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K.B.Krishna Rao, Secretary of the Association, handing over the D.D for Rs. 1,60,000 to Dr. Jitendra Singh, Hon'ble Minister of State, Ministry of Personnel, PG and Pensions & MoS In Prime Minister's Office, in New Delhi on 3-2-2015.

Sri Alok Rawat, Secretary, DoP &PW to the left













- 1. K.B.Krishna Rao, handing over D.D to Dr. Jitendra Singh, MoS (PP). Sri Alok Rawat, Secretary, DoP&PW- left, Smt. Vandana Sharma, Joint Secretary, right and Smt. Tripti P Ghosh, Director (P) sitting.
- 2. Dr. Jitendra Singh, MoS (PP) addressing Members of SCOVA. Sri Alok Rawat, Secretary, DoP&PW, left
- 3. A view of the participants of 25th meeting of SCOVA. Sri K.B.Krishna Rao, Seretary, K P&T PA, 3rd from left
- 4. Some of the Members of SCOVA attending the 26th meeting of SCOVA.
- 5. Members of SCOVA and Officers of DoP & PW & other Central Govt. Departments with MoS (PP)
- 6. Members of SCOVA with MoS (PP), Jt.Secretary & Director, DoP&PW. Sri K.B.Krishna Rao, Seretary, K P&T PA, 5th from right (sitting)

Report on the 26th Meeting of the Standing Committee of Voluntary Agencies (SCOVA) held on 3rd February, 2015

The 26th meeting of the Standing Committee of Voluntary Agencies (SCOVA) organized by Government of India, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions, Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare, was held on 3rd February, 2015 under the Chairmanship of Dr. Jitendra Singh, Hon'ble Minister of State, (Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions) at Committee Room -A, Vigyan Bhavan Annex, New Delhi. The meeting, which commenced at 11-15 a.m., was well attended by almost all of the Official Representatives and the Non- official Members of SCOVA. The new Secretary, DoP & PW, Sri Alok Rawat, greeted all the Representatives.

- 2. Smt. Vandana Sharma, Joint Secretary, DoP & PW, in her brief welcome address, greeted the Hon'ble Minister and the New Secretary who was attending the SCOVA meeting for the first time. She felt that the wonderful weather prevailing outside would influence the participants and reflect in the discussions which would take place during the meeting. She said that SCOVA, under the able leadership of the Hon'ble Minister, has provided a forum and an opportunity for the Pensioners' Associations to share their views and have interactions on several issues concerning Pensioners and the Associations too have been playing useful role.
- 3. Dr. Jitendra Singh, Hon'ble Minister, in his opening remarks, addressing the participants as "My Dear Senior Colleagues" stated that his association with them has been an "educative experience" and he would not like to "sermonise" but wished to hear from all the participants so that he would be more equipped to serve better. He said that the number of Pensioners is more than the number of Serving Employees and as a consequence of improvement in medical facilities, now we have a long life span and therefore, the service of Pensioners can be utilised in Nation building activities and they can be called upon to render service in any field or capacity they would like to be involved.
- 3.1. Referring to the previous SCOVA meeting, he stated that as assured in the last meeting, the minutes were circulated among all the Members

By- K.B.Krishna Rao, Secretary who represented K P&T PA

of SCOVA and the inputs given by them were included in the minutes. He stated that after considering the fact that reimbursement of medical expenses is not allowed to Employees after their retirement and since it is the Pensioners who are in need of assistance to meet medical expenses, the Government had made some headway in that direction by increasing the Fixed Medical Allowance in last November. He listed several measures taken by the Department of Pension&PW to mitigate the hardship caused to Pensioners either in timely payment of retirement benefits or in dissemination of information on Pension Rules and Pension Procedures. Concluding his speech, he made specific reference to the Pensioners' Portal under the National e-governance plan and "Sankalp" an initiative from DoP & PW to provide a platform for the Pensioners to access opportunities available for useful interventions in the Society.

- 4. After self introduction by all the Official and Non-official Representatives, Sri K.B.Krishna Rao, Secretary, Karnataka P&T Pensioners' Association, who had earlier requested the Hon'ble Minister for permission to hand over the donation collected from the Members of his Association to the Prime Minister's National Relief Fund, was called to present the Demand Draft. Sri Rao, thanked the Hon'ble Minister and handed over to him a Demand Draft for Rs. 1,60,000/- (Rs. One lakh sixty thousand), which included the donations made to the Fund by the Members of the Association and the Association's contribution. The Secretary, All India Central Government Pensioners' Association, Pune, also presented a cheque for Rs. 25,000 as donation to PMNRF.
- 5. Sri. Shiva Gopal Mishra, Secretary, (Staff Side) JCM, welcomed the new Secretary, DoP&PW and stated that the Non- official Representatives are encouraged by the kind words of the Hon'ble Minister. He said that the Department of Pension has been doing good work by taking several pensioner friendly measures. He requested that all the items notified by the Associations must be

included in the Agenda instead of selecting only a few of them for discussion.

The Joint Secretary, DoP&PW intervened to say that the items, which could not be included in the Agenda due to time constraint, have been sent to the Departments concerned for taking necessary action in the matter. Sri Mishra, continuing his speech, made the following points.

- i) Fixed Medical Allowance must be increased to Rs. 1000/-
- The order issued in November 2014 enhancing the amount of FMA from Rs. 300/- to Rs.500/- has not been implemented by several Departments.
- iii) Many Departments are not holding Pension Adalats.
- iv) In the Ministry of Railways the Adalats must be held at DRMs level.
- v) The Hon'ble Minister must use his good offices to ensure that the issue of merger of 78.2% of IDA with pension in respect of Pre-2007 BSNL Pensioners is resolved quickly.
- vi) The DoP&PW on its part is doing a commendable job in attending to the grievances of the Pensioners.
- 6. The following Representatives of Pensioners' Associations also spoke on several other issues.
 - Colonel Handa, President, Disabled War Veterans (India): Order issued by the DoP&PW on pension matters and Fixed Medical Allowance should be implemented straightaway without the requirement of an 'endorsement' by the concerned Departments.
 - Sri S.C. Maheswari, Secretary General, Bharat Pensioners' Samaj, New Delhi: The DOP&PW is promptly updating the content of the "Pensioners' Portal' by uploading all the circulars issued by it. But, other Ministries & Departments like the Railways and Finance are not updating the information available in their websites. More attention is required to be given for redressal of grievances of Pensioners.

