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"A two - decade old demand conceded. MoH & FW issues Order extending CGHS facility to P&T Pensioners not participating in CGHS before retirement"

The Back ground

Way back in the year 1996 the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, in an order dated 1-8-1996 addressed to the Director, CGHS, New Delhi with copies to all Additional Directors, CGHS stated that *"Pensioners of P&T Department not participating in CGHS while in service are not entitled to CGHS facility. Post and Telegraph Pensioners who were members of CGHS Scheme prior to retirement may be allowed to transfer their CGHS Cards from one CGHS covered City to another CGHS covered City. However, the Post and Telegraph Pensioners who were not participating in CGHS while in service may not be extended this facility."*

2. Thus P&T Pensioners who were not CGHS beneficiaries while they were in service were

denied CGHS facility while all other Central Govt. Pensioners were covered under the Scheme.

3. Some of the aggrieved pensioners with the help extended to them by Karnataka P&T Pensioners' Association under the leadership and advice of the then President Sri B.Sadashiva Rao & Secretary Sri.N.Bhaskaran sought legal remedies by approaching CAT, Bangalore which allowed their applications. In its Judgement delivered on 20-11- 2001 in OA No. 304/2001, CAT Bangalore held the MoH OM dated 1-8- 1996 as *"discriminatory, arbitrary, unjust, and against the principles of law and violative of Article 14 & 16 of the Constitution"*. Writ petition filed by the Govt. before High Court of Karnataka was dismissed. Supreme Court refused to grant

K P&T PA extends "Independence Day" greeting to all Members, Wellwishers and Subscribers.

stay on the Orders of the High Court. Consequently, even though CGHS facility was extended to P&T Pensioners, only temporary cards were being issued to them necessitating their periodical renewals.

4. Legal proceedings in this matter attained finality with the dismissal of all the Special Leave Petitions (SLPs) by the Hon'ble Supreme Court on 22-8-2014. Since no action was initiated by MoH&FW in extending CGHS to P&T Pensioners, KP&TPA submitted a memorandum to the Hon'ble Minister of Health and Family Welfare on 22-8-2015 seeking his intervention in the matter (*Pensioners Champion*-Aug 2015 issue). The Association, a member of the Standing Committee of Voluntary Agencies (SCOVA) sought for inclusion of this issue in the agenda items for discussion in the 27th meeting of SCOVA held on 13-10-2015. The notified item was "*Withdrawal of Ministry of Health & FW OM No. S-11011/46/95- CGHS-D11/CGHS (P) dated 1-8- 1996 which barred P&T Pensioners from availing CGHS Facility*". (*Pensioners' Champion*- Sept 2015 issue).

5. In its efforts in the direction of ensuring extension of CGHS facility to P&T Pensioners, the Association, in coordination with CCCGPA, Karnataka and Federations of Pensioners Associations, could ensure inclusion of the demand in the Memorandum submitted to the 7th Central Pay Commission. The Pay Commission, in para 9.5.18 of its report stated that

"The Commission recommends that the remaining 33 postal dispensaries should be merged with CGHS. The Commission further recommends that all postal pensioners, irrespective of their participation in CGHS while in service, should be covered under CGHS after making requisite subscription".

6. Contribution of another P&T Pensioners' Association in the country in this issue is worth being kept on record. Shri Satya Prakash

Gupta, Secretary, P&T Pensioners' Association, Rajasthan, Jaipur & former Vice President, Central Govt. Pensioners' Assn, Jaipur, pursued the matter with all the Authorities concerned for almost 2 decades, personally met scores of officers, Members of Parliament, submitted memoranda to the Govt, caused filing of application before CAT, Jaipur and kept on sending emails to MoH, CGHS, DoPosts & DoT at frequent intervals reminding the Authorities in the matter. And the latest, in June 2017, he met the Additional Secretary, MoH&FW to impress upon him the need for immediately extending CGHS facility to P&T Pensioners by revoking the OM dated 1-8-1996 which had barred P&T Pensioners from becoming CGHS beneficiaries.

7. KP&TPA is extremely glad that due to the combined efforts of all stakeholders, a demand which was eluding a solution for 21 years has finally been resolved with the Govt revoking OM dated 1-8-1996.

