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26TH ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING

Through Video Conferencing

Held on Saturday the 13th November, 2021



Shri Satya Prakash Gupta, IPoS Retd., Secretary, Rajasthan Posts & Telecommunication Pensioners' Association, Jaipur, the Chief Guest, delivered his inaugural address

(Proceedings of the Annual General Body Meeting in pages 2-7)

Proceedings of the Annual General Body Meeting of Karnataka Posts and Telecommunications Pensioners' Association held virtually on 13.11.2021

The 26th Annual General Body Meeting was held through video conferencing on 13.11.2021 at 10.30 am under the president ship of Sri G.Babu, President of the association. More than 70 participated in the VC.

AGENDA

Morning session 10.30 am

1. Welcome
2. Confirmation of the minutes of the AGB meeting held on 19th December 2020, circulated through the association's journal Pensioner's Champion December 2020 issue in pages 2-5
3. Presentation and adoption of Annual report for 2020-21 published in pages 3 -10 of September, 2021 issue of the journal
4. Presentation and adoption of the Audited Statements of accounts for 2020-21 published in pages 11 -14 of September, 2021 issue of the journal
5. Appointment of Chartered Accountant for the year 2021-22

Open session at 11.00 am

6. Welcome speech and introduction of the Chief Guest
7. Inauguration of the open session by the Chief Guest **Sri Sathya Prakash Gupta IPos, Retired, Secretary, Rajasthan Posts and Telecommunications Pensioners' Association, Jaipur**
8. Address by the president Sri G.Babu
9. Vote of thanks

Afternoon session at 12.00 noon

10. Discussion on 7th CPC
11. Payment of arrears of DR for the period 01.01.2020 to 30.06.2021

12. Grant of notional increment benefits to those who have retired on 30th June/31st December

13. MACP : Date of effect and grant of MACP to the promotees

14. CGHS and CS (MA) Rules and FMA matters

15. Any other subject with the permission of the chair

16. Concluding remarks by the President

17. Vote of thanks/National Anthem.

The 26th AGB meeting started virtually at 10.30 a.m. 72 members joined virtually to attend the meeting. Secretary Sri K.B.Krishna Rao welcomed all the participants and requested Sri G Babu, President to preside over the meeting and conduct the proceedings.

Condolences:

Association expressed its condolences to 52 members who had expired during the year. Condolences were expressed to Political and Trade Union leaders and millions of people who died due to the Pandemic covid-19 during the year.

Proceedings:

Secretary Sri K.B.Krishna Rao informed that due to the restrictions in the number of participants in a physical meeting imposed by the Government due to the prevailing Pandemic situation; this year also virtual meeting is being conducted. He read out the agenda for adoption and same was adopted

Further, he informed that the draft of the Annual Report and Annual Accounts for the year ended 2020-2021 have already been published in the journal Pensioner's Champion September, 2021 issue. He said that due to limitations of time, it is not possible to read out the entire report and gave a gist of the report on the activities of the association. Annual Report was adopted.

Regarding annual accounts, he informed that the same was published in the September 2021 month's Journal and requested the members to seek any clarification and requested the Treasurer to give a summary of the accounts. Sri Anantha Ramu, Treasurer read out the Auditor's report.

The Annual Accounts for the year 2020-21 were adopted

Appointment of Chartered Accountant for the year 2021-22:

Secretary Sri K.B.Krishna Rao informed that M/S GRSM and Associates are the Chartered Accountants for the past several years and proposed to continue them for the year 2021-22 also. The proposal was accepted

Meanwhile Sri B.Nagaraju, informed that no message is being received from SBI for accepting the DLC as in the case of other DDOs. Sri K.R.Anantharamu informed that the DLC generated in Jeevan Praman website will be directly sent to DDO and the reason for non-receipt of SMS may be due to not linking of mobile phone number to the pension account.

Sri Krishna Rao said that on downloading the DLC from Jeevan Praman website, a foot note appears indicating that the DLC is subject to acceptance by the DDO and however no such message will appear after it was accepted by the DDO. Sri V.Gopal informed that after accepting the DLC by DDO, the footnote says that the DLC is accepted by the DDO (with DDO details).Sri A.Poobalan suggested that all pensioners may be requested to update and

link their mobile phones with their pension accounts .Sri K.B.Krishna Rao informed that the matter will be taken up with the authorities concerned.

OPEN SESSION

The Open Session started with the welcome speech by the Secretary. He welcomed Chief Guest Sri Sathya Prakash Guptha, IPoS retired, Secretary, Rajasthan Post and Telecommunication Pensioner's Association Jaipur and requested him to inaugurate the open session. Secretary made a brief speech about the formation and activities of the association and said that for the association holding the Annual General Body was not just a formality but it was a festivity. He recalled the activities like honouring the pensioners who attained the age of 75 years and giving cash awards to the meritorious students of Government School.