- Sri Y.N.Sastry, President, All India Retired Railwaymen's Federation, Secunderabad: Provisions of "Citizen's Charter Document for Department of Pension and Pensioners' Welfare" must be followed strictly.
- Sri D. Balasubramanian, General Secretary, All India Federation of Pensioners' Association, Chennai: The good gesture shown by the Hon'ble Minister in personally talking to a Family Pensioner to resolve a grievance is highly appreciable and is worth emulating.

In case of non-receipt of original PPO sent by post to a Pensioner, certified copy must be issued without insisting on filing of a police complaint.

Sri. K.B.Krishna Rao, Secretary, Karnataka P&T Pensioners' Association, Bangalore: There was abnormal delay in payment of the enhanced amount of Fixed Medical Allowance. As complained by other Representatives also, the amount has not yet been paid in several Postal Circles even after a lapse of two months from the date of issue of the relevant order by DoP&PW. The Department of Posts has issued instructions in September, 2006 requiring the pension branch of the Circle Office to act directly on the Government Orders in respect of Dearness Relief etc., supplied by the Government to them through Post, Fax, e-mail or by accessing from the website of the Pension Paying Authorities concerned without waiting for receipt of Orders from the Nodal Ministry/ Department and a suitable Officer in the Circle Office may be designated to access the DoPT website http://persmin.nic.in/ pension and send the copies to the Pension Disbursing Offices without delay. But, these instructions are not being followed and the Circle Offices seem to wait for endorsement of the Order by the Department of Posts, which is causing delay in payment of D.R. / FMA to Pensioners. Hence, it is suggested that the procedure prescribed may be further liberalised and the Heads of Postal Divisions (instead of the designated

Officer in Circle Offices) may be authorised to download the relevant Order from the website of DoP&PW and send the copies to the Head Post Offices to effect timely payment to the Pensioners.

- 7. Replying to the issues raised by the Associations, Smt. Vandana Sharma Joint Secretary, DoP&PW, stated that PPOs are being delivered to the Pensioners on the date of their retirement.
- 7.1. Sri Alok Rawat, Secretary, DoP&PW stated that the DoP&PW with a limited man power is doing its best in addressing the problems faced by the Pensioners and with a view to have better coordination at State level, a team of Officers is visiting State Head quarters to ensure proper implementation of the Orders issued by DoP&PW. He said that more attention is being given to the Pensioners in remote localities and a team of Officers would visit the State of Mizoram shortly.
- 8. Gist of Discussions on the Action Taken report on the decisions of 25th Meeting of SCOVA:

8.1. Status of issue of revised PPOs to pre-2006 Pensioners

CPAO informed that 95% of the work has been completed and about 29,000 cases are pending, mainly because of non availability of the required particulars and they hope to complete the work within three months.

The Representative of AICGPA, Pune, complained that in Maharastra Postal Circle Postal Pensioners are asked by the Director of Accounts(Postal), to approach the Head Post Offices to get their Revised PPOs. Another Representative suggested that it should be possible to download the revised PPOs from the Website of the respective Departments.

When the issue of corrigendum PPOs by the Ministry of Defence was discussed, it was pointed out by the Pensioners' Associations that several Civilian Defence Pensioners are yet to get their corrigendum PPOs and they quoted a case of a Civilian Defence Pensioner, aged 93 years in Bangalore, who is yet to get his Revised PPO.

Intervening, the Hon'ble Minister stated that the help of Representatives of Pensioners'

Associations may be sought to complete the long pending issue.

8.2 Health Insurance Scheme for Pensioners including those residing in non-CGHS areas.

The Official Representative of Ministry of Health informed that on the suggestion of the Planning Commission, the EFC Memo has been recast and submitted to IFA.

8.3 CGHS facilities to P&T Pensioners who were not participating in CGHS while in service

Representatives of Pensioners' Assns., who spoke on the issue requested that the issue be considered on humanitarian grounds and all DoP & DoT Pensioners be extended CGHS facilities and all the remaining P&T Dispensaries be merged with CGHS. The Hon'ble Minister said that the points made have been taken note of and advised the concerned Officials to keep in touch with the Associations and inform them of the developments in the matter.

8.4. Anomaly in fixation of pension of DoT employees absorbed in BSNL, who retired between 1-10-2000 and 31-7-2001.

Smt. Vandana Sharma, Joint Secretary, DoP&PW informed that this issue has been pending since a long time and DoP&PW held two meetings with the DoT Officials on 29-9-2014 and again on 30-12-2014 and some requisite details called for from DoT are still awaited. Pensioners' Associations urged that the issue should be resolved quickly since the Pensioners are getting old. The Hon'ble Minister hoped that the issue gets resolved at least before the next meeting of SCOVA.

8.5. Merger of 78.2% of IDA with basic pension of Pre-2007 BSNL Pensioners

Officials of DoT informed that a Cabinet Note has been prepared and put up for approval of the Minister of Communications and I.T. Pensioners' Associations voiced their displeasure over the inordinate delay in settling the genuine demand of BSNL Pensioners. The Secretary DoP&PW and the MoS(PP) intervened to say that the issue needs to be resolved on top priority basis. The DoT Official, replying to a query said that the matter will be settled within one month.

8.6. Grant of Grade Pay of Rs. 4,600 to pre-2006 pensioners of S-12 grade.

Joint Secretary, DoP&PW informed that the Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, has sought to re-examine the issue and the relevant file was sent to the DoE on 22-1-2015 and the issue is under examination by the DoE.

8.7 Extension of the benefit of OM dated 28-1-2013 with effect from 1-1-2006 instead of 24-9-2012.

Joint Secretary DoP&PW stated that the matter is 'sub judice' and the case is listed for hearing in the Supreme Court on 17-2-2015 and therefore, nothing much could be done at this stage and DoP&PW has to go by the advice of the Law Ministry. The Secretary (Staff side) National Council, JCM, Sri Shiv Gopal Mishra and Pensioners' Representatives appealed to the Hon'ble Minister (PP) to take up the issue with the Law Minister to ensure early resolution of the grievance of pre-2006 Pensioners.

8.8. Extension of CGHS facilities to retired BSNL Employees.

Sri K.B.Krishna Rao, Secreatry, K P&T PA stated that the Order dated 9-1-2014 of the Ministry of Health & FW, extending CGHS facilities to BSNL retirees, has not yet been circulated to all concerned. Contribution to be paid by the BSNL Pensioners for getting a CGHS card and their ward entitlement for inpatient treatment has not yet been fixed. The official Representative of DoT said that the matter is under examination. The Joint Secretary DoP &PW remarked that the issue must be settled within one month.