MoH&FW OM dated 19th July 2017 extending CGHS benefits to P&T Pensioners is reproduced below.

(Govt of India, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Department of Health & Family Welfare O.M. No.CGHS(P)/EHS dated 19th July, 2017)

Extension of CGHS facilities to the pensioners of Post and Telegraph Department

With reference to the above mentioned subject the undersigned is directed to draw attention to the Office Memorandum No.S-11011/46/95-CGHS D-II/CGHS/CGHS(P) dated 1st August 1996 and to state that it has now been decided to revoke the OM dated 1.8.1996 in compliance of the Orders of Hon'ble Central Administrative Tribunal, Ernakulam dated 12th July 2005 in OA No.563/2004 and 590/2004 and Order dated 01.06.2017 in CP/180/21/2017 arising out of OA No.180/563/2004 between Central Government Pensioners Association, (Kerala) and Ors Vs UOI & Others.

2. The retired employees of Post and Telegraph Department shall hereafter, be entitled to the CGHS facility, irrespective of whether they were members of CGHS prior to retirement or not, subject to the payment of prevalent subscription for availing themselves of this facility as per rules as in the case of other Central Government Pensioners

3. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority

Sd/-

Sunil Kumar Gupta

Under Secretary to the Govt of India

Editors Note : information on CGHS facilities available to a pensioner residing in a non CGHS area

- a) Pensioners residing in non- CGHS covered areas have the option to become CGHS beneficiary and avail CGHS facilities from the nearest CGHS covered city.
- b) They have also the option to avail Fixed

Medical Allowance of Rs.1000/- per month and opt not to avail CGHS facility.

- c) They have also the option to avail Fixed Medical Allowance of Rs.1000/- per month for out-patient (OPD) treatment and obtain CGHS card from nearest CGHS covered city for inpatient facilities under CGHS. No OPD medicines shall be issued from Wellness Centres in such cases.
- d) CGHS pensioner beneficiaries (and their dependant and eligible family members) who are holding a valid CGHS Card and residing in a non-CGHS area, shall be eligible to obtain inpatient medical treatment and also follow up treatment from Govt. Hospitals / CS (MA) /ECHS approved hospitals on proper referral from CGHS Wellness Centre and submit the medical reimbursement claim to the Additional Director/ Joint Director of CGHS of city where the CGHS card is registered. In case of medical emergency, treatment may be obtained from any hospital and medical claim shall be submitted to Additional Director, CGHS of the concerned city.

Revised CGHS Contribution as per 7th CPC effective from 01.02.2017

(A) Monthly Contributions for availing CGHS facility:

Sl No.	Corresponding levels in the Pay Matrix as per 7th CPC	Contribution (Rs. Per month)
1	Level: 1 to 5	250
2	Level: 6	450
3	Level: 7 to 11	650
4	Level 12 & above	1000

(B) Entitlement of wards in Private hospitals empanelled under CGHS:

Sl No.	Corresponding Basic Pay drawn by the officer in 7th CPC (per month)	Ward entitlement
1	Up to Rs. 47,600	General
2	Rs. 47,601/- to Rs. 63,100/-	Semi-Private

Construction of an Annexe to Pensioners' Bhavan, Association's Building in Telecom Lay out, Bengaluru

An APPEAL

FOR DONATION TO THE BUILDING FUND OF THE ASSOCIATION

The Executive Committee of K P&T PA thanks all Members, Subscribers, Pensioners' Associations and Well Wishers who have so far remitted their donation to the building fund of the Association.



Foundation stone for the proposed Annexe was unveiled in the Annual General Body Meeting on 17th June 2017. Construction of the building will commence shortly. KP&TPA earnestly requests other Members and Subscribers, **who are yet to respond** to donate liberally to the building fund. 11th List of donors is published in this issue.

Donation can be made in instalments also. Progressive total of donations made in instalments will be indicated in the list published in the Association's Journal *Pensioners' Champion*, as and when donations are received

Names of those who donate Rs.25,000/- and above, will be engraved on granite stone to be embedded in the front wall of the new building and of those who donate Rs. 10,000/- and above but less than Rs.25,000/-, will be printed on the boards to be provided in the main hall.