Introducing the Chief Guest, he said that Sri Gupta did his post-graduation and obtained degrees in Urdu and Sanskrit languages 9 years after his retirement. Efforts made by Sri Gupta in ensuring merger of the postal dispensary with CGHS in Rajasthan State, merger of 33 postal dispensaries in other cities with CGHS and his other activities in the interest of pensioners welfare were mentioned. Considering his service done to the pensioner's community, he was conferred with the title "Pensioners' **Rathna**" and a silver medal was presented to him by the Rajasthan Pensioners' Association.

The Chief Guest in his speech recalled his bonding with the KP&TPA from a long period and with the Secretary and founder President Sri B.Sadashiva Rao and said that he was happy to inaugurate the open session. In his speech he quoted a few Sanskrit slokas and said that he believed that one's aim should be to help others who are in need of it.

He mentioned about the difficulties of pensioner's in getting proper medical treatment

especially by those who are not covered by CGHS. He said that CS (MA) Rules are not extended to pensioners in spite of many court decisions. Government is not ready to consider pensioners as equivalent with serving employees under CS (MA) Rules. He wanted KP&TPA to take some action in this regard.

The open session ended at 11.50 am after President's Speech and Vote of thanks by Sri V.Murugan, Joint Secretary.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Afternoon session began at 12.00 p.m. and items of the agenda were taken up for discussion

Discussion on 7th CPC:

Secretary Sri K.B.Krishna Rao said that issues relating to 7th CPC have almost been settled in all the departments. He requested members to inform the association if any pension or family pension revision case is still pending so that the case may be pursued with the department concerned.

Discussion on 6th CPC

The Secretary explained the method of pension calculation in 6th CPC in respect of pre 2006 retirees and post 2006 retirees. From 2006 pension is calculated at 50% of the last pay drawn (LPD) whereas in respect of pre 2006 pensioners it was at 50 % of average emoluments for 10 months. Hence Government was addressed by the association to extend the method of calculation of pension at 50% of LPD in respect of pre 2006 pensioners also. The demand is being pursued by many pensioners associations, federations, employees' unions, NCCPA and the NC JCM. Matter was notified for discussion in SCOVA. But, the government has not accepted the demand citing huge financial implications.

Sri T.R.Narayana suggested that the age-related additional pension must commence at the age of 75 years instead of 80 years and percentage of pension and family pension must be revised upwards.

Sri Thomas said that the pension must have been revised according to option 1 recommended by the pay 7th Central Pay Commission instead of the modified formula introduced by the government

Sri K.B.Krishna Rao, explaining at length, informed that grant of additional pension at the age of 75 years was not recommended by the 7th CPC . Though in the memorandum submitted by BCPC to 7th CPC finalised in the Chennai meeting held on 14-6-2014, it was demanded that pension must be sanctioned at 65% of the last pay and the family pension at 50%, the pay commission did not consider the demand. Regarding revision of pension in 7th CPC as per option 1 recommended by the pay commission, Government didn't accept the formula citing non availability of service records in about 18% of the cases of pre-2106 pensioners. Sri Thomas suggested that Government may be requested to accept the affidavit given by the pensioner furnishing the required service particulars. Pensioners have been put to a huge loss due to non-implementation of option-1 .Secretary informed Sri Thomas that a separate meeting was held in October 2015 itself on this issue and he represented KP & TPA in the meeting at Delhi. He insisted on acceptance of option 1 recommended by the 7th CPC for revision of pension w.e.f. 1-1-2016 instead of the one suggested by the Department of pension in the meeting. However, unfortunately he was not supported by other pensioner associations attending the meeting and the formula suggested by the government was accepted. Finally, OM dated 12-5-2017 was issued by DoP&PW revising pension at 50% of the notional pay corresponding to the last pay drawn. An application filed by S-29 Pensioners' Association before the CAT, Principal Bench, New Delhi requesting for issuance of an order for implementation of Option-1 is pending,

Payment of arrears of DR the period 01.01.2020 to 30.06.2021 :

Secretary informed that though the DR frozen for 18 months from 1-1-2020 to 30-6-2021 was released from 1-7-2021, arrears for the period have not been paid. The issue has been taken up by JCM and is being pursued with the government. Association has sent an email to the honourable Finance Minister by name requesting payment of arrears for 18 months. NCCPA is also pursuing the matter.

Sri V.Gopal sought clarification on taking of DR in to account for computation of pension and the same was clarified by the Secretary

Grant of notional increment benefit to those who have retired on 30th June/31st December:

Secretary Sri K.B.Krishna Rao said that this is a fully justified demand by the pensioners who retired a day before their due date of increment and who were denied their increment even after working for one year after drawing their last increment. The association has already written to the nodal ministry for amending the relevant rule itself to allow drawal of increment on the last day of the month instead of 1st day of next month. Many of the affected pensioners had approached courts and there is no uniformity in judgements. The judgement of CAT Bangalore in the case of a Railway pensioner is stayed by the Supreme Court and stay is not vacated. The association has already advised the affected pensioners to file individual applications before the CAT and as a first step to represent to their respective administrative authority and obtain a reply from them which is required to proceed further. A draft of the representation to be submitted to the competent authority has already been published in the journal. The Secretary further stated that writ petitions before the Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka have been adjourned since the Hon'ble Supreme Court has stayed implementation of the order of CAT Bangalore in a similar case and therefore there is no immediate prospect of the issue finding a solution.

