, KP&TPA Executive Committee Members / volunteers would visit the residences of WILLING pensioners in Bengaluru in November 2019 and assist them in getting the Digital Life Certificate (DLC) from the comforts of their home. They will carry with them the equipment supplied to the association by the Pension Department - Iris scanner enabled equipment - Samsung Galaxy Tablet -needed to generate DLC.

Pensioners in Bengalururu who would like to avail this facility are requested to keep handy their (1) Mobile phone (2) Aadhaar Card (3) Pension Payment Order (PPO) and (4) SB

account number to which their pension is credited, which are essential for registration of their names with Jevan Pramaan Portal for getting Digital Life Certificate.

Pensioners who would like to avail this facility may please furnish their Name, Phone number and Address before **30**<sup>th</sup> **October 2019** by post/ SMS/WhatsApp message / email to:

### V.Gopal, Joint Secretary:

Flat No.5-B-20,
1st Phase, Nandi garden Apartments
Avalahalli, JPNagar 9th Phase,
Bangalore-560108
Mobile: 8197918085
(Mobile for SMS or Whats App
message only)

email: pensionersbhavan@gmail.com

Note: Department of Pension, vide its order dated 18-7-2019, has allowed pensioners aged 80 years and above to submit life certificate in October. KP&TPA EC Members/Volunteers would visit the residences of willing pensioners in October, in Bengaluru to assist them in submission of DLC. For other details please refer to the matter on the subject in page 7 of June 2019 issue of the journal.

### **Our Readers Write**

I profusely thank you for the pains you have taken to identify the pensioners affected by the Pension Department's order contained in OMs dated 28-1-2013 as subsequently modified thereafter in OMs dated 12-5-2017 and 6-7-2017 and the lead you have taken by addressing the authorities concerned to help speed up the process of issuance of revised PPOs. I thank you for the kind gesture on your part in taking up my case with so much effort and earnestness to help.

### Y.Appala Raju, LM 1759, Retd.S R M, RMS'Z'Dn, Hyderabad

I appreciate your approach towards issues concerning members of the association even in respect of a newly enrolled member like me. The association's efforts in addressing the PAOs concerned for revision of pension consequent to increase in GP of grade S-12 retirees is appreciable. I hope that my PAO which has not taken any action so far will initiate immediate action in the matter now and issue revised PPO

H.G. Mate, LM 2781, Retd PM, Beed HO, Maharastra

(SCOVA)

Gol, Ministry of Personnel, P.G and Pensions Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare No. 42/03/2019-P&PW (D) Dated: 03rd Sept, 2019

Action Taken Report on the minutes of the 30th SCOVA meeting and New Agenda Items of the 31st SCOVA meeting

Item no. 5(ii) Health Insurance Scheme for pensioners including those residing in Non-CGHS area

Ministry of Health: The final EFC Memo regarding finalization of the proposed Health Insurance Scheme for Central Government Employees and Pensioners was forwarded for appraisal of Expenditure Finance Committee. The Ministry is pursuing the matter with Department of Expenditure.

Item 5(vi)Anomaly in fixation of pension of DoT employees who were absorbed in BSNL and retired between 01.10.2000 and 30.07.2001

DoT: As regards the formula suggested by Department of Pension and Pensioners' Welfare, opinion/views of Department of Public Enterprises (DPE) have been sought on 19.11.2018 on the matter whether any other similar case of anomaly of pension has been reported by any other Ministry and how the anomaly was resolved in that case. Reminder sent on 25.06.2019 and reply is still awaited from DPE. Regarding the court case, a WP(C) No. 10019/2017 has been filed in the Delhi High Court and the Hon'ble High Court has directed that no coercive steps shall be taken for implementing the judgement dated 16.12.2016 of Hon'ble CAT. The Delhi High Court in its order dated 08.02.2019 ordered that both the counsels shall prepare a common convenience volume of documents that they wish to rely on. Next date of hearing is 08.01.2020.

Department of Expenditure : The compiled information as sought by Department of Expenditure is still pending from DoT.

Item no. 5(xi) Timely (i) Restoration of commuted pension and (ii) Commencement of Additional Pension on attaining the age of 80 years by the Banks.

CPAO :The matter is being reviewed/taken up from time to time with all the CPPCs. It has been observed that banks restore commuted value of pension timely only in very few cases and in most of the cases, restoration is done after 4 to 5 months delay after completion of 15 years from the date of credit/payment of commutation value. Most of the CPPCs have already developed software for restoration of commutation amount and commencement of Additional Pension on attaining the age of 80 years and have informed that payment of the same is made automatically.

DFS: Most of the banks have automated system for restoration of commuted pension after 15 years and also for commencement of additional pension on attaining the age of 80 years. Few banks where automated system is not available are taking action manually within time limit.

