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CLEANLINESS DRIVE ON 1ST OCTOBER 2024; ASSOCIATION PARTICIPATES IN THE NATIONWIDE CAMPAIGN



In compliance of the desire expressed by the Department of Pension and Pensioners Welfare, New Delhi that the Association participate in the "Swachhta Pakhwada" by holding cleanliness drive on 1st October 2024, Karnataka P&T Pensioners' Association, Bengaluru in coordination with the Pensioners Associations affiliated to the Coordination Committee of Central Govt. Pensioners Associations Karnataka Viz. (1) IA&AD Pensioners Association, (2) Coffee Board Pensioners Association and (3) Survey of India Pensioners Association, Bengaluru conducted

cleanliness drive in the 1st Main Road and 11th Cross of Telecom Layout, off Bengaluru International Airport Road, Jakkuru Cross, Sriramapura, Bengaluru 560064 near the Association's own building "Pensioners Bhavan". About 40 Pensioners from the above Pensioners Associations actively participated in the drive and cleaned the surroundings of Pensioners Bhavan in the 1st Main Road and 11th Cross of Telecom Layout which were selected for cleaning purposes. The Roads were cleanly swept and the trash disposed of. The drive lasted for about 2 hours.

CLEANLINESS DRIVE













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WORLD PENSIONERS DAY 1-10-2024

The Coordination Committee of Central Government Pensioners Association Karnataka (CCCGPA-K) with its affiliates (1) Karnataka Posts and Telecommunications Pensioners (2) IA&AD Pensioners Association. (3) Coffee Board Pensioners Association. Association and (4) Survey of India Pensioners Association, Bengaluru observed "International Day of Pensioners and Retirees - World Pensioners Day" on 1-10-2024 at "Pensioners Bhavan". Telecom Lavout. Bengaluru in response to the call by the National Coordination Committee of Pensioners Association (NCCPA). About 35 pensioners from the above Associations were present. Sri K B Krishna Rao, Secretary KP&TPA who is also the President **CCCGPA** presided. Sri S Radhakrishna, General Secretary, CCCGPA & Secretary, IA&AD Pensioners Association spoke about the importance of the Day. Com Juliana R Vincent, Secretary, Survey of India Pensioners Association also addressed the gathering. Sri T.V. Suryaprakash, Secretary, Coffee Board Pensioners Association & Jt. Genl Secretary, CCCGPA coordinated with all the Pensioners Associations.

Sri Krishna Rao while welcoming the gathering spoke briefly about the significance of International Pensioners Day on 1st of October and said that it is being celebrated in accordance with the call given by Sri K. Ragavendran, Secretary General, NCCPACHQ. He requested Sri S.Radhakrishna, G S, CCCGPA to enlighten the audience about the importance of World Pensioners' Day on 1st October.

Sri Radhakrishna while speaking on the subject mentioned that 1st October is being celebrated as International Elders' Day. He mentioned that according to a survey, by the year 2030, the seniors attaining age of 70 years will exceed the population of people aged below 70 years. To help senior citizens to lead a better life, like minded Pensioners Associations &Trade Unions have raised some

demands and they are (1) Decent pension to all (2) Decent health and medical care (3) Decent accommodation (4) Free transport (5) Potable water (6) Non-contributory Pension. He said that the international Pensioners day is being celebrated since four years. Last year, the conference was held at Athens (Greece) and from India Com Ragavendran and 3 others represented India. He further said that pensioners should not get confused between International Pensioners day and Pensioner day celebrated on 17th December of each year to commemorate with the date of the famous Nakra judgement delivered by the Honourable Supreme court on 17th December 1982. He concluded by saying that the above mentioned demands will be pursued strongly till justice is done.