Our special appeal to Pensioners who got substantial amount of arrears consequent to delinking of 33 years of service for full pension with retrospective effect from 1-1- 2006 and BSNL Pensioners whose pension was revised after of merger of 78.2% of IDA : **Please donate liberally**

Income Tax exemption: In computation of the taxable income, 50% of the amount of donation made to K P&TPA, is eligible for deduction in the Gross total Income of an Individual under Section 80-G of Income Tax ACT. Donation to be remitted by **crossed cheque** payable to **"Karnataka P&T Pensioners' Association"**.

Cheques may please be sent to:
K.R.Anantha Ramu, Treasurer K P&T PA,
No 1158, 7th Main, 7th Block, HMT Layout, Vidyanarayapura,
Bangalore-560097.(Ph: 080 23642466 Mob: 9448477129)

All most all pre-2016 pensioners will get arrears of pension consequent to revision of their pension in terms of DoP&PW OM dated 12-5-2017. We appeal for liberal donations from those who have not yet remitted their contribution. Other members may please consider paying additional amounts to facilitate construction of a meeting hall in the 2nd floor of the Annexe.

Members who have donated above Rs 5,000 but less than 10,000 and those who have donated above Rs.10,000 but less than 25,000 may please consider raising their donation to Rs.10,000 & Rs.25,000 respectively, so that their names may be included in the boards.

7th CPC**Revision of pension of DoT retirees in terms of DoP&PW
OM dated 12-5-2017**

Department of Telecommunications endorses OM dated 12th May 2017 of the Department of Pension & PW on revision of pension of pre-2016 pensioners and the instructions issued by the Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance vide OM dated 23-5-2017 on procedural actions for revision of pension and CPAO instructions in the matter.

OMs are reproduced below

1) GoI, Ministry of Communications, Department of Telecommunications, (Pension Section) O M No. 36-02/2016-Pen(T) dated 19th May 2017

Implementation of Governments decision on the recommendations of the 7th Central Pay Commission – revision of pension of Pre-2016 pensioners/family pensioners etc.

The undersigned is directed to circulate DoP&PW OM No. 38/37/2016 P&PW(A) dated 12th May 2017 on the above mentioned subject for implementation and necessary action.

K S Dahiya
Under Secretary to the Govt of India

2) GoI, Ministry of Communications, Department of Telecommunications, (Pension Section) O M No. 36-02/2016-Pen(T) dated 7th June, 2017

Implementation of Governments decision on the recommendations of the 7th Central Pay Commission – revision of pension of Pre-2016 pensioners/family pensioners etc.

The undersigned is directed to circulate OM NO.1 (13)/EV/2017 dated 23rd May, 2017 from the Ministry of Finance (Department of Expenditure) and OM No. CPAO/IT & Technical/revision (7th CPC) / 19-Vol III 2016-17 / 37 dated 25th May, 2017 from Central Pension Accounting Office (Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure) for implementation and necessary action on the matter

K.S. Dahiya
Under Secretary to the Govt of India

ALL INDIA CONSUMER PRICE INDEX					
Month	CPI Base 2001=100	12 Months' Total	Monthly Ave.	% increase over 261.42	% increase over 115.76
				7th CPC	6th CPC
Dec 16	275	3292	274.33	4.94	136.98
May 17	278	3320	276.66	5.83	139.00

An Appeal to BSNL Pensioners

K P&T PA appeals to pre-June 2013 BSNL Pensioners who have been paid arrears of pension from 10-6-2013 due to merger of 78.2% of IDA with their Pay/Pension to liberally donate to the building fund of the Association.

Expected DA/DR wef 1-7-2017 = 5%

Central Government Holidays in August 2017.

Independence Day - 15th August, Tuesday

Ganesh Chaturthi - 26th August, Friday

**7th
CPC**

**Dept. of posts fixes a time frame for revision of pension
of pre-2016 postal pensioners**

*Gol, Ministry of Communications Department of Posts (Pension Section)
Letter No. 4-3/2017-pension dated 10th July, 2017.*

**Implementation of Government's decision on the recommendations of the Seventh
Central Pay Commission - Revision of pension of pre- 2016
pensioners/family pensioners etc-reg.**

To
All Head(s) of Circles
All General Manager (Finance) / Director of Accounts (Postal)

Kindly refer to this office letter of even number dated 23.5.2017 circulating DoP&PW O.M. No. 38/37/2016-P&PW(A) dated 6.7.2017 regarding implementation of Government decision for revision of pension of pre-2016 pensioners/family pensioners.