### Item no. 5(xv): Setting up of CGHS Wellness Centre at Kochi

Ministry of Health and Family Welfare: Opening of new CGHS Wellness Centre at Kochi has been approved. A building for the same has also been identified and legal formalities are underway to take the building on rent. CGHS Wellness centre shall start functioning once the possession of the building is taken and necessary renovations are done.

### Central Government Holidays in OCTOBER 2019

- 1. Mahatma Gandhi's Birthday 2nd October, Wednesday
- 2. Dussehra (Maha Navami) 7th October, Monday
- 3. Dussehra (Vijayadashami) 8th October, Tuesday

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SCOVA Item (30.1) Revision of PPOs of pre-2016 pensioners/family pensioners as per 7th CPC orders.

Status report regarding revision of PPOs of pre-2016 pensioners as per 7th CPC, as on date is as under:-

### PPOs pending for revision:

CPAO: 2.44 lakh, Railways: 1,56,934, Def. Civilians: 41,984, Dept. of Posts: 23,862

Item no. (30.3) Extension of benefit of modified parity/revision of pension by pay fixation method to pensioners drawing Compulsory retirement pension/Compassionate Allowance (on dismissal/removal)

Department of Expenditure: Reply has already been sent to DoPPW vide DoE's ID note dated 21.05.2018. DoPPW: A fresh proposal has been referred to Department of Expenditure on 16.08.2019 for their consideration based on a decision taken in the recent JCM meeting

Item No. (30.5) Revision of CGHS package rates suitable for attracting more private hospitals for empanelment.

Ministry of Health and Family Welfare: Empanelment of private hospitals under CGHS is a continuous process. Revision of rates is an administrative matter. Many Hospitals and Diagnostic Centres are applying for empanelment under CGHS at the current rates in all CGHS cities. As on 31.07.2019, a total of 681 private hospitals, 374 Eye Centres, 176 Dental Clinics and 229 Diagnostic Centre and Imaging Centres are empanelled under CGHS.

31st Meeting of Standing Committee of Voluntary Agencies (SCOVA) held on September 05, 2019

### **New Agenda Items**

(31.5) Revision of pension/family pension under 7th CPC in terms of Do P&PW OM dated 12th May, 2017 in respect of the pensioners who were in receipt of compulsory retirement pension and compassionate allowance under Rules 40 and 41 of CCS(Pension) Rules, 1972

Do P&PW OM No.38/37/2016-P&PW(A) dated 12-5-2017, issued in implementation of 7th CPC recommendation states vide Para 11 that the orders contained therein are not applicable for the purpose of revision of pension of those pensioners who were drawing compulsory retirement pension under Rule 40 of the or compassionate allowance under Rule 41 of the CCS (Pension) Rules and pensioners in these categories would continue to be entitled to revised pension in accordance with the instructions contained in O.M. dated 4.8.2016. In the 5th and 6th Pay Commissions also, the benefit of pension @ 50% of the minimum pay of pay-scale was not extended to such pensioners who were compulsorily retired or were dismissed/retired from service. It is requested that these orders may be reviewed and all benefits of pension revision may be extended in the case of compulsory retirement pension as well as compassionate allowance (Action: DOP&PW)

Editors Note: The above item was suggested by KP&TPA for inclusion in the agenda items for the 31<sup>st</sup> meeting of SCOVA held on 5-9-2019. Reference: page 5 of Pensioners' Champion February 2019 issue

(31.11) CGHS contribution at the rates prevailing while the old P&T pensioners retired from service: The P&T Pensioners were precluded from joining CGHS due to the orders of the Health Ministry for a long time. P & T dispensaries have been merged with CGHS dispensaries

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and P&T employees/pensioner have been extended the CGHS facility on the recommendations of the 7th CPC. Now it is not reasonable and justifiable to ask the old Pensioners to pay subscription as per the rates revised after 7th CPC. It is requested that they may be permitted to remit the rates prevailed during the time of their retirement. (Action: Ministry of Health and Family Welfare) (31.12) CGHS Facility for BSNL Pensioners at rates prevalent at the time of formation of BSNL in 1999: At the time of formation of BSNL in 1999, BSNL pensioners were allowed to enroll themselves under CGHS. Accordingly, many pensioners had come under CGHS and obtained CGHS cards. But later when the medical reimbursement scheme was started under BSNL many CGHS card holders of BSNL joined the new BSNL scheme by surrendering their CGHS cards as the medical reimbursement scheme was being more beneficial. But while surrendering CGHS cards, the registration amount deposited by them had not been refunded. Now, the situation is that BSNL medical reimbursement scheme has become unattractive due to paucity of funds and many beneficiaries would like to go back to the CGHS facility. Therefore it is urged that the intending BSNL pensioners may be allowed to enroll themselves under CGHS by accepting the rates prevalent at the time of formation of BSNL in 1999. Those already enrolled under CGHS and had surrendered their cards, may be allowed to continue to avail the CGHS facility without any fresh registration fee as they had already deposited the fee with the CGHS. (Action: Ministry of Health and Family Welfare).