Sri V.Gopal wanted to know whether national increment will be applicable to pre 2006 pensioners also. The Secretary clarified to him that this should be made applicable to all pre 2006 pensioners irrespective of the date of retirement if they had retired after serving for one year after drawing their last increment.

Sri. M. Ramakrishna suggested that at present qualifying service for increment is 6 months and hence the notional increment should be granted for those retiring after 6 months service from the date of drawal of their last increment.

Secretary Sri K.B.Krishna Rao clarified that such demand cannot be made since increment is granted annually. It is clearly mentioned in CCS (RP) Rules 2017 that the official will draw his first increment after 6 months of qualifying service either on 1st January or 1st July based on his first appointment or promotion to next higher grade and will draw the next increment only on completion of one year.

MACP: Date of effect and grant of MACP to Promotees:

Regarding the demand that the date of effect of MACP scheme must be revised from 1-9-2008 to 1-1-2006 as the 6th pay commission recommendations were implemented from 01.01.2006, the Secretary said that the date of effect of MACP has been revised from 1-9-2008 to 1-1-2006 in respect of Personnel below the rank of officers in the Army as ordered by the Supreme Court. But this has not been extended to Central Civil Servants. The issue is being pursued by NC JCM.

Regarding grant of financial upgradation under MACP to the promotees ignoring the promotion earned by them for passing an examination, he clarified that Rule 8 of MACP Scheme specifies that promotions earned in the post carrying same Pay Level in the promotional hierarchy as per Recruitment Rules shall be counted for the purpose of MACPS

and the same provision exists in the ACP Scheme of 1999 also.

The Secretary said that the Department of Posts, vide its latest order dated 29-9-2021 has stated that the Hon'ble Supreme Court had Left the question of law open in D.Shivakumar case. Hence the Hon'ble Apex Court has not decided the issue on merit. Therefore, there is no question of any binding precedent laid down by the Supreme Court. Further, since the question of law on the issue as to whether the promotion earned through Limited Departmental Competitive Examination is to be treated at par Direct Recruits or otherwise, is still under consideration before Hon'ble Supreme court in various similar tagged cases, similar cases are to be defended on their merits. As such, each and every case must be dealt on its merits as per the instructions of MACP Scheme. Postal Directorate referring to its OM of even No. dated 06.09.2021, has stated with a few illustrations that, if a Central Govt. Employee, who was appointed as Postman, earns regular promotion to the post Postal Assistant, granted TBOP and then earns another promotion to Inspector Posts, no financial upgradation under MACP Scheme shall be admissible to him. The issue can get resolved only when the Supreme Court decides on the pending SLPs before it.

Sri S.K.Hidkal requested to clarify whether any individual can approach court in this regard. Secretary replied that as the case is still pending in SC, and Karnataka High Court has allowed the writ petitions filed by the D O Posts, CAT may not admit any application for the present.

CGHS and CS(MA) rules and FMA matters:

Secretary informed that this is a vast subject item and it cannot be discussed within the available time. He said CGHS has relaxed many rules recently and has allowed local purchase of medicine due to Pandemic covid-

19. There are some complaints that CGHS authorities have not reimbursed the medical claims. On enquiry with CGHS authorities it revealed that many times claims are not supported by the required documents and when calls were made there were no responses from the pensioners side.

Sri G.Mathiazhagan pointed out that some labs and hospitals have been removed from list and it is very difficult to go for another Hospital or Diagnostic Centre for aged pensioners and in one of the Diagnostics Centre credit facilities are not being given to the pensioner.

Secretary explained to him the reasons for some private hospitals and diagnostic centres seeking de-empanelment from CGHS and said that low CGHS package rates and delay in settlement of pending bills are the main reasons. A memorandum has been submitted in October 2021 to the Secretary, MoH&FW requesting for revision of CGHS Package rates which were fixed in November 2014.

Sri Puttamadaiah expressed his difficulty in obtaining lab test from diagnostic centres. Secretary informed him that the prescribed tests can be got done at any of the empanelled private hospitals

Regarding FMA, it was said that the demand for payment of Rs. 3000 was not accepted by the pay commission

Regarding payment of age-related additional pension on attaining 79 years instead of 80 years, the Secretary informed that though the Hon'ble High Court of Guwahathi has delivered a judgment that the additional pension must be paid at the commencement of 80 years, the order which is applicable to Judicial Officers, has not been extended to Central Civil Pensioners covered by CCS(Pension) Rules as the rules clearly mention that additional pension is admissible on completion of 80 years.

Any other subject with the permission of the chair:

Sri B V Chandrasekhar enquired whether pensioner from State Government can become a member to the association and Sri Phoobalan suggested examining admission of the GDS of the Department of Posts as members.