2. Department of Pension & Pensioners Welfare has circulated O.M. No. 38/37/2016-P&PW (A) dated 6.7.2017 concordance tables for fixation of notional pay and pension/family pension of employees who retired/died in various grades during the 4th, 5th and 6th Pay Commission periods. A copy of the O.M. is forwarded herewith for information and compliance. The concordance table is available on the website of Department of Pension & PW at <http://www.doppw.gov.in> and appropriate table may be utilized in terms of instructions of DoP&PW O.M. dated 6.7.2017. In the case of those employees who retired/died before 1.1.1986, these concordance tables may be used based on their notional pay as on 1.1.1986, which was fixed in accordance with DoP&PW's O.M. No. 45/86/97-P&PW(D) (iii) dated 10.2.1998.

3. Separate tables have been given in respect of pre-1.1.2016 pensioners who retired in the Group D pay scales corresponding to 6th CPC grade pay of Rs. 1300/-, Rs 1400/-, Rs. 1600 and Rs. 1650/- (Table No. 1 to Table No. 4) and for pensioners who retired during 6th CPC period after upgradation to the Grade Pay of Rs. 1800/- (Table No. 5 to Table No. 8). The pension/family pension of such pensioners/family pensioners may be revised using the appropriate table.

4. In case of any inconsistency in the concordance tables vis-a-vis the relevant rules/instructions, the notional pay and pension/family pension of pre-2016 pensioners/family pensioners may be fixed in accordance with the rules/instructions applicable for fixation of pay in the intervening Pay Commission periods.

5. It is requested that all concerned subordinate authorities may be instructed accordingly. Vigorous efforts may be made to complete all revision cases by 30.9.2017. The nodal officer in each circle/DAP may please send the progress report on fortnightly basis in time.

Correction - June 2017 - Donation to Building Fund - 10th list			
Sl No.	Name	Membership No.	Progressive Total
509	K.G.Bhuvanendra	1561	20001
511	S.Jayaram	986	12000
542	U.Manohar Shenoy	1278	4000
557	Correct MN Hegde as NM Hegde	1447	2000

BSNL IDA

From 1-7-2017 119 % Increase : 1.9 % over April 2017 rate of 117.1 %

PENSIONERS' CHAMPION

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JULY 2017

Notional Pay Fixation under 7th CPC for revision of pension from 1-1-2016

In R/o Pre -2006 Group- D retirees

Pay Scales : S-1 (6th CPC : 1-S)

4th CPC Rs. 750-12-870- 14-940 (Retirements: 1986-1995)

5th CPC: Rs. 2,550-55-2,660-60-3,200 (Retirements: 1996-2005)

6th CPC - I-S : Rs.4,440-7440 + grade pay Rs 1,300 (Retirements: 2006-2015)

7th CPC Level-1

4 th & 5 th CPC Retirees				6 th CPC retirees	
Pay drawn in the retiring pay scale and the notional pay under subsequent pay commissions				Pay drawn in 6 th CPC pay bands (Pay in PB + Grade pay) and notional pay in 7 th CPC as per pay matrix	
4 th CPC	5 th CPC	6 th CPC	7 th CPC	Pay drawn in 6 th CPC	Notional pay 7 th CPC
1986 -1995	1996-2005	2006-2015	2016	2006-2015	
1	2	3	4	5	6
750	2550	6050	18000	7000	18000
762	2550	6050	18000	7010-7190	18500
774	2550	6050	18000	7200-7430	19100
786	2605	6150	18000	7430-7660	19700
798	2605	6150	18000	7670-7890	20300
810	2605	6150	18000	7900-8130	20900
822	2660	6250	18000	8140-8360	21500
834	2660	6250	18000	8370-8590	22100
846	2660	6250	18000	8600-8870	22800
858	2720	6360	18000	8880-9140	23500
870	2720	6360	18000	9150-9410	24200
884	2780	6480	18000	9420-9680	24900
898	2840	6590	18000	9690-9960	25600
912	2840	6590	18000	9970-10270	26400
926	2900	6700	18000	10280-10580	27200
940	2960	6810	18000	10590-10890	28000
	2960	6810	18000	10900-11200	28800
	3020	6920	18000	11210-11550	29700
	3080	7030	18500	11560-11900	30600
	3140	7140	18500	11910-12250	31500
	3200	7260	19100	12510-12600	32400
				12610-12990	33400
				12300-13380	34400
				12390-13770	35400
				13780-14200	36500
				14210-14630	37600
				14640-15050	38700