Later, Sri Krishna Rao, spoke about NCCPA. He said that Sri Ragavendran, SG, NCCPA had asked all affiliates to observe international Pensioners Day on 1st of October every year. NCCPA has chalked out a programme of action to be followed by all affiliates to get the justified demands settled. NCCPA had called for holding demonstrations at block level, district level during September 24 and the agitation will end with a rally at New Delhi. "Parliament Chalo" is organized on 13.11.2024 and there are 15 demands mentioned in the charter. To mention some. abolishing of NPS and OPS to all, constitution of 8th CPC, Restoration of Commutation after 12 years, Revision of pension of BSNL pensioners, Notional Increment to 30th June retirees etc.

Ms Juliana Vincent, Secretary, Survey of India Pensioners Association suggested some type of plan may be worked out to get some additional amount to pensioners considering the present day economic conditions. She opined that Unified Pension Scheme (UPS) recently announced by the Government may not be helpful and we have

to demand OPS to all. She said that she considers NPS is nothing but privatization of pension and UPS is only an extended part of it. Hence both UPS and NPS must be opposed by all.

Sri M.Ramakrishna said that he leant that many officials now covered by NPS are





not willing to opt for UPS. Hence some kind of orientation programme may be conducted to educate them. Both President and Secretary informed that Government has not formulated any rules on this. Only when rules are framed and notified then only we can have a detailed discussion on the subject.





PAYMENTS TO THE ASSOCIATION

Payment of subscription for the journal "Pensioners' Champion" and Donations for the Association MADE EASY.

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OBITUARY

Sri B.S. Balappa, LM 2074 Retd. Sorting Assistant Bengaluru City RMS, expired on 27-9-2024 at the age of 80 years.

Sri R. Srinivasa, LM 3449 Retd. Sorting Assistant Bengaluru City RMS, expired on 21-10-2024 at the age of 59 years.

> The Executive Committee, KP & TPA expresses its heartfelt condolences to the members of the bereaved families.

Submission of Digital Life Certificate through the "Face Authentication Technology"

Digital Life Certificate Camps being organised during November 2024

Date	Camp Venue	Volunteers to be Contacted
3rd Nov. 2024 (Sunday) 9 AM	Sahakar Nagar Residents' Welfare AssnGanesha Temple Premises Bengaluru-560092	KRA/BN/VM/HSR/BAS/NMH/RSN/MR and Others
10 AM	AG's Office Layout- Near Poornaprajna Layout - BN Ramesh Residence, No.182, 3 rd Main, Ags Layout, Arehalli, Bengaluru 560061 (Mob: 9880596436)	TVS/VR/KN/NRA/RSN
11 AM	Pensioners Bhavan, Telecom Layout, Bengaluru 560064	KA/SNH/ C.Ramakrishna Reddy
10 AM	Mysuru: Sadvidya Educational Institutions # 7, Narayana Sastry Road, Mysuru 570024 Contact: (1) Sri P M Parameshwaraiah, President, Central Govt. Pensioners Assn. Mysuru. Mobile: 9449621314 (2) Rajashekhar, Dy. Director(Retd) PTC Mysuru: 9013348224	KA/Shivalingaiah/Rajashekar/ Prakash
4th Nov. 2024 (Monday) 10 AM	Coffee Board Layout, Hebbal, Kempapura, Bengaluru 560024 Venue: Ramamandira Temple	KRA/BN/VM/TVSP/RSNM
10 AM	Senior Citizen's Forum, 5 th Cross, Kirloskar Colony 1 st Stage, Basavesvaranagar 560079 (Coordinator: H R Shamasundar- 9986520345)	KN/Shyamsundar/VR/NRA
10 AM	Kolar, Head Post Office Premises	KA/BRND/HRS
5th Nov. 2024 (Tuesday) 10 AM	Hassan Sri Seetharama Anjaneya Temple, Park Road, Northern Extension	TVSP/KRA/BN/VM
10 AM	Mr. T M Veeraiah's House, No.02, 1st Main, Basaveshwara Layout behind Subbanna Garden,Vijayanagar, Bengaluru 560040 (Mob: 94483 94777)	KN/VR/NRA/RSNM
10 AM	Nanjanagudu : Vishwakarma Bhavana, Behind JSS College, Deveerammanahalli Badavane	Smt. Nagalakshmi, S/s Rajashekar, Prakash, Nanjundaswamy

