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Items /Issues for inclusion in the Agenda to be discussed in the 26th meeting of Standing Committee of Voluntary Agencies (SCOVA) scheduled to be held in the month of January, 2015

1. Provision of CGHS facility for life time to dependent Disabled/Mentally Retarded Children of Central Government Employees/ Pensioners

i) In the "Definition of Family" under CGHS, furnished in Ministry of Health & FW O.M. No. 3T-1/2009-C&P/CGHS (P) dt. 23-2-2011, Daughter as indicated at SI No.(5) (ii) can avail the benefits till she starts earning or gets married irrespective of the age-limit, where as Son indicated at SI. No. 5(iii) of the list, suffering from any permanent Physical/Mental disability is entitled to avail the facility "irrespective of agelimit", and Son's marital status may not result in denial of CGHS facility to him, in as much as there is no mention of marital status in the definition, unlike the definition at SI.5 (i). On the other hand, Daughter suffering from any permanent disability (Physical Disability or Mental

Retardation) loses the facility if she gets married as per the definition at SI. (5) (ii). Hence, the case of a Physically Disabled/Mentally Retarded daughter needs to be considered for extension of CGHS facility "irrespective of age-limit, even after her marriage".

ii) It is to be noted that under CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972, by an amendment to Explanations 1 and 3 after Sub-rule 6 of Rule 54, as communicated vide Department of Pension and PW O .M. No. 1/33/2012-P&PW(E) dated 16-1-2013, Mentally/Physically Disabled Children have been allowed to continue to draw family pension even after their marriage thereby removing the condition of marital status for continued drawal of family pension.

iii) It is requested that, on the analogy of Pension Rules, Mentally/Physically Disabled

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children (both son and daughter) of Central Government Employees/Pensioners may be allowed to continue to avail CGHS facilities even after their marriage by removing the condition of marital status now existing in respect of daughters only. The "definition of family" under CGHS may please be modified suitably.

- 2. Direct consultation with Specialists in CGHS/Central Government/State Government Hospitals /Polyclinics. Continuation of the facility to those CGHS Beneficiaries who were eligible for direct consultation before revision of the Monitory Ceiling.
- i) The Monitory Ceiling for direct consultation with specialists in CGHS/Central/State Government Hospitals/ Polyclinics was revised to Pay/Pension/Family Pension of Rs. 33,480/- per month and above with effect from 1-6-2009 vide MoH &FW O.M. No.S.11011/2/2008-cghs (P) dated 20-5-2009 on account of implementation of recommendations of 6th Central Pay Commission. However, para 5(iii) of the OM states that "entitlement of Pensioners/Family Pensioners who have already deposited their contribution for life time CGHS facility, will not be changed".
- ii) Pre-2006 Pensioners who were eligible for direct consultation on the basis of the then existing/pre-revised monitory ceiling of Pay/Pension/Family Pension, but whose Pay/Pension/Family Pension is below the revised monitory ceiling of Rs. 33,480, are not being allowed direct consultation facility on the plea that they do not satisfy the requirement of minimum Pay/Pension/Family Pension for eligibility for direct consultation.
- iii) Absence of the entry regarding entitlement of the Beneficiary for direct consultation in the Plastic Card is adding to the woes of the Beneficiaries since they will have to establish their claim for the facility on each and every occasion of direct consultation with Specialist. It is to be noted that the paper cards issued earlier did carry an entry on the eligibility of the Beneficiary for direct consultation.
 - iii) Hence it is requested that:
- a) Instructions may please be caused to be issued to all Directors/Additional Directors;

CGHS to continue to provide the facility of direct consultation to such of those Beneficiaries who were eligible for the same prior to revision of the monitory ceiling vide OM dated 20-5-2009, in as much as para (5) (iii) of the said O.M states that entitlement of a Beneficiary who holds a life time card will not change with the changes brought about w.e.f 1-6-2009.

b). Entry regarding the eligibility for direct consultation must be made in the Plastic Cards.