Notional Pay Fixation under 7th CPC for revision of pension from 1-1-2016

In R/o Pre -2006 Group- D retirees

Pay Scales : S-2 (6th CPC : 1-S)

4th CPC Rs. 775-12-871- 14-1025 (Retirements :1986-1995)

5th CPC: Rs. 2,610-60-3150-65-3,540 (Retirements: 1996-2005)

6th CPC - I-S : Rs.4,440-7440 + grade pay Rs 1,400 (Retirements : 2006-2015)

7th CPC Level-1

4 th & 5 th CPC Retirees				6 th CPC retirees	
Pay drawn in the retiring pay scale and the notional pay under subsequent pay commissions				Pay drawn in 6 th CPC pay bands (Pay in PB + Grade pay) and notional pay in 7 th CPC as per pay matrix	
4 th CPC	5 th CPC	6 th CPC	7 th CPC	Pay drawn in 6 th CPC	Notional pay - 7 th CPC
1986 -1995	1996-2005	2006-2015	2016	2006-2015	
1	2	3	4	5	6
775	2610	6260	18000	7000	18000
787	2610	6260	18000	7010-7190	18500
799	2610	6260	18000	7200-7430	19100
811	2670	6370	18000	7430-7660	19700
823	2670	6370	18000	7670-7890	20300
835	2670	6370	18000	7900-8130	20900
847	2730	6480	18000	8140-8360	21500
859	2730	6480	18000	8370-8590	22100
871	2730	6480	18000	8600-8870	22800
885	2790	6590	18000	8880-9140	23500
899	2850	6710	18000	9150-9410	24200
913	2850	6710	18000	9420-9680	24900
927	2910	6820	18000	9690-9960	25600
941	2970	6930	18000	9970-10270	26400
955	2970	6930	18000	10280-10580	27200
969	3030	7040	18500	10590-10890	28000
983	3090	7150	18500	10900-11200	28800
997	3090	7150	18500	11210-11550	29700
1011	3150	7260	19100	11560-11900	30600
1025	3215	7380	19100	11910-12250	31500
	3280	7510	19700	12510-12600	32400
	3345	7630	19700	12610-12990	33400
	3410	7750	20300	12300-13380	34400
	3475	7870	20300	12390-13770	35400
	3540	7990	20900	13780-14200	36500
				14210-14630	37600
				14640-15050	38700

Notional Pay Fixation under 7th CPC for revision of pension from 1-1-2016

In R/o Pre -2006 Group- D retirees

Pay Scales: S-2 A (6th CPC -1-S)

4th CPC : Rs.775-12-871-14-955-15-1030-20-1150 (Retirements : 1986 - 1995)

5th CPC: Rs. 2610-60-2910-65-3300-70-4000 (Retirements : 1996 - 2005)

6th CPC : 1-S Rs. 4440-7440 + Grade pay 1600 (Retirements: 2006-2015)