6th Nov 2024 (Wed.)10 AM	Chikkamagaluru, Head Post Office Premises	TVSP/KRA/BN/VM/HS Rajendra
7th Nov. 2024 (Thursday) 10 AM	Shivamogga, Prasanna Ganapathi Temple Ravindranagara, Shivamogga V. Shashidhara: 9448839884	KRA/TVS/BN/VM
10 AM	Sanjayanagar: Children's Park, 4th Main, Postal Colony, Bengaluru 560094	DV/NMH
10 AM	Tumakuru State Govt. Pensioners Association, Near D C Office. Cordinator: K.V. Anantharamu :9480887347	KN/KA/HSR/NMH/MB Shivalingaiah
8th Nov. 2024 (Friday) 10 AM	P&T Quarters, Kavalbyrasandra Bengaluru 560032	VM/DV/KA
10 AM	Vidyaranyapura Residents Welfare Association	KRA/BN/HSR/BAS/NMH/MR
9th Nov. 2024 (Saturday) 10 AM	Sahakarnagar Resident Welfare Assn. Bengaluru 560092	KRA/BN/HSR/BAS/NMH/MR
10.30 AM	DRDO Township Phase-I: NGO Hall, Opposite SBI, CV Raman Nagar, BLore 560093	VM/KA/TVSP/RSNM/VR/SK/NRA
10 AM	Chitradurga HPO Premises	Smt. Nagalakshmi, S/s B.T.Chandrashekar, S.Rajashekara, D.Shivaiah
10th Nov. 2024 (Sunday) 10 AM	Smart Cerebrum Pvt Ltd. No.175, 1st Floor, Rushyashrunga Rd, Konanankunte, Bg. 62.	TVSP/VR/RSNM/NRA
10 AM	Jala Vayur Vihar, Kalyana Nagar, Bg. 43	KRA/BN/VM/KA/NMH/HSR
2 PM	Megana And Shalini Apartment No. 'M' 1505, 100 feet Ring Road, Banashankari 2nd Stage, Bengaluru 70	KN/VR/NRA
10 AM	Tirupathi	SKR
10 AM	Davanagere Head Post Office Premises	Smt. Nagalakshmi, S/s B.T.Chandrashekar, S.Rajashekara, D.Shivaiah
11th NOV. 2024 (Monday) 10 AM	Nemmadi Vishranthi Dhama No. 24, 11th Cross 'A' Road, Vaddarapalya, Andrahalli, Bengaluru 91	KRA/BN/HSR
10 AM	Vinayaka English Medium School, 1st Cross, Sreenivasanagar 2nd Block, BSK 1st Stage, Bengaluru 560050	VR/TVSP/RSNM/NRA
9 AM	RT Nagar Head Post Office, Bengaluru 32	VM/DV/NMH/KA

12th Nov. 2024 (Tuesday) 10 AM	T V Suryaprakash Residence 319, 16 th A Main Road, Jayanagar 4 th T Block, Bengaluru 560 041	TVSP/VR/RSNM/NRA
10 AM	Sai Baba Temple Premises, Vidyaranyapura, Bengaluru 560097	KRA/BN/HSR/BAS/KA/NMH
10 AM	Mr. E. Mathiyazhagan's Residence, No.142, 'A' Main, KSFC Layout, Oil Mill Road (Near KSFC Park), Lingarajapura, Bengaluru 560084	VM M.Elangovan: 9945846179
13th Nov. 2024 (Wednesday) 10.30 AM	Malathahalli – Mr. T.R Shankaramurthy's Residence No.35, (844), 8th Main,1st Cross, SK Layout, Jnanajyothi Nagar, Near Kengunte Circle, Bangalore University	KN/MBS
10.30 AM	Monica Home, Augustine Nivas 4th Crosss, Kaveri Layout, Tavarekere, Bengaluru	VR/TVSP/RSN
10.30 AM	Dementia Centre, Yelhanka	KRA/BN/HSR
3.00 PM	Palanahalli Old Age Home, Yelahanka	KRA/BN/HSR
14th Nov. 2024 (Thursday) 10 AM	Sahakarnagar Senior Citizens Welfare Association, Bengaluru 560092	KRA/BN/HSR/BAS/MR/NMH
10 A M	VLN Prabhuddhalaya – Nisarga Layout, Bannerghatta, Bengaluru 83	TVSP/VR/RSNM/NRA
15th Nov 2024 (Friday) – 9 AM	RT Nagar Head Post Office, Bengaluru 560032	VM/NMH/DV