# CGHS Ayurveda, Homeopathy and Unani (AYUSH)services at CGHS Wellness Centre No.10, C V Raman Nagar, Bengaluru 560093

Gol, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Central Government Health Scheme, Additional Director, CGHS, Bengaluru, Office Order No.Z/6094/1/2014/BNG/CGHS/3204 dated 9-9-2019

To effectuate the vision of Honourable Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modiji to popularise and cater services of AYUSH systems for majority of population under the initiative of the Hon'ble Minister of Health and Family Welfare, Govt. of India, it has been decided to extend services of Ayurveda, Homeopathy and Unani Doctors to larger section of CGHS beneficiaries.

Obliging the long pending demand of beneficiaries of WC No.10, considering the request of Central Govt. Pensioners, services of AYUSH doctors have been extended to the CGHS beneficiaries of Bengaluru at the new premises of WC No.10, DRDO, C V Raman Nagar, in public interest.

Posting of AYUSH doctors and pharmacists will be on rotational basis within the existing strength.

The extended units of AYUSH will be under the administrative control of the CMO I/C, WC No.10

Leave of any kind by the MOs and staff of extended units shall be managed internally amongst the existing staff

This order is issued in public interest for the benefit of CGHS beneficiaries and will be effective from 19-9-2019

Additional Director, CGHS, Bengaluru

Editors Note: On the advice of Sri A.Poobalan, CGHS Advisory Committee member, WC 10 this issue was taken up by CCCGPA, Karnataka, with the Additional Director, CGHS in the meeting held on 26.6.2019 and the AD had agreed to consider the demand when additional accommodation would be available at WC 10 after completion of the renovation / repair work of the building. CCCGPA is grateful to the Additional Director CGHS for considering the request and for posting AYUSH Doctors at WC-10, C V Raman Nagar, Bengaluru.

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## COORDINATION COMMITTEE OF CENTRAL GOVERNMENT PENSIONERS' ASSOCIATIONS, KARNATAKA (R)

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K.B. Krishna Rao, Chairman

S. Radhakrishna General Secretary

No. CCCGPA/CGHS/2019

Respected Sir,

dated at Bengaluru

the 31st August, 2019

Shri Pralhad Joshi, Hon'ble Minister of Parliamentary Affairs, Coal and Mines, New Delhi

Opening of Allopathic Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) Dispensary/ Wellness Centre in Hubballi- Dharwad

Co-ordination Committee of Central Government Pensioners' Associations, Karnataka, on its own behalf and on behalf of its 29 affiliated Central Government Pensioners' Associations in Karnataka, extends its warm greetings to your kind self and heartily congratulates you on your resounding victory from Dhrawad Lok Sabha constituency in the parliamentary elections held in April / May 2019 and your appointment as a Cabinet Minister in Government of India to head the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs, Coal and Mines.

- 2. As your kind self is quite aware, in the state of Karnataka, at present, the capital city of Bengaluru only is covered by the Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) and the Central Government Employees and Pensioners residing in all other cities of the state including big cities of Hubballi-Dharwad have not been provided with any medical facilities.
- 3. While the serving employees are covered by the Central Services (Medical Attendance) Rules which provided for reimbursement of the expenditure incurred by them for inpatient medical treatment in a hospital, the pensioners have not been covered by the said rules and they have to meet the expenses both for their outpatient and inpatient medical treatments from their pension only. Though, pensioners can avail CGHS facilities from any dispensary

of their choice in the nearest CGHS covered city, pensioners residing in Hubballi-Dharwad cannot opt for CGHS because of the distance of more than 400 km between Hubballi and the CGHS City of Bengaluru. Therefore, at present, Central Govt Pensioners in these two cities are not covered by any health scheme administered by the Central Government.

- 4. In view of the fact that any health care facility is not made available to Central Employees and Pensioners in the twin cities stated above, there is an urgent need to consider opening of CGHS dispensaries in Hubballi-Dharwad.
- 5. Karnataka Posts and Telecommunications Pensioners' Association, Bengaluru (KP&TPA), an affiliate of the Co-ordination Committee and a former member of the Standing Committee of Voluntary Agencies (SCOVA), constituted by the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, Department of Pension & Pensions' Welfare on the recommendations of Parliamentary Consultative Committee, had taken up this issue and had notified a subject for inclusion in the Agenda items for discussions in the 30th meeting of SCOVA held on 23.3.2018 requesting for opening of CGHS Wellness Centres in Mysuru, Mangaluru and Hubballi-Dharwad. This item was again included in the issues proposed by KP&TPA for the 31st meeting of SCOVA scheduled to be held on 5.9.2019.
- 6. It is heartening to note that the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Directorate General of CGHS vide letter No.Z15025/49/2019/DIR//CGHS dated 8-8-2019 has called for information about the likely number of Central Government Employees and pensioners that would be the beneficiaries to consider the