Secretary Sri K.B.Krishna Rao, informed that to admit any pensioner other than Central Government Pensioner, the relevant bye law has to be amended by calling for a special GB and later it has to be approved by Registrar of Societies. As such any other pensioner cannot be admitted now.

Concluding remarks by the President:

President Sri G.Babu conveyed his thanks to all for smooth conduct of the virtual AGB which lasted for 3 hours.

Vote of thanks/ National Anthem

Sri V Murugan, Joint Secretary, proposing vote thanks, thanked the Chief Guest, Advisors and all the members for conducting a successful AGB. He thanked Sri T V Surya Prakash, Joint Secretary CCCGPA for hosting the virtual meeting.

The AGB ended at 13.30 hours

**Transfer / Credit of amounts
directly to the Association's Bank Account:**

SUBSCRIPTION

Name of the Account Holder : **Karnataka P&T Pensioners' Association**
Bank: **State Bank of India (SBI)** Branch: NTI Layout Branch, Vidyaranyapura, Bengaluru
Current Account No. **36418697411**
IFSC: **SBIN 0009045**

DONATION FOR THE BUILDING FUND

Name of the Account Holder: **Karnataka P&T Pensioners' Association**
Bank: **State Bank of India (SBI)** Branch: HMT Layout Branch, Vidyaranyapura, Bengaluru
Current Account No. **64209078453**,
IFSC: **SBIN 0040659**

Please avoid remittance by MO as much as possible. After crediting the amount, please invariably inform us through a MESSAGE or phone call to Mobile Nos. 9448477129 or 9483467750

FOR THE ATTENTION OF RMS & MMS PENSIONERS, BENGALURU

Annual Get-together of RMS and MMS Pensioners which was being held on the 1st Sunday of every year, is not being held in 2022 due to the pandemic Covid-19 situation in Bengaluru city.

Central Government Holiday in DECEMBER 2021

Christmas Day - 25th December, Saturday

Grant of Dearness Relief to Central Government pensioners/ family pensioners – Revised rate effective from 01.07.2021

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Department's OM of even no. dated 22.07.2021 on the subject mentioned above and to state that the President is pleased to decide that the Dearness Relief admissible to Central Government pensioners/family pensioners shall be enhanced from the existing rate of 28% to 31% of the basic pension/family pension (including additional pension/family pension) w.e.f 01.07.2021

2. These rates of DR will be applicable to the following categories:-

- i. Civilian Central Government Pensioners/ Family Pensioners including Central Govt. absorbee pensioners in PSU/ Autonomous Bodies in respect of whom orders have been issued vide this Department's OM No. 4/34/2002-P&PW(D)Vol.II dated 23.06.2017 for restoration of full pension after expiry of commutation period of 15 years.
- ii. The Armed Forces Pensioners/Family Pensioners, Civilian Pensioners/Family Pensioners paid out of the Defence Service Estimates.
- iii. All India Service Pensioners/Family Pensioners
- iv. Railway Pensioners/family pensioners.
- v. Pensioners who are in receipt of provisional pension
- vi. The Burma Civilian pensioners/family pensioners and pensioners/families of displaced Government Pensioners from Burma/ Pakistan, in respect of whom orders have been issued vide this Department's OM No. 23/3/2008-P&PW(B) dated 11.09.2017.

3. The payment on account of Dearness Relief involving a fraction of a rupee shall be rounded to the next higher rupee

4. Other provisions governing grant of DR in respect of employed family pensioners and re-

employed Central Government Pensioners will be regulated in accordance with the provisions contained in this Department's OM No. 45/73/97-P&PW (G) dated 2.7.1999 as amended from time to time. The provisions relating to regulation of DR where a pensioner is in receipt of more than one pension will remain unchanged.

5. In the case of retired Judges of the Supreme Court and High Courts, necessary orders will be issued by the Department of Justice separately.

6. It will be the responsibility of the pension disbursing authorities, including the nationalized banks, etc. to calculate the quantum of DR payable in each individual case.

7. The offices of Accountant General and authorised Pension Disbursing Banks are requested to arrange payment of relief to pensioners etc. on the basis of these instructions without waiting for any further instructions from the Comptroller and Auditor General of India and the Reserve Bank of India in view of letter No. 528-TA, II/34-80-II dated 23/04/1981 of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India addressed to all Accountant Generals and Reserve Bank of India Circular No. GANB No. 2958/GA-64 (ii) (CGL)/81 dated the 21st May, 1981 addressed to State Bank of India and its subsidiaries and all Nationalized Banks.

8. In their application to the persons belonging to Indian Audit and Accounts Department, these orders are issued under Article 148(5) of the Constitution and after consultation with the Comptroller & Auditor General of India.

9. This issues in accordance with the Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure's OM No. 1/4/2020-E.II(B) dated 25.10.2021.