7th CPC : Level-1

4 th & 5 th CPC Retirees				6 th CPC retirees	
Pay drawn in the retiring pay scale and the notional pay under subsequent pay commissions				Pay drawn in 6 th CPC pay bands (Pay in PB + Grade pay) and notional pay in 7 th CPC as per pay matrix	
4 th CPC	5 th CPC	6 th CPC	7 th CPC	Pay drawn in 6 th CPC	Notional pay - 7 th CPC
1986 -1995	1996-2005	2006-2015	2016	2006-2015	
1	2	3	4	5	6
775	2610	6460	18000	7000	18000
787	2610	6460	18000	7010-7190	18500
799	2610	6460	18000	7200-7430	19100
811	2670	6570	18000	7430-7660	19700
823	2670	6570	18000	7670-7890	20300
835	2670	6570	18000	7900-8130	20900
847	2730	6680	18000	8140-8360	21500
859	2730	6680	18000	8370-8590	22100
871	2730	6680	18000	8600-8870	22800
885	2790	6790	18000	8880-9140	23500
899	2850	6910	18000	9150-9410	24200
913	2850	6910	18000	9420-9680	24900
927	2910	7020	18500	9690-9960	25600
941	2975	7140	18500	9970-10270	26400
955	2975	7140	18500	10280-10580	27200
970	3040	7260	19100	10590-10890	28000
985	3040	7260	19100	10900-11200	28800
1000	3105	7380	19100	11210-11550	29700
1015	3170	7500	19700	11560-11900	30600
1030	3170	7500	19700	11910-12250	31500
1050	3235	7620	19700	12510-12600	32400
1070	3300	7740	20300	12610-12990	33400
1090	3370	7870	20300	12300-13380	34400
1110	3440	8000	20900	12390-13770	35400
1130	3510	8130	20900	13780-14200	36500
1150	3580	8260	21500	14210-14630	37600
	3650	8390	22100	14640-15050	38700
	3720	8520	22100		
	3790	8650	22800		
	3860	8780	22800		
	3930	8910	23500		
	4000	9040	23500		

Notional Pay Fixation under 7th CPC for revision of pension from 1-1-2016
In R/o Pre -2006 Group- D retirees

Pay Scales: S-3 (6th CPC :1-S)

4th CPC : Rs.800-15-1010-20-1150 (Retirements: 1986 - 1995)

5th CPC: Rs. 2650-65-3300-70 -4000 (Retirements : 1996 - 2005)

6th CPC : 1-S Rs. 4440-7440 + Grade pay Rs. 1650 ((Retirements: 2006 -2015)

7th CPC : Level-1

4 th & 5 th CPC Retirees				6 th CPC retirees	
Pay drawn in the retiring pay scale and the notional pay under subsequent pay commissions				Pay drawn in 6 th CPC pay bands (Pay in PB + Grade pay) and notional pay in 7 th CPC as per pay matrix	
4 th CPC	5 th CPC	6 th CPC	7 th CPC	Pay drawn in 6 th CPC	Notional pay - 7 th CPC
1986 -1995	1996-2005	2006-2015	2016	2006-2015	
1	2	3	4	5	6
800	2650	6580	18000	7000	18000
815	2650	6580	18000	7010-7190	18500
830	2650	6580	18000	7200-7430	19100
845	2715	6700	18000	7430-7660	19700
860	2715	6700	18000	7670-7890	20300
875	2780	6830	18000	7900-8130	20900
890	2780	6830	18000	8140-8360	21500
905	2845	6950	18000	8370-8590	22100
920	2910	7070	18500	8600-8870	22800
935	2910	7070	18500	8880-9140	23500
950	2975	7190	18500	9150-9410	24200
965	3040	7310	19100	9420-9680	24900
980	3040	7310	19100	9690-9960	25600
995	3105	7430	19100	9970-10270	26400
1010	3170	7550	19700	10280-10580	27200
1030	3170	7550	19700	10590-10890	28000
1050	3235	7670	20300	10900-11200	28800
1070	3300	7790	20300	11210-11550	29700
1090	3370	7920	20900	11560-11900	30600
1110	3440	8050	20900	11910-12250	31500
1130	3510	8180	21500	12510-12600	32400
1150	3580	8310	21500	12610-12990	33400
	3650	8440	22100	12300-13380	34400
	3720	8570	22100	12390-13770	35400
	3790	8700	22800	13780-14200	36500
	3860	8830	22800	14210-14630	37600
	3930	8960	23500	14640-15050	38700
	4000	9090	23500		

