Joint Forum of BSNL-NTAL Pensioners Associations.

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To,

Com.P. Abhimanyu, General Secretary, BSNLEU, Dada Ghosh Bhawan, New Patel Nagar, New Delhi – 110 008

Dear Comrade,

As you may be aware, the issue of pension revision of the absorbed BSNL/ MTNL Pensioners due from 01-01-2017 is being dragged indefinitely, rather unnecessarily and unjustifiably despite repeated assurances by the Hon'ble Minister of Communications and DoT.

In the meeting with 17 pensioners associations held under the chairmanship of Member (Services) on 17-10-2022 DoT had made it clear that pension revision will be delinked from wage revision, revision possible only as per 3rd PRC and notional fixation on new pay scales for the post 2017 retirees to avoid anomaly.

Upon total rejection of the offer of Pension revision with zero percent fitment by all the Pensioners associations, it was assured by the DoT to modify the fitment factor in consultation with the higher authorities.

It was processed thereafter assessing the financial implications for 5%, 10% and 15% fitment. During the Meeting with Member(Finance) and Member(Services) held on 21-03-2023, it was assured that the proposal of Pension revision with higher fitment is already discussed within DOT and final decision on fitment will be taken in consultation with the Hon'ble Minister in the first week of April,2023. But nothing has happened as assured till now.

Under these situation Joint Forum of BSNL-MTNL Pensioners Associations was compelled to launch a three phased agitational program.

- (1) Black Day Demonstrations on 06th July,2023. Mass Letter Campaign to Hon'ble MOC.
- (2) Mass Dharna at District level and before the CCA offices on 31-07-2023
- (3) Five Days Dharna at Jantar Mantar New Delhi from 21st to 25th August, 2023.

We, therefore, seek the support and solidarity of your esteemed organization for successful conduct of the agitation, which became imperative in a do or die situation.

With warm regards,

Yours fraternally,

[K G Jayaraj] Convener