Naresh Bhardwaj
Deputy Secretary to the Government of India

**Issue of Pension slip by Pension Disbursing Banks
on monthly basis.**

In order to ensure "Ease of Living" of the Pensioners, a meeting was held with the CPPCs of Pension Disbursing Banks on 15.06.2021, wherein the issue of providing the breakup of monthly pension to the pensioners was discussed. The banks were impressed upon to undertake this welfare measure, as this information is required by pensioners in connection with Income Tax, Dearness Relief payment, DR arrears etc. The banks welcomed the idea and expressed their willingness to provide the information

Accordingly, the undersigned is directed to request all Pension Disbursing Banks to issue pension slip to pensioners after credit of

pension on their registered mobile numbers through SMS and email (wherever available) also. Banks may also use social media apps whatsapp etc in addition to sms and email. The pension slip should provide complete details of monthly pension paid along with break-up of the amount credited and tax deductions etc. if any.

The CPPCs of Pension Disbursing Banks are requested to ensure compliance of the above instructions for improving the "Ease of Living" for pensioner

Naresh Bhardwaj
Deputy Secretary to the Government of India

**POSTAL
PENIONERS****Pension Adalats**

Regional Pension Adalat will be held on 8th December,2021 at the office of the Postmaster General, South Karnataka Region, II Floor, GPO Bengaluru at 11A.M. for hearing the grievances of the Postal Pensioners relating to their pension only. Postmaster General,

South Karnataka Region, Bengaluru will be presiding over the proceedings. Representations if any may be submitted on or before 30-11-2021. Cases received after the said date will not be considered

Accounts Officer
O/o PMG,S K Region

**DoT/BSNL
Pensioners****26th Pension Adalat for Telecom/BSNL Pensioners is proposed
to be held on 28-01-2022 through virtual mode in view of
the existing guidelines of Covid-19 Pandemic.**

Pensioners/Family Pensioners who have retired from DoT/ BSNL in Karnataka Circle, having any grievances regarding their pension matters may submit their representations on or before 28-12-2021 by post/Fax/email (Fax: 080-22350604 & E-mail: jtcca2.ka dot@gov.in)

with full PP0 details. Cases involving legal/succession issues and policy matters will not be entertained. Time and link for participants of the Adalat will be intimated directly to each applicant in due course

Jt. Controller of Communication
Accounts

**Return of PPO if pension has not been credited to the account
of the pensioner for a period of 3 years and above,**

The "Scheme for Payment of Pensions to Central Government Civil Pensioners by Authorised Banks (Fifth Edition, July 2021) at para 2L.4 ("payment of arrear due to non-submission of the life certificate relate to period three years and above") states that

"If pension has not been credited to the account of the pensioner for a period of 3 years and above, the disbursing authority should be returned to the CPAO by the CPPC, with suitable endorsement thereon, specifying the date up to which the pension was credited in the pensioner's account; CPAO will forward the same to PPO issuing authority for updation of their record, payment of arrears in such cases as also payment of current pension will be made by the CPPC on receipt of PPO with

a sanction of the competent authority through the CPAO. Such payments will also be mentioned prominently in the e-payment scrolls,

It has been observed that the guideline mentioned above is not being followed by banks. This is leading to hardships faced by family pensioners who prefer to claim the pension at a later stage. The delays caused are also sometimes leading to avoidable judicial action on the part of the pensioner.

Banks are, therefore, requested to strictly adhere to the guideline mentioned in para 21.4 of the Scheme Booklet.

This issues with the approval of Chief Controller (pensions)

Sathis Kumar Garg, (Sr, Accounts Officer)

**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. 01.01.2007 – Payment of IDA at revised rates.**

The undersigned is directed to refer to the Para 6 and Annexure-11 (B) of DPE's OM dated 26.11.2008 wherein the rates of DA payable to the Board level and below Board level executives and non-unionized supervisors of CPSEs have been indicated. The rates of DA payable to the executives and non-unionized supervisors of CPSEs are as follows:-

(a) DA Rate 173.8% due and payable from 01.07.2021

(b) DA Rate 179.3% payable from 01.10.2021

2. Accordingly, the rate of DA 170.5% notified vide OM No. W-02/0002/201 4-GL-III/21, dated 02.08.2021, which was taken based on the rate due from 01.04.2021, has been superseded by enhanced DA rate 173.8% payable from 01.07.2021.

3. The above rates of DA i.e. 173.8% and 179.3% would be applicable in the case of IDA employees who have been allowed revised pay scales (2007) as per DPE O.Ms. dated 26.11.2008, 09.02.2009 & 02.04.2009.

4. All administrative Ministries/Departments of the Government of India are requested to bring the foregoing to the notice of the CPSEs under their administrative control for necessary action at their end.

5. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

Samsul Haque, Under secretary

Our Readers Write

I am happy to go through the trade union activities of the 3 nonagenarians namely S/s B.Sadashiva Rao, N. Bhaskaran and S.M.Vittal Rao (Pensioners Champion October 2021). They have translated into actions the famous theory of "living for others" of the French philosopher August Comte.

The principle of their action has been usefulness to others and the growth of our organization really announces this principle.