9. Discussions on Fresh Items of the Agenda for 26th meeting of SCOVA.

9.1. Simultaneous issue of Orders for release of DA/DR.

Sri. V.K.Singh, Director, Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, stated that the Order on Dearness Relief for Pensioners has to be issued by DoP&PW. However, to ensure simultaneous issue of Orders, Cabinet note on the subject may be marked to DoP&PW for taking further action in the matter.

9.2. Co-authorisation of Family Pension of

permanently disabled children/dependent parents and permanently disabled siblings

This has already been allowed by the CPAO in respect of Central Govt. Pensioners. A similar benefit must be extended by the Railway and Defence Ministries to their Pensioners. Ministries of Railways and Defence were requested to issue follow-up Orders.

9.3. Provision of CGHS facility for life time to dependent disabled /mentally retarded children of Central Government Employees/Pensioners even after their marriage

Sri K.B.Krishna Rao, secretary, K P&T PA stated that this item was given by K P&T PA for inclusion in the Agenda and sated that since such disabled /mentally retarded children of CG Employees/Pensioners have now become eligible for family pension for life, even after their marriage by an amendment to CCS (Pension) Rules introduced in Jan 2013, on the same analogy, CGHS facilities must also be given to them. He requested that the matter may be considered sympathetically.

Dr. Jitendra Singh, Hon'ble Minister (PP) termed the request as a "legitimate demand" and asked the Official Representatives of the Ministry of Health to consider the request and to keep in touch with K P&T PA which has given the item for discussion, if any other details are required for examining the issue.

- 10. Summing up the discussions, Sri Alok Rawat, Secretary, DoP&PW stated that there are 53 lakh Central Government Pensioners, whereas serving employees number 30 lakh. DoP&PW is making every endeavour to address their grievances. The Department is taking special interest in reaching out to Pensioners in the remote corners of the Country. He advised the Pensioners to link their mobile phone numbers and Aadhaar numbers with their Bank Accounts. He said that all Departments would be reminded to post Orders issued by them on their Websites and they would be requested to review the Grievance Redressal Mechanism followed by them to make it more effective.
- 11. Dr. Jitendra Singh, Hon'ble Minister(PP) in his concluding remarks stated that the Officers of DoP&PW are doing extra work and are making

sincere efforts to rise to the expectation of the Pensioners. He said that sensitization level has increased over successive SCOVA meetings. He had special words of praise for Smt. Vandana Sharma, Joint Secretary, DOP&PW, when he said that she is very Diligent, Honest and Sincere and her devotion to duty is worth emulating.

Smt. Sharma was given an ovation by all those present in the meeting hall.

Continuing his speech, Dr. Singh, requested the Pensioners' Associations to have regular interactions with CGHS, DoT, BSNL and

other Departments to ensure proper resolution of their grievances. He also requested the Secretary, DoP&PW to widen the spectrum of his interaction with other Departments and State Governments. He concluded his speech by saying that "While DoP&PW is the nodal Department for Pension regulation, it is the responsibility of the Department from which the Pensioner had retired to ensure prompt settlement of the grievance and therefore, inter Departmental interactions assumes importance".

The meeting ended at 01-45 p.m.

Charitable Function by K P&T PA:

By- S.M.Vittal Rao, Auditor, K P&T PA

Under the auspices of the Karnataka P&T Pensioners' Association, a charitable function was arranged on Friday the 6th February, 2015 in Government Primary School, 4th Phase, Yelahanka New Town, Bangalore for its students. Sri K.B. Krishna Rao, Secretary, K P&T PA presided over the meeting held on the occasion. S/s. M.Vittal Rao, Auditor, K.R. Anantha Ramu, Treasurer, M.S.Krishnamurthy, A.Kanagamani, M.Nanjunde Gowda, and B.L.Channappa, all Executive Committee Members, were present. Students and all the Teaching Staff of the School including the Head Master, Sri H.Krishnappa, Teachers, Smt.N.Vasanthakumari, Smt. B.L.Shobha, Smt. J.Gangavathamma, Smt. S. F. Asuntha and Sri K.Prasannakumar graced the occasion.

The function commenced with an invocation rendered by the students of the School. Sri H.Krishnappa, Head Master, welcomed the Representatives of KP&TPA and appreciated the gesture of the Association in arranging a charitable function in the School in aid of the students.

Sri K.B.Krishna Rao, Secretary K P&T PA in his speech, in a simple language, advised the students to concentrate on their studies, to be disciplined, obedient and to respect their Teachers & Parents which would mould them into becoming good citizens of the State.

A cake brought by the Association was cut by a few students and distributed to all those present. Note Books, Ball point pens, and Fruits were distributed among the students by the Members of the Executive Committee on behalf of the Association.

A few groups of students exhibited their skills in singing and dancing. Their performance was applauded by the Audience. Each one of the participants was given a gift.

The Head Master, proposing vote of thanks, said that he was thankful to K P&T PA for the concern shown by it in the well-being of the students of his school and for distributing reading and writing materials to them. He hoped that the Association would continue to extend help to the students in the years to come.

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Action Taken Report on the decision of the 25th meeting of Standing Committee of Voluntary Agencies (SCOVA) held on 5.9.2014 under the chairmanship of Hon'ble MoS (PP)

Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions (Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare)

Issue raised in 25th SCOVA meeting

Gist of Decision taken in the 25th SCOVA meeting

1. SI.No. 1 of ATR

Status of issue of revised PPOs to pre-2006 pensioners.

(a) CPAO informed that as on date approximately 38,000 cases were pending for revision. Out of these, 27,000 cases belong to pre-1990 retirees. Despite several efforts, no further information was coming forth in respect of the pre-1990 PPOs. CPAO informed that they have approached Banks and Pensioners to obtain the missing information. CPAO was advised to hold meetings with individual Ministries and sort out cases issue wise so that solutions could be worked out and the pendency brought down to zero.