Donation to the Building Fund - 11th List

SI No.	Name Sri/Smt.	Membership No.	Amount Rs.	Receipt No.	Progressive Total of donation
582	V.Gopal	2157	10000	2915	35,000
583	H.S.Keshava Murthy	763	5000	2906	
584	T. Chandrasekaran	603	5000	2928	16,000
585	BSNL Pensioners' Assn.		5000	2907	
586	Y.L.Vasudeva Rao	268	2000	2908	
587	M.S. Krishnamurthy	1488	2000	2882	
588	H.R.Sathyanarayana	2367	2000	2923	
589	N.Ramaiah	1174	1900	2914	1,05,000
590	D.Vasudevan	1754	1000	2883	
591	K.R.Anantha Krishnan	958	1000	2922	
592	M.V.Nanjunda Rao	589	1000	2924	4,000
593	A.N.Nagesh	2443	500	2910	
594	M.S.Lalitha	1296	500	2919	

**BSNL
IDA**

Board level and below Board level posts including non-unionised supervisors in Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) - Revision of scales of pay w.e.f. 1.1.2007 - Payment of IDA at revised rates-regarding.

*O.M.No. W-02/0002/2014-DPE (WC)-GE-X/17, Gol, Ministry of Heavy Industries & Public Enterprises
Department of Public Enterprises dated 4th July, 2017*

In modification of this Department's O.M. of even No. dated 5.4.2017, the rate of DA payable to the executives and non-unionized supervisors of CPSEs (2007 pay revision) is as follows:

- (a) Date from which payable: 1.7.2017
- (b) Average AICPI (2001=100) for the quarter March 2017 - May 2017
- | | |
|------------------------|--------|
| March, 2017 | 275 |
| April, 2017 | 277 |
| May, 2017 | 278 |
| Average of the quarter | 276.67 |
- (c) Link Point: 126.33 (as on 1.1.2007)
- (d) Increase over link point : 150.34 (274.67 minus 126.33)
- (e) DA Rate w.e.f. 1.7.2017: 119% $[(150.34 \div 126.33) \times 100]$

2. The above rate of DA i.e. 119% would be applicable in the case of IDA employees who have been allowed revised pay scales (2007) as per DPE O.M. dated 26.11.2008, 9.2.2009 & 2.4.2009.

Medical Allowance

Fixed Medical Allowance enhanced to Rs. 1000/- from 1st July 2017

Pensioners associations in the Memoranda submitted to the 7th Central Pay Commissions had demanded that the Fixed Medical Allowance to the Central pensioners residing in areas not covered under CGHS should be increased to Rs.2000/- per month to enable them to meet their day-to-day medical expenses in view of the increasing cost of medical treatment and medicines. The 7th CPC did not recommend enhancement of FMA on the plea that the allowance was enhanced from Rs.300 to 500 in Non 2014. However, the Government referred the issue to the Committee on Allowances set up to review the recommendations of the Pay Commission on various allowances.

On the recommendations of the CoA, the Govt has enhanced the FMA from the existing Rs. 500/- to Rs.1000/- p.m. w.e.f. 1st July 2017. OM dated 19th July 2017 of DoP&PW is reproduced below.

GoI No. 4/34/2017-P&PW(D) GoI, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions (Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare) dated 19th July 2017

Grant of Fixed Medical Allowance (FMA) to the Central Government Pensioners residing in areas not covered under CGHS

The undersigned is directed to say that at present Fixed Medical Allowance (FMA) is granted to the Central Government pensioners/ family pensioners residing in areas not covered under Central Government Health Scheme administered by the Ministry of Health & Family

Welfare and corresponding health schemes administered by other Ministries/Departments for their retired employees for meeting expenditure on their day-to-day medical expenses that do not require hospitalization. Orders were issued vide this Department's O.M. No. 4/25/2008-P&PW(D) dt. 19-11-2014 for enhancement of the amount of Fixed Medical Allowance from Rs. 300/- to Rs. 500/- per month w.e.f. 19.11.2014.

2. Consequent upon the decision taken by the Government on the recommendation of the 7th Central Pay Commission on Allowances (with modifications), sanction of the President is hereby conveyed for enhancement of the amount of Fixed Medical Allowance from Rs. 500/- to Rs. 1000/- per month. The other conditions for grant of Fixed Medical Allowance shall continue to be as contained in this Department's OMs No. 45/57/97-P&PW(C) dated 19.12.1997, 24.8.1998, 30.12.1998, 18.8.1999 and OM No. 4/25/2008-P&PW(D) dated 19.11.2014.