request for opening of a CGHS Wellness Centre at Mysuru. CCCGPA, Karnataka in coordination with the Confederation of CG Employees &Workers, and Karnataka P&T Pensioners' Association, has furnished the inputs called for by the office of the Additional Director, CGHS, Bangalore. Inputs collected have revealed that there is justification for opening of 2 CGHS WCs in Mysuru to cater to the health care needs of about 16000 Central Employees and Pensioners & and their family members.

7. Particulars of Central Government Employees and pensioners residing in Hubballi, Dharwad, and in the nearby towns of Gadag and Haveri, collected by the Central Government Pensioners' Association Hubballi & Dharwad Unit, have revealed that about 1000 employees and 2000 pensioners would be covered by CGHS if a Wellness Centre is opened and about 8000 beneficiaries constituting the family members of the employees and pensioners - would be the beneficiaries. Since the pensioners are eligible for CGHS benefits irrespective of their place of residence, the number of pensioners residing in the cities/towns, which are very near to Hubballi- Dharwad Viz: Gadag City at a distance of 59 KM and Haveri at 76 KM have been included in the number of likely beneficiaries, as there is every possibility of the pensioners of those towns also opting for CGHS benefits.

8. Incidentally, we would like to bring to your kind notice that the Health Ministry is examining the proposals for opening of new CGHS WCs in Panchakula, Mohali, Gwalior, Kannur, Kozhikode, Nasik, Aurangabad, Ichapur, Ludhiana, Rohatak, Wadi, Mandi, Haldwani, Madurai, Coimbatore, Warangal, Katni, Chandaraapur and Leh. If these proposals materialise, then in Tamilnadu there will be 5 CGHS covered cities (3 existing + 2 proposed); in Kerala opening of 2 WCs in 2 towns is under examination in addition to 2 existing. In Telangana and Andhra Pradesh totally there will be 7 CGHS cities if the proposal

for opening a WC at Warangal is considered. But in the big state of Karnataka only one city ie.Bengaluru is covered by CGHS.

9. Respected Sir, We crave your kind indulgence in the matter and request you please to use your good offices with the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, which is now examining the proposal for opening of CGHS WCs in a number of cities across the country, to impress upon them the need of opening of Allopathic Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) Dispensary/Wellness Centre in Hubballi-Dharwad also.

CGHS being the best medical facility provided by the Central government to its employees and especially to the pensioners on a cash less basis, it would definitely go long way in helping many of the central pensioners residing in Hubballi, Dharwad, Gadag and Haveri cities to avail the medical facilities provided by CGHS.

Thanking you Sir,

yours faithfully K B Krishna Rao Chairman, CCCGPA, Karnataka

#### Note:

Memorandum submitted by CCCGPA to Shri Pralhad Joshi Hon'ble Minister Parliamentary Affairs, has been forwarded by the Minister to Shri Harshavardhan, Hon'ble Minister of Health and Family Welfare. The forwarding letter reads:

#### Quote:

Dear Shri Harshavardhanji,

I have enclosed a copy of the representation received from the Chairman, Coordination Committee of Central Government Pensioners Associations Karnataka, Bengaluru on the subject above.

The Association has stressed the need for opening of CGHS Wellness Centres at Hubballi-Dharwad which is genuine and justified.

I request you please to consider the request and take early needful action in opening the centres which is a long pending demand from the people of this region.

#### unquote:

The efforts of Shri Ramesh Joshi, Central Government Pensioners Association Hubballi - Dharwad Unit & Member Karnataka I T Dept Pensioners' Assn, Hubballi Unit in collecting the information regarding the number of Central Government Employees and Pensioners in Hubballi, Dharwad, Gadag and Haveri, which shows justification for opening of CGHS WCs in Hubballi and Dharwad and the interest shown by him in personally handing over the

memorandum to the Minister in Dharwad, are highly appreciated.

The initiative taken by Shri OM Bhaskaran, Secretary, KITDPA & Treasurer, CCCGPA in this regard by requesting Shri Ramesh Joshi to collect the required data and prompting the Chairman to prepare the memorandum, helped in timely submission of the memorandum to the Minister.

Thanks to Shri P.Gangadhara Rao General Secretary AIBSNLPWA & Vice Chairman, CCCGPA for furnishing details about the number of DoT and BSNL Pensioners residing in the above mentioned cities.