3. Role of Pensioners' Associations in Pension Adalats

- i) The Department of Pension and Pensioners' Welfare, vide its O.M No. 44013/2/2010-Coord dated 25-03-2011 has, for the first time, laid down guidelines for holding "Pension Adalats" and circulated the same among all Ministries and Departments of Government of India and Banks. Pensioners' Associations are grateful to the Department of Pension and Pensioners' Welfare for having met this long pending demand raised in previous SCOVA meetings.
- ii) However, the role of Pensioners' Associations in Pension Adalats has been limited to assist only the Illiterate Pensioners, Widows and Minors to present their grievances, when permitted (vide para. 6.4). Though Representatives of Pensioners 'Associations may be invited to attend the Pension Adalats, they are not permitted to present the grievances of the Pensioners. (Vide, para. 6.3)
- iii) The 5th Central Pay Commission has recommended vide para-139.17 of its report that "Pensioners should be allowed to present their cases before such Adalats through any other Person/Representative of Pensioners' Association, as they themselves may not be conversant with the Rules". Hence, it is requested that Pensioners' Associations may be permitted to present the grievances of their Pensioner Members before Pension Adalts, if such assistance is sought for by Pensioners.
- 4. Admissibility of Ex-gratia to Dependent Widowed/Divorced/Unmarried Daughters of CPF/SRPF Beneficiaries above the age of 25 years.
 - i) Family pension under CCS (Pension)

Rules, 1972 is being paid to eligible Widowed/ Divorced/Unmarried daughters beyond the age of 25 years for life, if they continue to be eligible for payment of family pension. But in respect of the dependent Widowed/ Divorced/ Unmarried Daughters of CPF/SRPF Beneficiaries, payment of ex-gratia to them is stopped when they complete the age of 25 years.

Hence it is requested that the benefit admissible to the above category of Central Government Family Pensioners may be extended to the dependents of CPF/SRPF Beneficiaries

5. Grant of Concessional Telephone Facilities to Postal Pensioners on par with retired DoT Employees.

- i) In recognition of their long years of service in DoT, Concessional Telephone Facility was granted to retired DoT Employees who had put in a minimum service of 20 years, in a policy decision announced by the DoT in its O.M. no. Z-79/94-PNA dated 25th September, 1998
- ii) When this facility was not extended to the Employees retiring from the Department of Posts, an aggrieved Pensioner filed an application before the Central Administrative

Tribunal, Principal Bench, New Delhi praying for extension of the scheme of "Concessional Telephone" to him since he had put in the required minimum number of years of service in the Department of Posts under the Ministry of Communications. The application was allowed by the CAT by an order passed on 4-3-2006 in OA no.2129/2004 with a direction that the Applicant should be given the facility prayed for. Writ petition filed before the Delhi High Court was dismissed. Another application filed before the same bench of CAT, was also allowed by an Order dated 31-10-2013 in OA no.1621/2012.

- iii) This issue was also discussed in the 21st meeting of the Standing Committee of Voluntary Agencies (SCOVA) held on 27-9-2012 in which it was stated that a Committee was looking into the financial aspects and a decision would be taken soon.
- iv) But, the "Concessional Telephone Facility" available to Pensioners of Department of Telecommunications has not yet been extended to Pensioners of Department of Posts up till now. It is therefore requested that the matter may please be pursued again with the Department of Posts.

RENEWAL OF SUBSCRIPTION

Members with the following membership numbers have not yet renewed their subscription to "Pensioners' Champion" in spite of reminders through this journal and through individual letters written to them. However, we continued to dispatch the journal to them. We will be forced to stop dispatch of the journal commencing from the issue of January 2015, if they fail to renew their subscription.