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Notional increment for pensionery benefits to those Pensioners who had retired on 30th June / 31st December after serving for one year from the date of drawal of their last increment.

We are glad that the long pending demand of pensioners for grant of notional increment for pensionery benefits has been **accepted partially** by the Government (though subject to final outcome of the Review petition pending before the Hon'ble Supreme Court which is to be heard on 4-11-2024) owing to the strong pursuance of the demand by many Pensioners Associations, NCCPA and by the Staff Side in the NC, JCM.

We have been, through publication in our journal *Pensioners Champion*, informing our members that the Government is likely to issue a general order extending the benefit of notional increment for pensionery benefits to those who had retired just a day before the date of their next increment in view of the judgements of Hon'ble courts and assurances given by the Government in the meetings with Pensioners' Associations and the Staff Side

THE ORDER DATED 14-10-2024

The Department of Personnel & Training, the Nodal Department, in the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions, has issued an OM on 14-10-2024 advising all Departments of Govt of India to allow the increment on 1st July/1st January to the Central Govt employees who have retired or who will be retiring a day before the increment became due to them that is; for the Pensioners who have retired on 30th June or 31st December after rendering a qualifying service of one year from the date of drawal of their last increment and their next increment was due on 1st July or 1st January, which they would have drawn, but for their retirement a day before the increment was due to them.

Editors Note: qualifying service for earning an increment is 6 months in a year after implementation of 6th CPC recommendations

- (1) Though Para No.7 of DOPT OM dated 14-10-2024 does not specify the dates from which the benefit of the notional increment must be extended to pensioners, since the OM is issued in pursuance of the Hon'ble Supreme Court order dated 6-9-2024 as stated in the OM itself, the benefits might accrue in accordance with the Supreme Court order read with DOPT OM dated 14-10-2024.
- (2) The notional increment is only for revision of pension and NOT for other retirement benefits Viz. Gratuity, Leave encashment etc.

DOPT OM dated 14-10-2024 is reproduced below

Gol, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions, Department of Personnel & Training, OM No.19/116/2024-Pers.Pol.(Pay)(Pt)
Dated the 14th October, 2024.

Grant of notional increment on 1st July 1st January to the employees who retired from Central Govt. service on 30th June / 31st December respectively for the purpose of calculating their pensionary benefits.

The undersigned is directed to say that in terms of Rule 10 of the Central Civil Services (Revise Pay) Rules, 2006, notified by D/o Expenditure vide Notification No.G.S.R.622 (E) dated 29.08.2008, date of annual increment was made uniform viz. 1st July of every year with effect from 01.01.2006. It was subsequently decided vide Rule 10 (1) of the Central Civil Services (Revise Pay) Rules, 2016, notified by D/o Expenditure vide Notification No.G.S.R.721 (E) dated 25.07.2016, that there shall be two dates for grant of increment namely 1st January and 1st July of every year.

2. Hon'ble High Court of Madras in its Order dated 15.09.2017 in W.P.No.15732 of 2017-P.Ayyamperumal Vs Union of India & Ors.

allowed grant of notional increment to the petitioner on the day following the date of his retirement from service for the purpose of calculation of pensionary benefits. Judgement in the case of Shri P.Ayyamperumal was implemented in personam. Following this, D/o Personnel and Training (DOPT) received a number of representations from the employees who superannuated on 30th June/ 31st December claiming similar benefit. Large number of Court cases have also been filed before Hon'ble Administrative Tribunals, High Courts and Supreme Court on the subject matter.