K.B.Krishna Rao, Chairman, CCCGPA

### BSNL )

### Revision of pension of BSNL Pensioners

All India BSNL Pensioners Welfare Association is vigorously pursuing the issue of revision of pension of BSNL pensioners w.e.f 1-1-2017 and has given several suggestions which would facilitate early resolution of the demand of BSNL retirees if the Authorities concerned closely examine the suggestions and find favour with them.

Com P.Gangadhara Rao, GS, AIBSNLPWA, Com D.Gopalakrishnan, Senior Vice President, Com Changappa, CS, Karnataka visited New Delhi and met Shri Pralahad Joshi, Minister of Parliament Affairs. and Shri Dhotre, Minister of State in the Ministry of Communications on 1-7-2019 and handed over a letter to the MoS(C) explaining the demand of BSNL Pensioners. On the Minister's advice, they met Shri Ravishankar Prasad, Hon'ble Minister of Communications on 2-7-2019 and explained the long pending demand of the pensioners. The MOC gave a patient hearing and heard the submissions made by the representatives very keenly and also sought some details. The leaders explained to the Hon'ble MoC stressing on the points that (1) revision of pension is being sought after 10 years form the last revision (2) There is no financial liability on BSNL if the demand for pension revision is accepted (3) Government bears 100 % financial liability of pension payments.

They also brought to the notice of MoC that (a) All staff unions in both BSNL & MTNL favour delinking of pay revision with pension revision(b) The anomaly that is likely to arise in respect of post 2017 retirees is not insurmountable and can be addressed with the suggestion on the method of pension revision given by the Association(c) the financial liability may be around Rs.650-700 crores and (d) the issue of delinking of pay revision with pension to facilitate pension revision w.e.f. 1-1-2017 suggested by the association is under examination by the DoT and DoP&PW.

After listening to all the details furnished by the leaders, Shri Rabvishankar Prasad, Hon' ble Minister of Communications said "I will take care of it".

Courtsey: AIBSNLWPA

CCA, Karnataka, Bangalore is holding Pension Adalat for Telecom and BSNL pensioners on 5.10.2019. Time and venue will be intimated directly to the applicants, who have submitted their representations for consideration in the Adalat.

### List of Private Hospitals empanelled under CGHS, Bengaluru

SI No.	Name of the Hospital	Address, Tel. No, Unique Mail ID	Name of Nodal Officer with Contact No.				
	General & Multi Speciality Hospitals						
1	Fortis Hospitals Limited Cunningham Road	No 14, Cunningham Road Bangalore-560052. 080-41994498/-41994649 cghsfortiscgroad@fortishealth care.com	Satish Kumar R.U 9886987557 Satish.ru@fortishealthcare.com Mahesh babu 9845403963 Mahesh.sn@fortishealthcare.com				
2	Imperial Hospitaland Research Centre (Apollo)	154/11, Opp. IIMB-B, Bannerghatta Road, Bangalore -560076. 080-26304034/35. cghs_bglr@apollohospitals.com	Krishna Reddy - 9483600956, krishnareddy_k@apollohospitals.com Manjunatha. E - 9902292741, manjunatha_e@apollohospitals.com				
3	KIMS Hospital &Research Centre	K.R. Road, V.V. Puram, Bengaluru- 560004. 080-26624870 cghskimshospitalbangalore@gmail.com	Nijalingappa- 9535179666, kimshospitalbangalore@gmail.com Thara K 8150040013 kimshospitalbangalore@gmail.com				
4	Mallya Hospital	No 2 Vittal Mallya Road Bangalore 560001. 080 22277979	S.Namdev Rao 9880281773 Jagadish B 9483045025				
5	Narayana Hrudayalaya	No. 258/A, Bommasandra Industrial Area, Hosur Road, Bangalore -560099 080-71222222	Saleem Jalaluddin - 8884416553 - jalaluddin@narayanahealth.org Kishore.A - 9916678307 - kishore.a@narayanahealth.org				
6	Sagar Hospitals Banshankari – DSI	Shavige Malleshwara hills Kumaraswamy Layout Banashankari, Bangalore 560078. 080-4299 9999 cghs.bsk@sagarhospitals.in	Vikram - 9591991812, billinmanger.bsk@sagarhospitals.in Dr. Naganand.K.A - 9591991897, amabsk@sagarhospitals.in				
7	Sagar Hospitals Jayanagar	44/54 30th cross, Thilak Nagar, Jayanagar Bangalore-560041 080-26536700-08 Fax-6536714 cghs.jnr@sagarhospitals.in	Prashanth Kumar B R 9591991849 Corp.jnr@sagarhospitals.in Satyanarayana 9591991882 billingmgr@sagarhospitals.in				
8	Sri Shankara Cancer Hospital & Research Centre	1st Cross, Shankarapuram, Basvangudi, Bengaluru-560004. 080-26981065 cghs@sschrc.org	Raghavendra - 9535074408, raghuu74408@gmail.com Anil Kumar.V.R - 9844611171, anilkumarvr143@gmail.com				
9	Vydehi Institute of Medical Science & Research Centre	#82, EPIP Area, Whitefield, Bangalore 560066. 080-28413381/82/83.	Nazia Anjum 8861107644 Mhc_nazia2799@vimsmail.com Vasudeva Reddy 8884998362				