Follow up Action

CPAO

Status of revised PPOs to pre-2006 Pensioners as on 7.1.2015 is as under:

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Minis/	Total	Revised	PPOs yet		
Depts	cases	authority	to be		
		issued by	revised		
		Deptt.			
Civil Min/	4,31,167	3,99,396	31,771		
Deptts					

Revised PPOs in physical form have been issued by various Ministries/Departments and subsequently authority letters have been issued by CPAO to Banks. Difficulties are being faced to revise the remaining cases, by various Ministries/Departments, since service records or mandatory information like pay scales, last pay drawn, qualifying service etc., of the Pensioners are not available. CPAO is, however, providing all possible assistance to facilitate PAOs so that remaining cases could also be finalised by respective Ministries/Departments.

Ministry of Railways

(b) Ministry of Railways informed that as

on date approximately 26,690 cases were pending which was very good progress when compared with the pendency at the time of the previous SCOVA meeting.

It was stated by one Pensioners' Association that PPO signing powers should be with lower officers and not centralized as a part of systemic correction.

The status of revision of PPOs as on 16.1.2015 is as under:

Total cases	Revised authority issued by Deptt.	PPOs yet to be revised
9,48,260	9,48,260	Nil

As regards delegation of PPO signing authority to field units is concerned, it is stated that a centralised application has been developed on Railways for all pension related activities. This envisages online issue of submission of e-PPO to the Banks and the matter is under examination in consultation with the Banks. There will be no physical scenario and thus no attendant delays will be involved. Hence no change in existing system is considered desirable for the present.

Department of Posts

c) Improvement indicated by Department of Posts was quite significant. However, some of the Pensioners' Associations stated that large number of Pensioners in the State of Maharashtra, West Bengal and in Madhya Pradesh circles have till date not received the revised PPOs copies. On detailed discussion, it emerged that though pension had been revised hard copies of corrigendum PPOs have not been issued to Pensioners. Department of Posts will further investigate the matter and ensure that hard copies are made available to Pensioners.

All circles of D/o Posts have already issued confirmatory certificates about completion of revision of PPOs of pre-2006 Pensioners. However, all the Postal Accounts Offices were requested to complete revision of PPOs, if any, without delay vide this Department letter dated 30.9.2014 and reminder dated 28.10.2014.

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Further a DO letter at the level of DDG (PAF) dtd 4.12.2014 was also issued to expedite the work

The status of revision of PPOs as on 31.12.2014 is as under:

Total cases	Revised authority issued by Deptt.	PPOs yet to be revised
1,79,407	1,58,876	20,531

D/O. Telecommunications

Status of revised PPOs to pre-2006 as on 31.12.2014 is as under:

d) Department of Telecommunications informed that approximately 7637 PPOs were pending and the reasons for the pending PPOs was that the old records were not traceable. These Pensioners could not also be contacted.

	Revised authority issued by Deptt.	PPOs yet to be revised
53,126	51,881	1245

3. Health Insurance Scheme for Pensioners including those residing at non-CGHS areas.

Planning Commission has suggested recasting of the EFC Memo. The Ministry of Health intimated that the Ministry of Health will submit the revised EFC Memo within two weeks.

(Action: Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, DoPPW)

Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

The EFC Memo is being re-cast.

6. CGHS Facility to Pensioners

- **6. (a)** The orders of Ministry of Health reiterating that all the Pensioners are at liberty to opt themselves with any of the nearest CGHS Hospital/Dispensary may be widely circulated. Arbitrary orders dated 1.8.1996 and 1.9.1996 issued by M/o of Health and Director of CGHS may be withdrawn and the benefit of CGHS facilities be allowed to the Pensioners of D/o Posts and D/o Telecom.
- b) Medical facilities for existing P&T Pensioners.

Ministry of Health informed that the matter was still sub-judice. It was suggested that Ministry of Health may reconsider this issue to see that there is no discrimination among the Employees/

Pensioners from the various Departments of the Central Government.

(Action: Ministry of Health & Family Welfare)

M/o Health and Family Welfare

As per this Ministry's OM No. 11011/46/95-CGHS Desk.II/CGHS(P) dt. 1.8.1996, Post and Telegraph Pensioners who were members of CGHS Scheme prior to retirement, were allowed to transfer their CGHS cards from one CGHS covered city to another. However, the P&T Pensioners who were not participating in CGHS while in service were not extended this facility. Matter is sub-judice in the Apex Court.

7. Anomaly in fixation of pension to DoT employees absorbed in BSNL, who retired between 1.10.2000 and 31.7.2001.

DoT informed that the BSNL is collecting the requisite information sought by DoP&PW from Corporate Offices of BSNL/MTNL. It was decided that the matter may be discussed in a meeting between DoP&PW and DoT to find a solution to the issue.

(Action: D/o Telecom & Dop&PW)

D/o Telecom

DoP&PW vide its I.D. note dated 28.2.2014 sought some information from D/o Telecom. As the information was not available with D/o Telecom, BSNL Corporate Office/MTNL Corporate Office were asked to furnish the information.

So far, BSNL has not furnished the information and a reminder dated 19.1.2015 has been issued to BSNL in this regard.

DoP&PW

In this regard, two meetings were held with the officials of D/o Telecom on 29.9.2014 and 30.12.2014. In both the meetings, DoT was aksed to furnish the requisite details. Thereafter, a number of reminders were also sent to D/o Telecom in this regard. Reply from D/o Telecom is awaited.

8. Merger of 78.2% IDA with basic pension benefit to the absorbed BSNL Pensioners.

DoP&PW has already conveyed it's 'no objection' to the proposal. Department of Expenditure intimated that they will send their comments to DoT within a week.

(Action: D/o Telecom & Department of Expenditure)

A proposal from D/o Telecom was examined in D/o Expenditure and comments/ views of D/o Expenditure have been conveyed to DoT vide OM dtd. 15.10.2014.

D/o Telecommunications

DoP&PW has conveyed its 'no objection' and Department of Expenditure has also agreed to the proposal subject to the approval of Cabinet. Accordingly, Cabinet Note has been prepared and put up for approval of MoC & I.T.

9. Extension of benefit of upgraded Grade Pay to pre-2006 retirees of S-12 grade.

The matter is sub-judice.

(Action: D/o Expenditure & DoP&PW)

D/o Expenditure

Certain grievances on the same issue have been received from Shri K. Srinivasan. The issue is being considered by D/o Expenditure. However, since the matter is sub-judice, DoP&PW has been requested to provide the details of the cases on this issue, their present status and the submission by DoP&PW so that the issue may be re-examined comprehensively.