3. The issue was examined in consultation with the nodal authorities concerned and with due regard to the relevant provisions in the Fundamental Rules (FRs) which regulate grant of increment to the Central Government employees. It is pertinent to note that FR 9(21) (a) defines 'pay' as the amount sanctioned to a Government servant for a post held by him substantively or in an officiating capacity or to which he is entitled by reason of his position in a cadre. FR 17 provides that subject to any exceptions specifically made in these Rules, an employee shall begin to draw the pay and allowances attached to his tenure of a post with effect from the date when he assumes the duties of that post and shall cease to draw them as soon as he ceases to discharge those duties. Further, FR 24 stipulates that an increment may be withheld from a Government servant if his conduct has not been good or his work has not been satisfactory. To summarise these Rule provisions, for availing the benefit of an increment on the date of its accrual, an employee should be in service, should have rendered satisfactory work and should have displayed good conduct during the period of qualifying service.

4. However, Hon'ble Supreme Court vide Order dated 11.04.2023 in Civil Appeal No.2471 of 2023 (@SLP (C) No.6185/2020) – Director (Admn.and HR), KPTCL Vs C.P.Mundinamani

& Ors, upheld the Orders passed by the Division Bench of the Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka at Bengaluru in Writ Appeal No.4193/2017 allowing grant of one annual increment, which the original writ petitioners earned on the last day of their service for rendering services during preceding one year from the date of retirement with good behaviour and efficiently, for the purpose of calculating the retiral benefits. However, Union of India was not among the Parties in the said case.

5. Subsequently, Hon'ble Supreme Court vide Order dated 19.05.2023 dismissed SLP(C) No.4722/2021(Uol Vs M.Siddaraj) filed by M/ o Railways on the subject matter with the observation that the appeals filed therein are squarely covered by the Order dated 11.04.2023 in CA No.2471 of 2023.M/o Railways filed a Miscellaneous Application (MA No.2400/2024) before the Hon'ble Supreme Court seeking guidance/ clarification regarding the modalities to be adopted while implementing its Order dated 19.05.2023. On 22.07.2024, while hearing the matter, Supreme Court ordered that the learned counsel for the Union of India shall examine as to whether Union of India needs to file an application in CA No.2471/2023 disposed of vide judgment dated 11.04.2023. After due legal consultations on the directions of the Apex Court, this Department filed a Petition (Dy.No.36418/2024) before Supreme Court on 12.08.2024 seeking review of its Order dated 11.04.2023 which is pending before the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

6. Meanwhile, on 06.09.2024, while hearing MA No.2400/2024 filed by M/o Railways along with several Intervention Applications tagged therewith, Hon'ble Supreme Court took note of the pending Petition (Dy.No.36418/2024) filed by Union of India seeking review of its Order dated 11.04.2023 in CA No.2471/2023 in the matter. While observing that the issue raised in the applications requires consideration insofar as the date of applicability of the judgment dated 11.04.2023 in CA No.2471/2023 to third

parties is concerned, Hon'ble Court issued following directions, by way of an Interim Order, to prevent any further litigation and confusion:

- a. The judgment dated 11.04.2023 will be given effect to in case of third parties from the date of the judgment, that is, the pension by taking into account one increment will be payable on and after 01.05.2023. Enhanced pension for the period prior to 30.04.2023 (erroneously mentioned as 31.04.2023 in the Order) will not be paid.
- b. For persons who have filed writ petitions and succeeded, the directions given in the said judgment will operate as res judicata, and accordingly, an enhanced pension by taking one increment would have to be paid.
- c. The direction in (b) will not apply, where the judgment has not attained finality, and cases where an appeal has been preferred, or if filed, is entertained by the appellate court.
- d. In case any retired employee has filed any application for intervention/ impleadment in Civil Appeal No.3933/ 2023 or any other writ petition and a beneficial order has been passed, the enhanced pension by including one increment will be payable from the month in which the application for intervention/ impleadment was filed,

This interim order will continue till further orders of this Court. However, no person who has already received an enhanced pension including arrears, will be affected by the directions in (a), (c) and (d). Relist in the week commencing 04.11.2024."