| 36 | 612 | 959 | 1087 | 1242 | 1340 | 1596 | 1709 | 1856 | 2054 | 2073 | 2099 |
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| 85 | 689 | 961 | 1098 | 1246 | 1394 | 1604 | 1715 | 1860 | 2055 | 2075 | 2102 |
| 250 | 722 | 970 | 1108 | 1254 | 1399 | 1640 | 1720 | 1863 | 2065 | 2078 | 2104 |
| 392 | 789 | 1004 | 1118 | 1257 | 1423 | 1659 | 1736 | 1927 | 2067 | 2079 | 2105 |
| 466 | 822 | 1014 | 1126 | 1290 | 1431 | 1661 | 1738 | 1944 | 2068 | 2081 | 2108 |
| 530 | 828 | 1019 | 1181 | 1299 | 1442 | 1668 | 1752 | 1983 | 2069 | 2082 | 2111 |
| 533 | 924 | 1037 | 1183 | 1301 | 1447 | 1670 | 1762 | 2011 | 2070 | 2083 | 2112 |
| 548 | 930 | 1044 | 1195 | 1302 | 1448 | 1687 | 1773 | 2037 | 2071 | 2085 | 2115 |
| 553 | 942 | 1082 | 1217 | 1321 | 1481 | 1690 | 1799 | 2052 | 2072 | 2091 | |

CAT Order

Absolute/Complete Parity in Pension

Central Administrative Tribunal, Principal Bench, Delhi, allows application of All India S-30 Pensioners' Association for grant of Complete Parity in Pension between pre-2006 and post- 2006 Retirees.

All India S-30 Pensioners 'Association and Central Govt. Pensioners' Association of Additional/Joint Secretaries & Equivalent Officers, who had retired while in V Central Pay Commission pay scale of S-30 i.e. Rs. 22400-525-24500, filed Applications before the Central Administrative Tribunal, Principal Bench, Delhi praying as follows:

- a) Direct the Respondent Authorities to confer the same minimum notional Pay Scales starting at Rs. 75,500/- to the Applicants since that is the Scale which has been given to S-31 in view of the fact that S-30 and S-31 have always had the same minimum Pay Scale;
- b) Direct the Respondents to consider the Revised Pay corresponding to the Pay at which the concerned Pensioner had in fact retired, instead of considering the minimum of the said Pay Scale, and to give the same Pension/ Family Pension to pre and post- 2006 Retirees depending on the years of service;
- c) Remove any discrimination between pre and post- 2006 Retirees;
- d) Direct the Respondents to ensure that the Applicants are given higher Pension/ Family Pension than the Pension given to post -2006 Retirees who had worked in the lower Pay Scales viz. S-24- S-29 Pay Scales.
- e) Direct the Respondents to re-fix Pension/ Family Pension of members of the applicant Association, work out the arrears of Pension/ Family Pension with effect from 01.01.2006 as a result of this re-fixation and pay the same immediately along with interest, at the rate as decided by the Hon'ble Tribunal from September 2008, i.e. the time when arrears of pension revision were paid as per new Pay Scales;
- f) Direct the Respondents to maintain the equation granted under prayer (a) to (e) above in the subsequent Pay Commissions so that the Applicants are not required, in their highly advance age, to knock at the door of this Hon'ble Tribunal again and again; and
- g) Strike down OM dated 18.11.2009.

By a common order, dated 20th day of November, 2014, the Principal Bench of the Hon'ble Central Administrative Tribunal, disposing OA 937/2010 and OA 2101/2010 together, passed the following Order, granting the Applicants Complete Parity in pension with post-2006 retirees of S-30 Pay Scale. However, the CAT rejected the claim of the Applicants to confer the minimum notional Pay Scale of Rs. 75,500/- applicable to Officers in the Pay Scale S-31.The Tribunal, further ordered that arrears of pension would be payable from the date of filing the applications.