DoP&PW

In the last SCOVA meeting it was informed that Karnataka High Court in order dtd. 6.3.2014 directed that the order dtd. 8.3.2013 of CAT in OA No. 2321/2012 may be compiled with in the event of SLP No 36148-50/2013 were to be dismissed. Order dtd 8.3.2013 in OA No. 253/12 of CAT, Bangalore Bench reproduced operative part of the order dtd 1.11.2011 CAT. Pr. Bench in OA No. 655/2010 directed the respondents to re-fix pension. Apparently, the direction was for re-fixation of pension in terms of order dt. 1.11.2011 of CAT, Pr. Bench and there seems to be no direction to allow the benefit of Grade Pay of Rs. 4600. The SLP 36148-50/2013 is pending for hearing on 17.2.2015.

The D/o Expenditure has sought to examine the issue again. The relevant file has been forwarded to D/o Expenditure on 22.1.2015.

10. Extension of benefit of OM dt. 28.1.2013 w.e.f. 1.1.2006 instead of 24.9.2012.

The matter is sub-judice. Secretary(P) mentioned that as and when the Hon'ble Supreme Court decides the pending SLP, the Orders of

Hon'ble Supreme Court will be implemented.

(Action: DoPPW)

DoP&PW

Instructions have been issued to concerned Ministries/Departments to implement the order 15.5.2014/1.11.2011 of CAT, Pr. Bench New Delhi in respect of petitioners in OA 655/2010 only.

Law Ministry had advised to await outcome of SLP No. 36148-50/2013 before deciding in respect of other pre 2006 pensioners. The SLP no 36148-50/2013 pending for hearing on 17.2.2015.

15. (25.6)

Extension of CGHS facilities to retired BSNL employees-Issue of follow up order by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare & fixation of rates of contribution & ward entitlement by DoT.

Ministry of Health and Family Welfare intimated that the orders extending the CGHS facilities to retired BSNL employees drawing pension from the Government were already issued on 9.1.2014. Pensioner Association requested that Ministry of Health and Family Welfare may circulate the OM dtd 9.1.2014 to all concerned, expecially to the CGHS, and supply a copy of the OM to the Pensioners' Associations under SCOVA. The item may be closed.

Pensioners' Association mentioned that in CGHS, monthly contribution is fixed on the basis of Grade Pay and ward entitlement on the basis of Pay in Pay Band. As there is no element of "Grade Pay" and "Pay in Pay Band" in IDA pay scales the Department of Telecom/Ministry of Health and Family Welfare should evolve criteria in respect of BSNL retirees regarding monthly contribution and ward entitlement

(Action: M/o Health and Family Welfare, Department of Telecom)

M/o Health and Family Welfare

Orders have been issued vide letter Z.15025/36/2006-CGHS-III(Part-I) 9.1.2014

D/o. Telecom

The matter is being taken up with Ministry Health and Family Welfare

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Form IV

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I, N. Bhaskaran, hereby declare that the particulars given above are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Bangalore Sd/- (N. Bhaskaran) 27-02-2015 Publisher

BSNL IDA Order

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.

(O.M. No. W-02/0002/2014-DPE(WC) - GL-I/15 of Government of India, Ministry of Heavy Industries, Public Enterprises, Department of Public Enterprises, New Delhi dated 5.1.2015

In modification of this Departmen's O.M. of even No. dated 9.10.2014, 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: 1.1.2015
- b) Averae AICPI (2001=100) for the quarter Sept. 2014 Nov. 2014

 September, 2014
 253

 October, 2014
 253

 November, 2014
 253

 Average of the quarter
 253

c) Link Point: 126.33 (as on 1.1.2007)

d) Increase over link point: 126.67 (253 minus 126.33)

- e) Revised DA Rate w.e.f. 1.1.2015: 100.3% [(126.67 ÷ 126.33) x 100]
- 2) The above rate of DA ie. 100.3% 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
- 3) 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.

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DoPT Order

Inclusion of elgible Officers who are due to retire before the likely date of vacancies, in the panel for promotion.

(O.M. No. 22011/1/2014-Estt(D) dated 14.11.2014 of Government of India Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions (Department of Personnel and Training)

The undersigned is directed to invite reference to the Department of Personnel and Training Office Memorandum No. 22011/4/98-Estt(D) dated October 12, 1998 regarding cosideration of retired employees who were within the zone of consideration in the relevant year(s) but are not actually in service when the DPC is being held. The said OM provides as follows:-

"..... There is no specific bar in the aforesaid Office Memorandum dated April 10, 1989 or any other related instructions of the Department of Personnel and Training for consideration of retired employees, while preparing year-wise panel(s), who were within the zone of consideration in the relevant year(s). According to legal opinion also it would not be in order if eligible employees, who were within the zone of consideration for the relevant year(s) but are not actually in service when the DPC is being held, are not considered while preparing year wise zone of consideration/panel and, consequently, their juniors are considered (in their places), who would not have been in the zone of consideration if the DPC(s) had been held in time. This is considered imperative to identify the correct zone of consideration for

relevant year(s). Names of the retired officials may also be included in the panel(s). Such retired officials would, however, have no right for actual promotion. The DPC(s) may, if need be, prepare extended pane(s) following the principles prescribed in the Department of Personnel and Training Office Memorandum No. 22011/8/87-Estt.(D) dated April 9, 1996.

- 2. Appointment Committee of Cabinet has observed that DPCs often do not consider such eligible officers who are retiring before the occurrence of the vacancy in the panel year. These undesirable trends negate the very purpose of the above said Office Memorandum No. 22011/4/98-Estt(D) dated October 12, 1998 and it is also against the principle of natural justice.
- 3. All the Ministries/Departments are therefore advised to ensure strict compliance of the instructions of the Department of Personnel & Training issued vide this Department's O.M. No. 22011/4/98-Estt(D) dated October 12, 1998.
- 4. These instructions may please be brought to the notice of all concerned including attached and subordinate offices.

Remittances to Karnataka P&T Pensioners' Association

- 1. Remittances should be made by crossed cheques only payable to Karnataka P&T Pensioners' Association and sent to Sri. K.R.Anantha Ramu, Treasurer, K P&T PA, 1158, 7th Main, 7th Block, HMT Layout, Vidyaranyapura, Bangalore-560 097.(Phone No. 23642466)
- 2. Cheques should not be made payable to the Secretary or the treasurer by their names
- 3. Name and membership No. should be furnished on the back side of the cheque
- 4. Remittances should not be made either to the President or the Secretary

All communications to the Association including non-receipt of journal and change of address should be addressed to :

Sri K.B. Krishna Rao, Secretary

Karnataka P&T Pensioners' Asociation, 165, 4th Main, 3rd Block, 3rd Stage, Basaveshwaranagar, Bangalore-560 079. Ph.: 080-23230545

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PB-3/PB-4 Case

(OA-971/2012, MA-1644/2014 with OA-789/2013, & OA-4130/2013---- OAs Dismissed by CAT Principal Bench, Delhi ---- Order Pronounced on: 28.01.2015.)