7. The matter has been examined in consultation with D/o Expenditure and D/o Legal Affairs. It is advised that in pursuance of the Order dated 06.09.2024 of the Hon'ble Supreme Court referred above, action may be taken to allow the increment on 1st July/ 1st January to the Central Government employees who retired/are retiring a day before it became due i.e. on 30th June/31st December and have

rendered the requisite qualifying service as on the date of their superannuation with satisfactory work and good conduct for calculating the pension admissible to them. As specifically mentioned in the Orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court, grant of the notional increment on 1st January/1st July shall be reckoned only for the purpose of calculating the pension admissible and not for the purpose of calculation of other pensionary benefits.

- 8. It may also be noted that these instructions are being issued in compliance of the Interim Orders dated 06.09.2024 of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in MA Dy.No.2400/2024 without prejudice to the legal stand of the Union of India in the matter and without prejudice to any change of law in this regard. Further, the action taken shall be subject to the final outcome of the Review Petition (Dy.No.36418/2024) pending before the Hon'ble Supreme Court which is expected to be heard by the Apex Court in the week commencing 04.11.2024.
- 9. This issues with the concurrence of D/o Expenditure vide their Dy.No.08- 09/2019-E.III.A(Vol.III) (3969602) dated 08.10.2024 and D/o Legal Affairs vide Computer Dy. No.E 128445 dated 30.09.2024.

Mahesh Kumar

Under Secretary to the Gol

Editors Note: The Department of Posts vide its letter dated 18-10-2024 addressed to the Heads of Circles, reproduced below has approved a course of action to be taken in this matter by the concerned authorities of the Department of Posts.

The letter states that the notional increment for pension is admissible **only to pensioners who have retired after 30-4-2023.** But it is to be noted that the Nodal Department viz. Department of Personnel & Training **has not specified** any such date in para 7 of its OM dated 14-10-2024.

The issue needs further clarification

DO Pots letter

Ministry of Communications, Department of Posts [Establishment Division/P.A.P. Section] F.No. 02-14/2020 – PAP (Part file) Dated: 18.10.2024

To Heads of Circles and Heads of all other Units (as per standard list)

Grant of notional increment on 1st July/
1st January to the employees who
retired from Central Govt. Service on
30th June/31st December respectively
for the purpose of calculating their
pensionary benefits.

Sir/Madam.

Please refer to DoPT OM No. 19/116/2024-Pers.Pol.(Pay) (Pt) dated

- 14.10.2024 (copy enclosed) whereby guidelines to deal with the cases of grant of notional increment to the officials retiring on 30th June or 31st December, as the case may be, have been issued based on the interim directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in Review Petition No. 2400/2024 and connected matter seeking review of its order dated 11.04.2023 in CA No.2471/2023.
- 2. Hon'ble Court has inter-alia issued directions that the judgement dated 11.04.2023 will be given effect to in case of third parties from the date of judgement (in CA No. 2471/2023), that is, the pension by taking into account one increment will be payable on and after 01.05.2023. Enhanced pension for the period prior to 30.04.2023 will not be paid.
- 3. On the basis of the aforesaid OM dated 14.10.2024 of the DoPT and interim directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court mentioned above, following course of action has been approved:
 - (i) The officials retiring on 30th June/31st December and have rendered the requisite qualifying service as on the date of their superannuation with satisfactory

work and good conduct will be entitled for a notional increment as on 1st July/1st December, as the case may be, for calculating the **pension** admissible to them. The notional increment will not be admissible for any other pensionary benefit. **The orders will be applicable on all the officials retired after 30.04.2023.** The payment of enhanced pension would be subject to the outcome of the above referred Review Petition of the Govt. of India.