R.Soundararajan, LM-710, Mobile: 9566436643

CGHS

Office of the Additional Director, CGHS, Bengaluru 560034

Office Order No.19-3/2021/ADMIN/(129) Dated 28-10-2021

Removal of Medicluc Diagnostic & Speciality Centre (A unit of Vijayalakshmi Diagnostics Pvt Ltd) from the list of Empanelled HCOs under CGHS Bengaluru.

Complaints from the beneficiaries have been received for not providing credit facilities and charging an excess amount from the beneficiaries. Hence, Medicluc Diagnostic & Speciality Centre (A unit of Vijayalakshmi Diagnostics Pvt Ltd) No.79, Kendra

Upadhyayara Sangha Layout, Nagarabhavi Circle, Bengaluru 560072, which was empanelled under CGS Bengaluru vide CGHS Bangalore OM No.193/2019ADMIN(129)/1035A dated 13-4-2020, is de-empanelled from the list of empanelled HCOs.

Accordingly, their name stands removed from the list of empanelled hospitals under CGHS Bengaluru wef 28-10-2021

Additional Director, CGHS

Office of the Additional Director, CGHS, Bengaluru 560034

Office Order No.19-3/2021/ADMIN/(129) Dated 28-10-2021

Removal of KIMS Hospitals and Research from the list of Empanelled HCOs under CGHS Bengaluru

With reference to the above subject, KIMS Hospitals and Research, K.R Road, V.V. Puram Bengaluru 560004, which was empanelled under CGHS Bengaluru vide CGHS Bengaluru OM NO 1932014ADMIN(129)/1240 dated 25-3-2015 have not on boarded on HEM Portal despite repeated reminders.

Accordingly, to avoid inconvenience to the beneficiaries their name stands removed from the list of empanelled hospitals under CGHS Bengaluru wef 28-10-2021

Additional Director, CGHS

OBITUARY

Sri S. Sunder Raj, ALM 657, Retd. Income Tax Officer, Gulbarga expired on 17-6-2021 at the age of 84 years.

Sri K Kempaih, LM1049, Retd. HSG-II HSA, Bengaluru City RMS expired on 25-9-2021 at the age of 82 years.

Sri Chandrasekhara Rao, LM 1987, Retd. BCR SA, Bengaluru City RMS expired on 9-10-2021 at the age of 79 years.

H.S. Krishna Swamy, LM 574, Retd BCR P A, Hassan HPO expired on 1-11-2021 at the age of 86 years.

The Executive Committee of K P&T PA conveys its heartfelt condolences to the members of the bereaved families

APPEAL FOR DONATIONS FOR THE BUILDING FUND

We appeal to our **Members who have not yet paid** their contribution to the building fund please to remit their donation. 60th list of donations is published in this issue.

Amount may please 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, Bangalore-560097. (Mob: 9448477129) **or**

Preferably, be directly credited to the Association's Bank Account:

Name: Karnataka P&T Pensioners' Association;

Bank: State Bank of India, Branch: HMT Layout branch, Vidyaranyapura, Bangalore
Current Account No. **64209078453, IFSC: SBIN 0040659**

INCOME TAX EXEMPTION: 50% of the amount of donation made to K P&T PA, is eligible for deduction in the gross total Income of the assessee under Section 80-G of Income Tax Act.

Please invariably inform us of the details of credit through a message or phone call on Phone No. 09448477129 or 09483467750 to enable us to acknowledge the receipt of the amount and to send you a receipt.

Donation for the Building Fund - 60th List October/November 2021

SI No.	Name Sri/Smt.	Membership No.	Amount Rs.	Receipt No.	Progressive Total of donation
1524	R Krishnan	502	20,000	5003	1,15,000
1525	A.D. Ramanand S/o. The Late A.G. Doreswmy	-	10000	5012	-
1526	C.V.Ramesh	3107	3000	5005	-
1527	R.Badrinath	1213	2000	5004	8,000
1528	T.V. Srinivasamurthy	129	1000	5014	12,000

The Executive Committee of KP&TPA is grateful to Sri R. Krishnan, ALM 502, retired from Geological Survey of India, Bangalore for donating Rs. 20,000 in November 2021, thereby increasing his total contribution to Rs. 1,15,000.



ALL INDIA CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

Month	CPI Base 2016=100	CPI base 2001=100	12 Months total	Monthly average	7th CPC	DR due
					% increase over 261.42	
June 21	121.7*	121.7x2.88= 350	4115	342.91	31.17	31% from July 2021
Sept 21	123.3	123.3x2.88= 355	4164	347	32.74	

* linking factor for conversion of the index numbers of 2016 base year to 2001 base year: 2.88

DR from 1-7-2021: 31% - Order in pages 8

COORDINATION COMMITTEE OF CENTRAL GOVERNMENT PENSIONERS ASSOCIATIONS, KARNATAKA, BENGALURU

Proceedings of the Annual General Body Meeting held virtually on 20.11.2021.

The Annual General Body meeting of the Coordination Committee of Central Government Pensioners' Associations (CCCGPA) was held virtually on 20.11.2021 at 11 AM.