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	General & Multi Speciality Hospitals						
10	Health Care Global Enterprises Ltd.	No.8, HCG Towers, P. Kalinga Rao Road, Sampangiram Nagar, Bangalore-560027 080-40206000/65 / 9341307646 Fax No: 080-2248 5962 hcg.cghs@hcgoncology.com	Pavan Kumar - 7019246199 insurancehelpdesk.hcgkr@gmail.com Swetha - 7406688990 - hcgcreditdispatch@hcgoncology.com				
11	P D Hinduja Sindhi Hospital	No 12th A cross sindhi Hospital Road Sampangiramnagar. Bangalore 560027. PH: 080- 49030303/49060605 cghs@hindujasindhihospital.com	Jyothi K.M -8884458691, jyothikm@hindujasindhihospital.com Anitha Bai.S.P - 8884458690 - billing@hindujasindhihospital.com				
12	MS Ramaiah Memorial Hospital	MSRIT Post, MSR Nagar Bengaluru-560054 Ph: 080-23608888/23609999 cghs@msrmh.com	Ashwin Kumar - 9945245727 - aswinsg@msrmh.com Elizabeth Chacko-8217023559 - elizabeth@msrmh.com				
13	Sparsh Hospital A unit of Shiva & Shiva Orthopaedic Hospital Pvt. Ltd	29/P2, Health City, Bommasandra Industrial Area, Hosur Main Road, Bengaluru-560099. Ph: 080-33271000/99 carecghsbeneficiaries@sparshhospital.com	Riju Thomas - 9945242274 - riju.uc@gmail.com Harindu Sundrar Nandi - 8884437092 - harindusundrarnandi@gmail.com				
14	Fortis Hospitals Limited	No. 154/9, Bannerghatta Road Opposite IIM Bangalore Bengaluru- 560076 Ph: 080-66214444 Fax:080-66214242 cghs.bg@fortishealthcare.com	Ravi Kumar - 9980411377, ravi.g@fortishealthcare.com Ramesh Gattu - 9900963388, ramesh.gattu@fortishealthcare.com				
15	Sakra World Hospital	Sy No. 52/2 & 52/3, Deverabeesanahalli, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore - 560103 (opposite Intel, Outer Ring Road Marathahalli) Ph. 080-49694969 cghs@ sakraworldhospital.com	Sunil Kumar Pradhan - 9886583851 - sunikumarpradhan@sakraworldhospital.com Dr. Theanmozhi Yatish - 9945278736- theanmozhiyatish@sakraworldhospital.com				
16	Hosmat Hospital	45, Magrath Road, Bengaluru 580025 Contact No: 080-25593796	Vijayalakshmi.V - 9483888747, billing@hospitals.com Amar Kalyani - 9844470489, amarklyn@yahoo.com				
17	Apollo Hospitals (A Unit of Apollo Hospitals Enterprise Ltd) Sheshadripuram	No. 1, Old No.28, Platform Road, Near Mantri Mall, Sheshadripuram, Bangalore-560020. cghs_ssp@apollohospitals.com	Dr.Nisha - 7506122811 Lokesh - 9916015111 Pradeep - 9060606081				
18	Apollo Speciality Hospitals Jayanagar	#2, Old No. 21/2, 14th Cross, 3rd Block, Near Madhavan Park, Jayanagar Bangalore - 560011 cghs_jayanagar@apollohospitals.com	Dr. Umesh — 9845989987 — drumesh_n@apollohospitals.com Dr. Prakash- 9620215465 — drprakash_k@apollohospitals.com				

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	G	eneral & Multi Speciality H	ospitals
19	Narayana Multi Speciality Hospitals – Whitefield	Plot No. 3&4, Sadaramanagla Industrial Area, Whitefield Main Road, Mahadevapura Post, Bengaluru-560048 cghsnhwf@narayanahealth.org	Melvin – 9538076688- Melvin.kumar@narayana health.org Brijesh Babu.R – 9538659564 – brijesh.babu@narayanahealth.org
20	Narayana Multi Speciality Hospital – HSR Layout	Site No 1, 18th Main, Opp HSR Layout, Bengaluru – 560102 Cghs.hsr@narayanahealth.org	Lokesh Gopal Chavan – 9730023304 – lokeshgopal.chavan@narayanahealth.org Abhishek – 8217689587 – abhishek01@narayanahealth.org
21	SSNMC Super Speciality Hospital- Rajajrajeshwarinagar	No.8,Ideal Homes, HBCS layout, Rajarajeshwarinagar, Bengaluru-560098 cghs@ssnmc.com	Dr. Sharath Gowda , 9513466026 , sharath.gowda@ssnmc.com Dr. Smitha 9513466068 , smitha.thammaiah@ssnmc.com
22	Aster CMI Hospital  – Hebbal	#43/2, New Airport Road, NH7, Sahakarnagar, Hebbal, Bengaluru 560092 cghsblr.cmi@asterhospital.com	Santosh 09108051308, santosh@asterhospital.com Chetan S 9886080180, chetan.s@asterhospital.com