3. These orders will take effect from 1.7.2017

4. In their application to the persons belonging to the Indian Audit and Accounts Department, these orders issue in consultation with the Comptroller and Auditor General of India vide their UO No. 169-Staff (Rules) A.R/01-2016 dated 18.7.2017.

5. These orders are issued with the concurrence of the Ministry of Finance (Deptt. of Expenditure) vide their OM No. 11-1/2016-IC dated 11.7.2017.

OBITUARY

Sri G R Parthasarathy, LM 911, Retd Senior Section Supervisor, BSNL, Bg TD expired on 11-7-2017 at the age of 81 years

Sri K K Bhajanthri, LM -2056, retd Asst. Director, O/o CPMG, Karnataka expired on 17-7-2017 at the age of 69 years. He is survived by wife, two sons and a daughter.

We convey our heartfelt condolences to the bereaved families

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Full pension of PSU absorbees Restored

Government of India Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions Department of Pension & Pensioners Welfare F.No.4/34/2002-P&PW(D).Vol.II Dated the 21st July, 2017

Corrigendum

Restoration of full pension of absorbee pensioners in view of the order dated 01.09.2016 of Hon'ble Supreme Court in Civil Appeal No. 604812010 and Civil Appeal No. 637112010.

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Department's OM of even no. dated 23-06-2017 on the above subject. As per the said OM, the benefit of the orders of Hon'ble High Court of Madras dated 02-08-2007 and the Orders of Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 01-09-2016 would be extended to all similarly placed absorbee pensioners.

Accordingly, the words "absorbee petitioners" in para 8 of the above OM may be read as "absorbee pensioners".

Harjit Singh, Director

*Editors note : Karnataka P&T Pensioners' Association through an email dated 30-6-2017 had brought to the notice of DoP&PW that in the OM dated 23-6-2017 it was stated that "all such absorbee **petitioners** may be allowed restoration of full pension" instead of mentioning all such absorbee **pensioners** and therefore a clarification is required to be issued as to whether the provisions of OM dated 23-6-2017 are applicable to **ALL ABSORBEE PENSIONERS** irrespective of whether they were petitioners in the suits mentioned in the OM or not.*

With the issue of the corrigendum reproduced above all PSU absorbees have now become eligible for restoration of their full pension. (OM dated 23-6-2017 was reproduced in pages 21-22 of June 2017 issue of the Journal)

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As per government order, Super Senior (80+ aged) pensioner beneficiaries of CGHS are to be extended priority both by doctors and Pharmacists at Wellness Centres. Though arrangements exist in all Wellness Centres for this, the 80+ beneficiaries have, generally to compete and brush up with non-80+ beneficiaries claiming seniority as per allotted token numbers.

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B. Sadashiva Rao,
Former President, K P&T PA & Chairman, CCCGPA, Karnataka

OUR MEMBERS WRITE

(a) On conduct of AGB meeting on 17-6-2017

The felicitation programme for super senior citizens was really good in all aspects. AGB was on full swing with house full show. The Association is champion of pensioners' champion.

Dr. Raghumohan,
ALM-2416 Retd. Head and Principal Scientist, ICAR, Blore

(b) Feedback on the Association's Journal *Pensioners' Champion* – June 2017 issue

I could not attend the AGB .But by reading the report on the proceedings and seeing the photos published in the journal, I could visualise the events that happened on the day. Congratulations !

S K Subramanian
LM-87, Retd. Asst. Director Postal services

(c) On the article on Shri R.Soundararajan published in March, 2017 issue

I had not received the Journal for March 2017. After reading the comments from many readers in April issue, I was inclined to read the article on Soundararajn, my former colleague. A very well written article on his achievements while in service and after wards. Sounderarajan's services in cultural and social fields, especially his concern for the deprived and donation of 50% of his pension every month for the cause of welfare of students are worth mentioning.

Bandigaiah,
LM 541 Retd. Superintendent, Postal Services

After reading the article on Shri R. Soundararajan, I could not refrain myself from calling him over the phone to wish him long and healthy life to continue his services to the people, who are in need.

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