2. The AGB started at 11 AM with Shri S. Radhakrishna, General Secretary, welcoming all the members who had participated in the meeting. He, then, requested Shri K.B. Krishna Rao, President, to preside over the meeting.

3. The President, while welcoming all the members, explained that, because of pandemic conditions, the AGB, which would usually be held in July/August, had to be postponed, and in view of the permission given by the Government of Karnataka, the AGB is convened now and held virtually. He requested the General Secretary to place the Agenda for adoption.

4. Before commencing the meeting, the CCCGPA expressed its respectful homages to all Political leaders, Trade Union Leaders, eminent personalities and affiliates members, besides expressing its sadness on the death of millions of victims of Covid-19 pandemic throughout the world.

5. The General Secretary, then, read out the Agenda for the Meeting which was adopted. Discussions of the Agenda items followed

6. Confirmation of the minutes of the Annual General Body Meeting held on 17.12.2020:

The AGB confirmed the minutes of the Annual General Body Meeting of CCCGPA held on 17.12.2020, as circulated by the Secretary through E-mail and also by way of publishing in the Affiliates' magazines.

7. Annual Report of the General Secretary for the year 2020-21

The General Secretary informed that the

draft of the Annual Report of CCCGPA for the year 2020-21 has already been circulated by post and through E-mail to all the affiliates. He informed that due to limitation of time, it may not be possible to read the entire report and as such, he explained, in brief, the salient features of the Report.

While on this subject, he also referred to the approval of CGHS Wellness Centre for Mysuru. A committee comprising representatives of CGPA, Mysuru, P&T Pensioners Association and BSNL Pensioners Association was constituted to locate a suitable building for the Wellness Centre. Additional Director, CGHS, Bangalore, has issued a Press Notification inviting quotations from the prospective landlords and last date for receiving quotation is 30.11.2021.

He referred to the visit to the residences of veterans, Sri B. Sadashiva Rao and Sri N. Bhaskaran, Advisors to CCCGPA, on the occasion of their attaining the age of 90 years for felicitating them. Lastly, he thanked all the affiliates for extending their cooperation in effective functioning of the Coordination Committee and also extended thanks to the Confederation of Central Government Employees & Workers, New Delhi, National Coordination Committee of Pensioners Association for taking up the issues raised by CCCGPA, the Additional Director, CGHS, Bangalore, Sri A. Rajagopal, Partner, GRSM for auditing the Accounts and Sri B. Sadashiva Rao and Sri N. Bhaskaran, Advisors for their advice and guidance.

After discussions, the AGB approved the Annual Report for 2020-21.

8. Audited Accounts for the year 20-21

Sri O.M. Bhaskaran, Treasurer, presented the Annual accounts and Audited Report for the year 2020-21.

While on this subject, the General Secretary referred to the Income and Expenditure statement and observed that many of the affiliates have not paid renewal fee/donation to the CCCGPA not only for the current year, ie, 2021-22, but also for the previous year. He appealed to all the affiliates, who have not yet paid, to send the renewal fee/donation to the CCCGPA at the earliest

With the above, the Audited Accounts for the year 2020-21 were approved.

9. Health care-CGHS, Non-CGHS areas and Pensioners of Autonomous/Statutory Bodies & Reduction in CGHS empanelled Health Care Providers.

Initiating discussion on this subject, the General Secretary informed the members that he along with the Chairman (now President) was in constant touch with the Additional Director (CGHS), Karnataka, Bengaluru, and interacted with her about the procedural formalities to be observed by the CGHS beneficiaries during the lockdown period and also thereafter.

He also brought to the notice of the AGB that the CCCGPA had reconstituted CGHS Advisory Committee with effect from 1.1.2021 for a period of two years and this Committee is having periodical meetings with the CMOs of Wellness Centres. He referred to the several relaxations to the rules in the year 2020 and 2021, which helped the beneficiaries to purchase the medicines prescribed by the CGHS Doctors, Government Specialists and Specials of Private Empanelled Hospitals in open market and claim reimbursement of the cost of medicines, thereafter.

Considering the difficulties being faced by the CGHS beneficiaries in getting proper medical treatment in Private Hospitals, CCCGPA has written a letter to the Secretary of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, New Delhi, requesting him to consider of revision of CGHS rates at the earliest, failing which many of the empanelled hospitals may opt out of the

empanelled list. Bharat Pensioners Samaj, New Delhi, and National Coordination Committee of Pensioners Association, New Delhi, have also supported the request of CCCGPA.

Sri K B Krishna Rao, President, said that recently the Rajya Sabha Secretariat has requested the Pensioners Associations to send suggestions for improvement of Health Care Facilities under CGHS for its consideration. CCCGPA has also brought to the notice of the Rajya Sabha Secretariat, through Bharat Pensioners Samaj, about the difficulties faced by the CGHS beneficiaries, empanelled CGHS hospitals opting out of empanelled list, and has proposed solutions to solve the problems of CGHS beneficiaries. At this juncture, Sri Girish Kanagotagi, President, KCGPA, informed that his Association has also responded to the request of Rajya Sabha Secretariat.