- (ii) In respect of pending court (cases) before CAT/High Court etc., the concerned Circle will apprise about the aforementioned interim directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court as well as the orders of the DoPT for disposing of the cases accordingly.
- (iii) The individual representations of the officials, retired before the crucial date of 30.04.2023, may be disposed off accordingly.
- (iv) In case the benefit has been extended by the Tribunal/Court in individual case who have retired prior to April 30th 2023 and it has not been implemented so far, the decision of the lower court/tribunal will be challenged before the higher court.
- (v) The pending contempt petition may be contested on the basis of the aforementioned interim orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court. In appropriate cases, filing of review petition/writ petition may be considered in consultation with government counsel by filing review petition.
- (vi) Benefits granted to ex-officials prior to the issuance date of this OM shall not be recovered.

This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

Yours faithfully, **Ravi Pahwa,** Assistant Director General (GDS/PCC

OUR MEMBERS AND THEIR LAURELS Our Member Honoured by an NGO in recognition of his Social Service



Sri K. Obaiah, Retd. Senior Superintendent of Post Offices, LM 2846 (3rd from Right) was honoured by Anveshana Trust Mysuru on 30-09-2024 in recognition of his service to the community, his fight against discrimination of employees at work place, his services for the cause of welfare of his fellow employees while in service & also in recognition of his meritorious service in the Department of Posts.

VERMEIL (GOLD) Medal won by R. SOUNDARARAJAN

Our octogenarian member **Sri R Soundararajan**, LM 710 has won Gold (Vermeil) Medal in the Philatelic Exhibition Kalanchiyam@79 O E held at Thanjavur, Tamilnadu on 8-9 October 2024 on the occasion of World Post Day 2024. His exhibit theme was "World Maritime Heritage".





K P&T PA Congratulates both

ALL INDIA CONSUMER PRICE INDEX						
CPI CPI Base base 2016=100 2001=100		base	12 Months Total	Monthly average	7th CPC % increase over 261.42	DR due
June 2023	136.4	136.4 X 2.88= 393	4587	382.25	46.22	46% from July, 2023
January 2024	138.9	138.9 X 2.88= 400	4732	394.33	50.84	50% from January 2024
Aug 2024	142.6	142.6 X 2.88= 411	4830	402.50	53.96	53% from July 2024

- * Linking factor for conversion of the index numbers of 2016 base year to 2001 base year: 2.88
- * AICPI for June 2024 [likely to be published by the Dept of Labour on 30/31-7-2024] are required for computation of

I	Donation for the Building Fund - 95th List September-October 2024					
SI No.	Name Sri / Smt.	Membership No.	Amount Rs.	Receipt No.	Progressive Total of donation	
1715	R.Krishnan	502	5000	6503	145000	
1716	T.R.Narayana	1070	5000	6299	25000	
1717	P.H.Shinde	1855	5000	6290	10000	
1718	Kumuda Gopal	Well wisher	5000	5874		
1719	S.K.Shylaja	Well wisher	2000	6297		
1720	Hema.V.Rao	LM 652	2000	5875	7000	
1721	G.S.Krishnamurthy	Well wisher	1000	6502		
1722	N.C.Kikani	Well wisher	500	6289		

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SI	Name Membership Amount Receipt Progressive					
No.	Sri / Smt.	No.	Rs.	No.	Total of donation	
1	S.K.Shylaja	Well Wisher	100000	6297		
2	M.G. Somashekar	Well Wisher	500	5873		

CLEANLINESS DRIVE FROM PENSIONERS'







NOTIFICATION

Reiteration of the guidelines issued by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, CGHS and Directorate General of Health Services

With reference to the above-mentioned subject the undersigned is directed to draw attention to the terms and conditions of empanelment under CGHS and to reiterate that the Hospitals, Diagnostics/Imaging, Eye and Dental centres empanelled under CGHS shall provide better services to the CGHS beneficiaries. The following instructions are to be followed strictly by all HCOs empanelled under CGHS Bengaluru, failing which necessary action will be initiated in accordance with the MoA