The operative part of the judgement as contained in para - 47 is extracted below

47. We are of the considered view that the OM dated 18.11.2009 is illegal, being contrary to the law laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in SPS Vains (supra) and D.S. Nakara (supra) and is, therefore, guashed and set aside. We direct the Respondents to consider the revised Pay of the Applicants corresponding to the Pay at which the concerned Pensioner had in fact retired, instead of considering the minimum of the said Pay Scale, thereby determining Pension/ Family Pension to pre-2006 Retirees. This will automatically take care of the apprehensions of the Applicants that their Pension could be fixed below the Pension fixed of post-2006 Retirees who had worked in the lower Pay Scales viz. S-24- S-29 Pay Scales. We, however, reject the claim of the Applicants to confer the minimum notional Pay Scale starting at Rs.75,500/- to the Applicants as this is a matter which should be best left to expert bodies like Pay Commissions and the Tribunal would not like to enter into this arena. In any case, seeking parity based on just the minimum of the Scales being same is not a convincing argument and would lead to opening up a Pandora's Box. The Respondents are directed to re-fix Pension/ Family Pension of the Applicants with effect from 01.01.2006 according to the above direction. The arrears, however, would be payable only from the date of filing of the respective OAs. The Respondents shall complete the above exercise and pay the arrears, within three months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this Order, failing which they are liable to pay interest on arrears at G.P.F. rates w.e.f. the date of this Order. With these directions, the OAs are disposed of.

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CGHS Order

CGHS Rates for Cancer Surgery for Hospitals empanelled under CGHS

(F. No. S-11045/36/2012 – CGHS (HEC) dated 26-11-2014 GoI, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare Directorate General of CGHS)

The undersigned is directed to draw attention to the Office Memorandum of even no. dated the 1st October, 2014 and to clarify that CGHS rates for Cancer Surgery at Hospitals empanelled under CGHS shall be as per the details given below:

- 2.1. Rates of Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai (2012), as mentioned below for Cancer Surgical Procedures are treated as CGHS rates for NABH accredited Hospitals. For Non-NABH accredited Hospitals the rates would be reduced by 15%. These rates are for treatment for Semi Private Ward entitled class with 10% decrease for General Ward and 15 % enhancement for Private ward entitled Beneficiaries.
- 2.2. The duration of treatment for different categories of Surgery will be as follows:

Category – I 1-2 days

Category - II 3-5 days

(7-10 days in respect of operations involving Abdominal thoracic cavity)

Category III, IV, V & VI 12-14 days

- 2.3. The Surgical Procedures are enlisted under Categories I, II, III, IV, V & VI and the list is annexed to this Office Order.
- 2.4. Rates applicable for Room Rent (Accommodation Charges) for different categories of Wards are given below:

General Ward - Rs.1000/- per day

Semi-private Ward - Rs.2000/- per day

Private Ward - Rs.3000/- per day

CGHS Beneficiaries are entitled to facilities of Private, Semi-Private or General Ward depending on their Basic Pay / Pension. The entitlement is as follows:-

| S.No. | Basic Pay (without the inclusion of grade pay) | Entitlement |
|-------|--|-------------------|
| 1. | Upto Rs. 13,950/- | General Ward |
| 2. | Between Rs. 13,951/- and Rs.19,530/- | Semi-Private Ward |
| 3 | Rs. 19,540/- and above | Private Ward |

For any day care procedure requiring short admission – a few hours to one day- accommodation charge for one day as per entitlement shall be applicable provided the Patient has been admitted in a room as per his/her entitlement.

- 2.5. Investigation rates and procedure charges for Chemotherapy shall be as per CGHS prescribed rates of concerned City. In case of Chemotherapy, the rates prescribed are procedural charges only. Room rent, investigations and cost of Medicines are reimbursable in addition to procedural charges.
- 2.6. Consultation fee shall be as per CGHS rates applicable.
- 2.7. Investigations rates shall be as per CGHS prescribed rates of concerned City.
- 2.8. Cost of Implants / Stents/ Grafts is reimbursable in addition to package rates as per CGHS ceiling rates for Implants/ Stents / Grafts.