Note: List of Eye Care Centres, Diagnostic centres and Dental Clinics will be published in the next / subsequent issue

**CGHS** 

Gol, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Department of Health and Family Welfare, OM No. Z 15025/36/2019/DIR/CGHS (P) DATED 19th August, 2019

# Annual Health Check-up at Hospitals empanelled under CGHS in respect of CGHS Pensioner Beneficiaries (Primary Card Holders) aged 75 and above

With reference to the above mentioned subject, the undersigned is directed to state that the matter relating to Annual Health Checkup at Private Hospitals empanelled under CGHS in respect of elderly CGHS Beneficiaries was under consideration of the Ministry and it has now been decided that hereinafter, CGHS Pensioner Beneficiaries (Primary Card Holders) aged 75 and above shall be permitted to undergo 'Annual Health Check-up' at CGHS empanelled hospitals.

Permission in respect of CGHS Pensioner Beneficiaries (Primary Card Holders) aged 75 and above shall be granted by CMO in charge of CGHS Wellness Centre.

The Private Hospitals empanelled under CGHS shall perform the Annual Health Check-up at CGHS rates and extend cashless facility for the same in respect of CGHS Pensioner Beneficiaries (Primary Card Holders) aged 75 and above.

Rajeev Attri, Under Secretary to Govt of India

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SEPTEMBER 2019

Donation to Karnataka Chief Minister's Distress Relief Fund

SI.	Membership No.	Name	Amount	Receipt No.
No.	LM/ALM			
1	35	N.Bhaskaran	5000	4217
2	928	B.Basavaiah	5000	4222
3	1083	H.V.Ramanatha	22222	4224
4	1621	B.A.Shetty	500	4243
5	619	C.Subba Rao	1000	4244
6	Well Wisher	K.Malathi Bai Krishna Rao	11000	4229&4268
7	48	S.M.Vittala Rao	5000	4230
8	1313	H.Suresh Mallya	2000	4231
9	838	B.L.Channappa	1000	4232
10	1970	V.Murugan	1000	4234
11	2157	V.Gopal	10000	4235
12	2397	N.R.Anantha	2000	4236
13	1174	N.Ramaiah	2000	4237
14	1683	C.Ramakrishna Reddy	1000	4238
15	2564	B.Nagaraju	1000	4239
16	920	A.Kanagamani	2000	4240
17	2289	Range Gowda	3000	4241
18	1156	G.Babu	2000	4242
19	S-256	S.Radhakrishna	200	4249
20	2600	J.L.N.Sharma	5000	4250
21	2784	Mrinal Kanti Palit	1000	4258
22	2785	Bithi Palit	1000	4259
23	808	Bhaskara Bhatt	5000	4263
24	1510	S.L.Nagarajan	1000	4265
25	2062	K.R.Anantha Ramu	5000	4269
			94922	

### **OBITUARY**

**Sri A N Srinivasa Murthy,** LM-818 Retd. D G M, Bangalore Telephones, one of the senior members of KP&TPA, who had served on the CGHS Advisory Committee of WC- 6, expired on 17-5-2019 at the age of 80 years. The Executive Committee conveys its heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family

**Sri N.Lakshmana**, LM-70 Retd Head Record Officer, RMS'Q'Dn, Bangalore, one of the founder members of KP&TPA expired on 12-9-2019 at the age of 83 years. He is survived by his wife, a son and three daughters. The Executive Committee conveys its heartfelt condolences to the bereaved families.