- 1. Cashless CGHS facility is obligatory for Pensioners, Ex-members of Parliament, sitting Members of Parliament, Freedom Fighters, Serving CGHS/DGHS/Ministry of H&FW employees and no advance shall be collected at the time of admission.
- 2. The central government beneficiaries covered under CSMA, Beneficiaries from central autonomous bodies, public sector undertaking are also eligible for treatment at CGHS rates on payment basis.
- 3. The CGHS cards are valid all over India. Hence CGHS beneficiaries and their dependents including from other cities are eligible to avail treatment at empanelled HCO at CGHS rates. Those eligible for credit shall be given credit.
- 4. Retired Air India employees with valid CGHS cards are eligible for cashless treatment at all CGHS empanelled Health Care organizations (HCOs) and their bills are to be processed through UTI / TSL Portal.
- 5. Beneficiaries are not be charged separately towards surgical sundries like cotton gauze, catheters, masks, gloves. These are essential items and are part of package in case of surgical procedure. However, these may be billed to CGHS in medical management cases. Do not

- charge the beneficiaries separately for infection control, medical record, issue of investigation reports including image films or CDs.
- 6. Do not demand a Photocopy of the CGHS card from the CGHS beneficiaries. The CGHS card can be verified from the CGHS App or Digi locker.
- 7. When patient is admitted in emergency, there is no need of any endorsement or referral from CGHS
- 8. The stamp is not mandatory for the referral memo.
- 9. Prescription from specialist at empanelled HCO shall be in generic and must be given in printed form always. Dietary supplement/cosmetic items should not be included in the prescription.
- 10. Establish a dedicated CGHS Kiosk (Help desk).
- 11. Ensure that the names of the nodal officer with contact numbers are prominently displayed. Any changes to the nodal officer must be immediately communicated to this office.
- 12. CGHS beneficiaries aged 70 years and above shall be permitted to seek direct OPD consultation from specialist of Hospitals empanelled under CGHS without referral form CGHS Wellness Centre. The terms and condition remain same, as mentioned in OM dated 29.05.2019 and 28.06.2024.
- 13. If any LISTED test or LISTED minor procedure (not requiring admission) is advised by treating specialist at empanelled HCO after INITIAL referral from CGHS, no endorsement or referral from CGHS is required, provided the test or treatment is carried out in the same hospital within 3 months and cost of such

tests and procedures is less than Rs 3000/-However, referral from CGHS is required for procedures requiring admission, CT scan, MRI, PET CT and other investigations costing more than Rs 3000/-

14. Bills to be verified and signed by Pensioners beneficiaries at the time of discharge. The same shall be uploaded on NHA portal.

News from the Affilictes of CCCGPA

Karnataka IA&AD Pensioners Association Bengaluru held its 14th Annual general Body Meeting on 14th September, 2024 at Kondajji Basappa Auditorium, Bharat Scouts & Guides, Palace Raod, Bengaluru 560001. More than 300 members of the association and many of their family members attended the AGB. Sri A S Raghavan, IA&AD President PΑ presided. Sri S. Radhakrishna, Secretary presented the Annual Report. Elections to the Executive Committee for the years 2024-25 and 2025-26 were held. Members to the EC were elected uanilmously.

Sri Gururaja Karjagi, Well-known Educationist, Famous Writer and a great orator was the Chief Guest. In his inaugural speech, Dr Karjagi, quoting various anecdotes and recalling instances from his vast experience, advised the seniors to be active always, be

15. During emergency admission, the beneficiary should be given a reasonable time (24 hours) to produce the CGHS card.

In case of any complaint regarding excess billing/ advance payment/harassment of CGHS beneficiaries is received in this office, necessary action will be initiated as per MoA.

Additional Director, CGHS Bengaluru



Dr. Gururaj Karjagi Chief Guest honoured. To his right is S. Radhakrishna, Secretary

useful to the Society and guide the younger generation. The Association honoured the great Educationist. About 24 members who had attained 80 years during the year were honoured.



IA&AD PA EC Members and honoured Octogenarians with the Chief Guest

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