A few paragraphs of the Order are extracted below for the information of our Members, some of whom are Applicants in the case

- 2. The Applicants are retired officers of the Government of India. Prior to their retirement, they were drawing pay in different pay scales, such as, S-12, S-19 and S-22 as per recommendations of 5th Central Pay Commission (CPC)......The 6th CPC also in its report had recommended that those working in scales S-24 to S-27 be placed in PB-3 along with those working in scales S-19 to S-23. However, subsequently, those working in scales S-24 to S-27 were shifted to PB-4, resulting in phenomenal and disproportionate increase in salaries and pensions of such persons.
- 3. The contention of the Applicants is that for undisclosed and unexplained reasons and in clear disregard of unambiguous recommendations of 6th Pay Commission, the respondents have extended undue benefit to those working in the scales S-24 to S-27
- 4. The contention of the Applicants is that the Committee of Secretaries has tinkered with the recommendations of Pay Commission to extend undue benefits to those working in S-24 to S-27 by shifting them from PB-3 to PB-4.
- 18. We have considered the submissions of both sides and have perused the material on record. The grievance of the Applicants is that employees working in grades S-24 to S-27 and above have been granted huge jump in their emoluments and pensions whereas the applicants have not been given the same. It is note worthy that the grievance does not arise from inadequate compensation granted to the Applicants. It has arisen because certain group of employees has got benefit much more than them in percentage terms. They are, therefore, seeking parity in percentage increase with those working in grades S-24 to S-27 and above. This parity is being sought with those who were admittedly in higher grades as compared to the Applicants. The respondents have stated that seeking parity with

seniors was unheard of. In our opinion, even though this may not be a case of seeking parity of pay scales, same principles would apply to this case as are applied while considering cases of equal pay for equal work.

- 19. In the instant case, it is admitted position that Applicants are much junior to those with whom they are seeking parity namely those working in S-24 and higher grades. Such incumbents would be having different nature of duties and responsibilities, would be different in experience level, would have come through different methods of recruitment/appointment and would be discharging different duties altogether. In fact, the Applicants themselves are not homogenous group working in different grades, having different qualification and experience etc. As such, their claim for parity with those in S-24 to S-27 grades is not sustainable.
- 20. In their reply, the respondents have also stated the circumstances under which it had become necessary to tinker with the report of the Pay Commission and place S-24 to S-27 in PB-4 instead of PB-3 resulting in jump in their benefits. The respondents have also asserted that Pay Commission is a recommendatory body and it is not incumbent on the Government to accept its recommendations in toto, and that they have a right to modify the same before implementation wherever considered necessary for administrative reasons or otherwise. This contention of the respondents has not been disputed by the Applicants themselves. We also find merit in the same.

21. In view of the above, we find that there is no merit in this O.A. and the

Sri N.Nanjundaiah, LM-779, Retd. Lecturer, PTC Mysore expired on 9-10-2014 at the age of 74 years. He leaves behind his wife, a son and two daughters.

Sri V.P.Munirathnam, LM-1014, retired APM, Bangalore GPO expired on 31-1-2015 at the age of 78 years. He leaves behind his wife, 2 sons and 3 daughters.

Our heartfelt condolences to the bereaved.

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COORDINATION COMMITTEE OF

CENTRAL GOVERNMENT PENSIONERS' ASSOCIATIONS, KARNATAKA (R)

(Regd. under the Karnataka Societies Registration Act 1960: Regn. No. 1070/98-99)

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S. Radhakrishna General Secretary

O.M. Bhaskaran Treasurer

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Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS), Bangalore, celebrates 40th year of its inception

Central Government Health Scheme, which came into inception on 16-2-1976 in Bengaluru, has completed 39 years of its useful, Beneficiary friendly and successful functioning and has entered its 40th year of inception. To mark the joyous occasion, a beautiful function was held in the "Shruthi Auditorium", Kendriya Sadan, housing the office of the Additional Director, CGHS, in Koramangala, Bengaluru on 16th February, 2015.

The celebrations commenced at 3 p.m. Sri Umesh Chandra Biradar, Senior Regional Director Regional Office for Health & FW was the Chief Guest. Dr. Vatsala, Additional Director, CGHS, presided over the function. All the CMOs in-charge of CGHS Wellness Centres, Polyclinic their staff were present. Sri N.C. Rajeevalochan, General Secretary, CGHS Employees Union, Sri P.S.Prasad, Gen.Sey. Confederation of Central Govt. Workers, Employees & Karnataka, Sri. K.B.Krishna Chairman. Rao. Sri S.Radhakrishna General Secretary. Coordination Committee of Central Government Pensioners' Associations. Karnataka. Sri N.Bhaskaran, Sri B.Sadashiva Rao and Sri M.Ramiah, Veterans of Pensioners' Movement also attended the celebrations. A host of former employees of CGHS, Bangalore, some of whom were in service on the day of its inception, graced the occasion.Dr. Kishore Kumar, CMO (HQRS) welcomed the gathering. The Dignitaries on the Dias lighted the lamp to inaugurate the celebrations. Sri K.B.Rudresh Swamy compered the programme.

Several speakers, including the present and former Members of Staff of CGHS, addressed the gathering. The Chief guest, Dr.Biradar, Dr. M. Revathi, President, IMA CHS, Dr. N.R.Surseh, Dr. K.H.S. Rao, Dr.R.P. Joshi,

Dr.Padma, and Sri Rajendran, former Administrative Officer, CGHS, among others, shared their experience in CGHS and stated that the CGHS Bangalore has earned the reputation of being the 'number one' in providing the best possible, hassle free, Health Care facility to its Beneficiaries and they are proud of serving in CGHS, Bengaluru.