### Subscription received for Pensioners' Champion in AUGUST-SEPTEMBER 2019

Rs.1	150/- Smt./Sri	Rs.200/- Smt./Sri	Rs.250/- Smt./Sri	Rs.450/- Smt./Sri
611	B.Anantha Ramu	2592 C.K.Natarajan	654 S.D.Shahane	1384 Nagarathnamma
824	Sharma.A.R.S	S-5 H.V.Dasan	Rs.300/- Smt./Sri	1761 B.Masthan
1794	V.Sathyanarayanachar	S-104 J.L.Lekhi	461 C.S.Satyamurthy	2604 P.Madhava Murthy
1831	T.R.Sundararaja Iyengar	S-105 O.P.Dhamija	658 M.Narayana Rao	Rs.500/- Smt./Sri
1909	G.Megharajan	S-158 D.Mohan	781 V.S.Balasubramanian	313 A.O.Srinivasaiah
2202	P.Sundara Murthy	S-238 R.N.Naragund	808 Bhaskara Bhatt	787 Mir Jamaluddin T
2215	K.H.Hosmani	S-342 R.C.Munjal	2430 S.Devapala	1471 K.R.Sreekanta
2315	I.V.Patil	S-345 K.R.Ranga Swamy	2678 R.Nagendra	Rs.750/- Smt./Sri
2558	B.S.Satyanarayana	Rs.240/- Smt./Sri	Rs.400/- Smt./Sri	2313 S.P.Gayathri
2561	G.Venkatasubbaiah	685 H.Rukmini	S-256 S.Radhakrishna	Rs.1000/- Smt./Sri
2650	M.N.Srikantaiah			2083 K.Chellamma

Correction in July 2019 : Delete : 2610 O.M. Chokkalingam Rs. 150 Add : S-344 S. Pandy Rs. 150

	We Welcome the Following Newly Enrolled Members					
	Name (Smt./Sri) Designation & Office in which last worked			Type & No.		
1	K.B.Venugopal	Sorting Assistant, MACP 3, BG City RMS, Bangalore	LM	2868		
2	D.Basavaraja	Sr.Supdt. of Post Offices, B'lore West Division, Bangalore	LM	2869		
3	N.G. Basanakatti	Superintendent of POs, Chitradurga Division	LM	2870		
4	Rajaram.R.Bhat	Asstt.Director(STA), NK Region, Dharwad	LM	2871		
5	S.D.Ramachandra Murthy	MTS, Head Record Office, BG City RMS, Bangalore	LM	2872		
6	G.Thyagarajan	LSG Supervisor, AHRO, BG City RMS, Bangalore	LM	2873		
7	S.Satyarthi	Superintendent of POs, Gadag Division	LM	2874		
8	Narayan.P.Naik	LSG Supervisor, RMS Q Division, Bangalore	LM	2875		
9	Dhirendra Bhimarao Kulkarni	Superintendent of POs, Bijapur Division	LM	2876		
10	Balappa Vaman Kurlekar	Sr.Supdt. of Post Offices, Puttur Division, Puttur	LM	2877		
11	M.Shivaraj	Sr.Superintendent of POs, Kalaburagi Division	LM	2878		
12	K.S.Vijayakumar	Sub Postmaster, Mulbagal SO	LM	2879		
13	A.Radha Bai	Family pensioner	LM	2880		
14	Gunamani	TTA, BSNL, Bangalore Telecom District,	LM	2881		
15	Shakunthala	Sub Record Officer, HSG I, RMS Q Division, Mangalore	LM	2882		
16	B.Ramachandra	BCR Sorting Assistant, RMS Q Division, Mangalore	LM	2883		
17	Shivananda.S.Patil	Sr.Superintendent of POs, Kalaburagi Division	LM	2884		
18	Onkara Murthy	Chief Accts. Officer, O/o GM BSNL, Davanagere	LM	2885		
19	V.R.Harihar	Superintendent of POs, Chikkodi Division	LM	2886		

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	Nama	Mambarabin	A a	Danaint	Dramaaaiya
SI	Name	Membership	Amount	Receipt	Progressive
No.	Sri/Smt.	No.	Rs.	No.	Total of donation
1331	H.V.Ramanatha	1083	22222	4223	55555
1332	B.L.Channappa	838	15000	4232	66159
1333	V.Gopal	2157	10000	4235	85000
1334	B.Ramachandraiah	2593	10000	4253	
1335	A.O.Srinivasaiah	313	5000	4254	10000
1336	G.Shanmugha Vadivelu	599	5000	4264	15100
1337	S.D.Shahane	654	5000	4214	15000
1338	Jayashankara Rao	1271	5000	4248	15100
1339	M.Janardanan	1429	5000	4261	
1340	G.H.Gururaja	2329	5000	4255	15000
1341	Suvarna Dinesh Kulkarni	2668	5000	4219	6000
1342	B.V.Subba Rao	982	4000	4262	6000
1343	B.A.Shetty	1621	2000	4245	15701
1344	M.V.Damodara Acharya	1299	1500	4246	

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Month	CPI Base 2001=100	12 Months' Total	,	% increase over 261.42	% increase over 115.76		
				7th CPC	6th CPC		
July 18	301	3462	288.5	10.35	149.22		
Dec 18	301	3538	294.83	12.78	154.69		
July 19	319	3691	307.58	17.66	165.70		

BSNL IDA From 1-7-2019 : 146.70% (5.3% increase over April 2019 rate of 141.4%)

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