Sri B B Poddar suggested that the earlier system of issuing authorization slips for purchase of medicines not available in the pharmacy by the beneficiaries themselves, through local chemist, may be again reintroduced and CCCGPA may take up this with the CGHS Directorate.

With regard to the demand for enhancement of FMA from Rs.1000/- to Rs.3000/- , he said that though the 7th CPC had recommended, the Government did not accept that recommendation.

With regard to health care facilities to the pensioners of Autonomous/Statutory Bodies, Sri TV Suraprakash, Joint General Secretary, informed the members that, based on the request of the Pensioners Association of Autonomous/Statutory Bodies of Central Government with the support of CCCGPA, some of the empanelled hospitals under CGHS at Bangalore and other places have agreed to extend CGHS rates on payment of cash.

10. Grant of increment to post 2006/2016 retiree who retired on 30th June and 31st December

The General Secretary informed the members that the CCCGPA is pursuing the issue with regard to grant of increment to the employees who retire a day before their due date of increment and grant of notional increment to the pensioners for retirement benefits since many years in association with one of its affiliates, viz. Karnataka P&T Pensioners Association, which was also one of the SCOVA members. He also referred to the letter written by the Karnaaka P&T Pensioners Association to the Government for amending the relevant rule itself to allow drawal of increment on the last day of the month instead of 1st day of next month.

11. Election of office bearers for the year 21-22 and 22-23

The General Secretary requested the General Body to nominate 21 members to the Management Committee as required by the amended MOA & RR, keeping in view that at least one member from each of the Affiliates is in the Management Committee. After nominations to the Management Committee, the following were unanimously elected as the office bearers of Management Committee for the period 21-22 ad 22-23:

President: K.B. Krishna Rao, Secretary, Karnataka P&T Pensioners' Association

Vice-presidents: (1) P. Gangadhara Rao, General Secretary, ALL India BSNL Pensioners' Welfare Association

(2) Dr. M.R. Hegde, Secretary, Karnataka Central Government Pensioners' Association

(3) K.K. Gupta, Chairman, All India Khadi & Village Industries Commission Pensioners' Welfare Association

General Secretary: S. Radhakrishna, Secretary, Karnataka IA & AD Pensioners' Association

Joint General Secretaries:

(1) T.V. Suryaprakash, General Secretary, Pensioners' Association of Autonomous/ Statutory Bodies of Central Government

(2) Juliana Vincent, Secretary, The Survey of India Pensioners' Association

(3) P.S. Prasad, General Secretary, All India Central Ground Water Board Pensioners' Association

Treasurer: O.M. Bhaskaran, Secretary, Karnataka Income Tax Department Pensioners' Association

Internal Auditor: R.S.N. Murthy, Vice President, Defence Accounts Department Pensioners' Association

Management Committee Members:

S/s K. Umamaheshwara Rao, President, Pensioners' Association of Autonomous/ Statutory Bodies of Central Government

Dr. Raje Urs, President, Central Silk Board Pensioners' Association

M.G. Kodandaram, Secretary, Central Excise and Customs Pensioners' Association

K.N. Nagabhushan, Treasurer, Retired Railway Officers Association

N Shashidhara, President, National Council of Science Museums Pensioners' Association

Vijayashankar, Secretary, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathana Retired Employees Association

12. Nomination of auditor for the years 2021-22 and 22-23

The AGB agreed with the suggestion of the General Secretary to appoint GRSM & Associates as Statutory Auditor for the years 2021-22 and 2022-23.

Shri Suryaprakash proposed vote of thanks. The meeting concluded at 1.30 PM.

CCGPA, Karnataka

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Sl.No.	Name (Smt./Sri)	Designation & Office in which last worked	Type & No.
1	Manohar Ramarao Kulkarni	Announcer, AIR, Dharwad, Ministry of Information & Broadcasting	ALM 3113
2	B.Basavaraju	Deputy Director, Sports Authority of India, Bengaluru	ALM 3114
3	T.Rama Rao	Sub Postmaster, Devanahalli Sub Post Office	LM 3115
4	K.V.Vijayalakshamma	Sub Postmaster, Magadi Sub Post Office	LM 3116
5	S.B.Mashal	LSG Supervisor, SPCC, National Speed Post Hub, Bengaluru	LM 3117
6	Dr.Ishwar.E.Angadi,	Senior Kabaddi Coach, Sports Authority of India,	ALM 3118
7	Sanjeev.R.Kanaka	Senior Kho-Kho Coach, Sports Authority of India	ALM 3119
8	E Mathiyzhagan	HMM Bengaluru City RMS	LM 3120
9	Dr. Sridhar Kumar G.R.	Senior Kabaddi Coach, Sports Authority of India,	ALM 3121

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Donation for the Association

No.	Name	Amount	Year	Remarks
1.	H.V.Ramanatha	1083	5555	5011 To be utilized for charity purposes only
2.	H.R.Sathyannarayana	2367	5000	5013 To be utilized for education purposes only

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