Sri N.Bhaskaran, veteran P&T Trade Union Leader, Sri P.S.Prasad of Confederation, Sri K.B.Krishna Rao & S.Radharakrishna of CCCGPA, Sri N.C. Rajeevalochan of CGHS Employees Union, in their speeches referred to several issues concerning CGHS Beneficiaries, empanelment of Private Hospitals under CGHS and the proposed Health Insurance Scheme for Serving and Retired Central Government Employees. They had words of praise for the Doctors, Staff and the Additional Director and said that CGHS Bangalore has been providing very good service to its Beneficiaries.

Dr. Vatsala. Additional Director, CGHS in her speech thanked all the Doctors and the Staff for bringing laurels to CGHS, Bengaluru, through their hard work and devotion to duty. She thanked all the Beneficiaries, Service Unions and Pensioners' Associations for extending full cooperation in the effective functioning of CGHS. She said that efforts are being made to ensure that some more Private Hospitals seek empanelment. She appealed to the Beneficiaries to utilize the Health care services available in Govt. Hospitals, many of which also have good infrastructure, modern medical equipments & expertise in providing quality medical treatment.

Mementos were presented to some of the serving and retired CGHS employees to cherish the memory of the event. Sri D.A. Thyagaraj, of CGHS Wellness Centre No.5, proposed vote of

thanks and later entertained the audience by singing a few melodious songs in different languages. The celebrations ended after a cultural programme.

Bimonthly meeting of Retired Railway Officers' Association, Bengaluru

Retired Railway Officers' Association held its bi monthly meeting on 7th Feb, 2015 at CAO/Construction, South Western Railway Officers Guest House, No. 18, Millers Road, Bengaluru. On invitation from the Assn., Sri K.B.Krishna Rao, Chairman, Coordination Committee of Central Government Pensioners' Associations, Karnataka, attended the meeting which was presided by Sri Arun Bhagra, President of the Association. Sri P.V.R.Murthy, Secretary, welcomed the gathering and requested Sri K.B.Krishna Rao to address the Members of the Association.

Sri. K.B.Krishna Rao, in his speech

narrated the efforts made by Sri N Bhaskaran, former General Secretary, CCCGPA in ensuring submission of a Common Memorandum to the 7th Central Pay Commission. He stated that CCCGPA, in its note submitted to Bharat Central Pensioners Confederation (BCPC), concentrated on core issues like Pension, Family Pension, Age-related Additional Pension/Family Pension, Complete parity in Pension & Health care to pensioners and said that almost all the issues/ items suggested by CCCGPA were included in the Common Memorandum submitted by BCPC to the 7th CPC. He gave an account of the demands included in the Common Memorandum and of the demands specific to the Railway Pensioners. Information sought for by one Member on parity in pension and another on entitlement of children of pensioners for Family pension was furnished to them by Sri Rao.

The meeting ended at 1 p.m. after vote of thanks proposed by Sri. P V R Murthy.

Legal Matters

1. Modified parity in pension- implementation of DoP&PW OM dated 28-1-2013 from 1-1-2006.

- (a) OA 655/2010 , Contempt petition No.158/2012 of CAT, MA 2381/2014 of Principal Bench Delhi The case which came up for hearing on 6-2-2015 was adjourned to 2-3-2015
- (b) SLP 36148-50 of 2013 Connected with Civil Appeal No. 8875-8876 of 2011 before the Supreme Court- listed in supplimentary list- Part B- "Final Disposal Matter" of court No. 2 on 20-2-2015 adjourned to 17.3.2015.

2. PB 3/PB 4 Case

OA No. 4130/2013 before CAT Principal Bench, New Delhi--- Dismissed on the grounds of there being "No Merit in the OA" --- Extract of a few paras of the order in page-13

3. Grant of full pension to pre-2006 Pensioners who had retired with 20 years of qualifying service

OA 1165/2011, OA 2165/2011 and OA 247/2012: Came up for hearing on 29-1-2015 Adjourned to 23-2-2015

4. BSNL

Anomaly in fixation of pay of BSNL employees who retired between 1-10-2000 and 31-7-2001 ie. within 10 months of formation of BSNL

O.A.NO.2173/2014 before CAT, Principal Bench, Delhi. Came up for hearing in Principal Registrar's Court on 11-2-2015, listed under "completion of pleadings". Adjourned to 21-4-2015.

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DONATIONS TO PRIME MINISTER'S NATIONAL RELIEF FUND

Kar	nataka Posts ar	Rs	s.13352					
	Members who have donated Rs.10,000 and above							
SI. No.	Membership No. LM/ALM	Name Smt./Sri	Amount	SI. No.	Membership No. LM/ALM	Name	Amount (Rs.)	
1	498	M.R.Revankar	11111	4	1523	G.L.Ramachandra	10001	
2	1024	R.Balaji Singh	10001	5	1753	G.A.Brahmadeva	10001	
3	1083	H.V.Ramanatha	10001					

Consolidated list of Members who have donated to the Prime Minister's National Relief Fund, including those who have donated Rs.10,000 & above

SI. No.	M.No. LM/ALM	Name Smt./Sri	Amount	SI. No.	M.No. LM/ALM	Name Smt./Sri	Amount (Rs.)
1	3	M. Ramaiah	1010	27	589	M.V.Nanjunda Rao	1000
2	4	B.Sadashiva Rao	1100	28	644	Attavar Yoganand	1010
3	35	N.Bhaskaran	1010	29	654	S.D.Sahane	1000
4	48	S.M.Vittal Rao	1001	30	676	H.C.Keshava Murthy	2000
5	58	G.V.Jagannath	1000	31	687	B.K.Gundu Rao	1000
6	67	H.Rama Kamath	1000	32	706	Smt.Kamala Vijayan	2000
7	68	V.Nagabhushan Rao	500	33	761	K.G.Shetty	500
8	69	K.S.Ranganatha	500	34	780	R.D.Sahane	500
9	79	Abdul Jabbar	500	35	796	Shantha Venugopalan	500
10	106	A.Aithappa Naik	1000	36	805	C.R.Prabhakara	2200
11	129	T.V.Srinivasa Murthy	2000	37	808	Bhaskara Bhatt	1001
12	135	M.S.Krishna Murthy	1001	38	816	C.S.Parthasarathy	1000
13	201	D.Lakshminarayana Rao	501	39	818	A.N.Srinivasa Murthy	1000
14	210	M.L.Kulkarni	500	40	838	B.L.Channappa	1500
15	305	B.R.Rao	500	41	863	M.K.Raghavendra Rao	1000
16	375	M.N.Shenvi	5001	42	867	B.N.Malleshappa	501
17	409	R.Vaikunta Raju	500	43	870	G.K.Rukmangada	500
18	436	K.Chidambareswaran	1000	44	918	R.K.T.Shastri	500
19	442	M.S.Venkararamaiah	1000	45	920	A.Kanagamani	1000
20	463	H.N.N.Murthy	1000	46	928	B.Basvaiah	1000
21	478	G.H.Yekkundi	2000	47	965	D.R.Joshi	500
22	486	M.G.Nanjunda Swamy	500	48	986	S.Jayaram	1000
23	498	M.R.Revankar	11111	49	991	G.R.Parthasarathi	2000
24	541	Bandigaiah	1000	50	1015	H.S.Manjunath	1000
25	542	V.S.Burge	3000	51	1024	R.Balaji Singh	10001
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53	1083	H.V.Ramanatha	10001	82	1694	T.N.sonwalker	500
54	1084	Vineeth Nagaraju	1000	83	1753	G.A.Brahmadeva	10001
55	1085	M.N.Gopinath	1000	84	1839	Bettaiah	500
56	1131	K.B.Krishna Rao	1000	85	1841	P.Wilson	1001
57	1134	K.Yellappa	1000	86	1894	N.Subbaiah	500
58	1147	K.B.Kulgod	1001	87	1912	N.Venkatachalapathy	1000
59	1155	B.N.Krishna Murthy	500	88	1916	S.Sivaprasada Rao	1000
60	1156	G.Babu	1001	89	1920	H.N.Huli	500
61	1197	L.N.Vaidyanath	500	90	1946	K.Sharabhachar	1000
62	1217	S.Raghavendra	500	91	1956	G.L.Shiva Swamy	500
63	1265	K.Sivadass	500	92	1970	V.Murugan	500
64	1271	Jayashankar Rao	500	93	1994	V.Chandrappa	500
65	1274	V.Muthukumar	500	94	1995	R.J.Chakrapani	1000
66	1276	M.R.Sridhara	500	95	2024	B.S.Bhujanga Rao	300
67	1294	S.Paramasivan	1000	96	2047	Jagannatha Rao	578
68	1343	B.S.Jaiparameshwar	2001	97	2055	D.K.Prasannamma	500
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75	1550	A.Poobalan	800	104	2174	B.N.Sundaresha Moorthy	500
76	1560	N.S.Krishna Murthy	910	105	2195	R.Lakshman Swamy	1000
77	1577	M.Nagalingam	600	106	S-222	N.D.Adur	1001
78	1607	V.L.Joshi	1001	107	Well wisher	P.G.Kadni	500
79	1621	B.A.Shetty	1500	Total	Contribution fro	om Members	146,648
80	1650	B.B.Poddar	500	Asso	ociation's Contri	bution	13,352
81	1664	S.B.Hombal	500		Grand Total		160,000

Copy of the D.D. No. 204373 of SBI, Vidyaranyapura Branch, for Rupees 1,60,000 handed over to the Hon'ble Minister of State, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions on 3-2-2015 in New Delhi.



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	Subscription of Rs.	100/- receiv			' Cham	pion in Ja	ın-Feb -	2015	
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Newly Enrolled Members

G. Narendranath

	Name (Smt./Sri)	Designation & Office in which last worked	Type & No.
1	D.L.Pushpa	Postal Assistant HSG II, O/O CPMG, Bangalore	LM 2246
2	B.V.Subbaiah	Principal Foreman, CQAL, Bangalore	ALM 2247
3	Timir Baran Roy Chowdhuri	Sr.Drilling Engineer, Geological Survey of India	ALM 2248
4	N.Gooligowda	Head Mail Guard, HRO(D), B'lore City RMS	LM 2249
5	M.Nagaraja	Asst. Chief Postmaster, Banglore GPO	LM 2250
6	C.Murugesan	BCR Sortiing Assistant, Bangalore Air sorting	LM 2251

LM: Life Member ALM: Associate Life Member

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By. K.B. Krishna Rao

Charitable Function by K P&T PA in Govt. Primary School, Yelahanka



Sri K.B.Krishna Rao, Secretary, K P&T PA addressing



Students cutting the cake, Sri S.M.Vittal Rao assisting them



Note Books & Pens being presented to the students by Sri Vittal Rao



Sri H.Krishnappa, Head Master, distributing gifts

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Group dance by the students



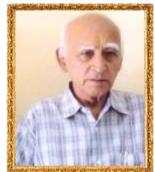
A view of the students attending the function



Representatives of K P&T PA with the H $\overline{\text{M \& Teachers}}$

A legendary Leader of Central Government employees and pensioners

Com. S.K. Vyas, a towering personality in the Trade Union and Pensioners' Movement, passed away on 13th February, 2015. Just one day before his 86th birthday, on 1st February, 2015, he was admitted to a hospital in Jaipur in connection with a massive heart attack and immediately underwent Angioplasty. Everyone hoped that he was recovering; but after two days, he had another attack. His BP became unstable and continued to be so until he had another heart attack resulting in his death on 13th February, 2015.



My association with Com. Vyas dates back to the days when I was functioning as the Joint General Secretary of the Confederation of Central Government Employees and Workers in Bangalore with late lamented P.R.Chabaque of Survey of India as its General Secretary. Com. Vyas was,

at that time, holding the post of Secretary General, All India Audit and Accounts Association and had taken charge as Secretary General, Confederation of Central Government Employees and Workers, Hqrs., New Delhi, after the Historic One Day Strike in 1968. He held the post of Secretary General, All India Audit and Accounts Association up to 1981 and thereafter, up to 1989 as its President. He continued to be Secretary General of Confederation of Central Government Employees and Workers, Hqrs. up to 2006 and thereafter, as its President up to 2013. At the time of his death, he was holding the post of Secretary General, National Coordination Committee of Central Government Pensioners' Associations and also Secretary General, Bharat Central Pensioners Confederation.

Comrade Vyas endeared himself to everyone with whom he came into contact on account of his simplicity and approachability. He used to promptly acknowledge receipt of letters and reply to references made to him. He had a deep understanding of issues concerning both serving and retired employees. His oratory was simple and convincing.

Karnataka P&T Pensioners' Association and Coordination Committee of Central Government Pensioners' Associations, Karnataka, would like to place on record the yeomen contribution made by Com. S.K.Vyas in ensuring submission of a common memorandum on behalf pensioners to both 6th and 7th Cetnral Pay Commissions.

Our respectful homage to our departed leader!

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