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2.9. The rates applicable for Anesthesia, Operation Theatre and Surgery Charges under Grades- I, II, IV, V & VI are given below.

| SI. No. | DESCRIPTION | Rate in Rupees |
|---------|---|----------------|
| | ANAESTHESIOLOGY CHARGES | |
| 1 | Anesthesia Fess – Grade I | 2700 |
| 2 | Anesthesia Fess – Grade II | 5000 |
| 3 | Anesthesia Fess – Grade III | 8000 |
| 4 | Anesthesia Fess – Grade IV | 10000 |
| 5 | Anesthesia Fess – Grade V | 14000 |
| 6 | Anesthesia Fess – Grade VI | 18000 |
| | SURGICAL ONCOLOGY – Operation Theatre (Hospital Service Charges) | |
| 1 | Minor OT – Service Charges | 1000 |
| 2 | Minor OT – Drugs/Consumables (Without GA) | 500 |
| 3 | Minor OT – Drugs/Consumables (With GA) | 750 |
| 4 | Minor OT – Service Charges – Less than 2 Hrs. | 5000 |
| 5 | Minor OT – Service Charges – 2 To 4 Hrs | 10000 |
| 6 | Minor OT – Service Charges – More than 4 Hrs | 20000 |
| | SURGERY CHARGES | |
| 1 | Minor OT – Surgery Charges | 870 |
| 2 | Grade I Surgery | 5000 |
| 3 | Grade II Surgery | 12500 |
| 4 | Grade III Surgery | 20000 |
| 5 | Grade IV Surgery | 25000 |
| 6 | Grade V Surgery | 35000 |
| 7 | Grade VI Surgery | 45000 |

2.10. The admissible amount of Cancer Surgery shall be calculated as per the formula given below:

'Room rent as applicable + Anesthesia charges (as per category) + OT charges (as per category) + Surgery charges (as per category) + Investigations at CGHS rates + Cost of Medicines and Surgical Disposables.'

Anesthesia charges (as per category) + OT charges (as per category) + Surgery charges (as per category) prescribed above are applicable for Semi-Private Ward. If the beneficiary is entitled for General Ward there will be a decrease of 10% in these rates; for Private Ward entitlement there will be an increase of 15%. Other conditions as prescribed in Office Memorandum of even number dated 1st October, 2014 remain unchanged.

CGHS Order

Written reply by the Hon'ble Minister of State, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Shri Shripad Yesso Naik in the Lok Sabha on Referral System in CGHS

The Referral System in CGHS is based on the following set of guidelines-

Treatment at CGHS Empanelled Hospitals I. Treatment under Medical Emergency:-

No referral is required and Beneficiary can directly go to any Private Empanelled Hospital for availing treatment.

II. Elective treatment at Empanelled Hospitals in Delhi/NCR :-

CGHS/Government Specialist advises specific treatment procedure required. Permission letter has to be obtained from CGHS Wellness Centre /Addl. Director of CGHS in case of Pensioners, ex-MPs, etc., and from the Department in case of serving Employees for undergoing the treatment at any of the CGHS Empanelled Hospitals of his /her choice. In Satellite Towns of NCR, viz., Faridabad, Ghaziabad, Gurgaon and Noida, CMOs i/c of CGHS Wellness Centres can refer the CGHS Beneficiaries directly to Private Empanelled Hospitals for treatment and management. In such cases permission for specific treatment procedure is to be obtained from Competent Authority i.e., from CGHS in case of Pensioners, etc., and from the Department in case of serving Employees.

III. Treatment at Empanelled Hospitals in other CGHS covered Cities outside Delhi/NCR:

CGHS Beneficiaries must compulsorily be referred to Polyclinics wherever set up by the CGHS. On the advice/opinion of the Specialists/ Post graduate GDMOs, CMO In-charge, AD/ JDs may refer CGHS Beneficiary to Private Empanelled Hospitals of the choice of the Beneficiary.

In those Cities which do not have Polyclinics and if GDMOs who are post graduate are available, their services as Specialist may be utilized and Patients may be referred to the Dispensary in which such PG. GDMOs are posted or if space is available in a centrally located Dispensary, the PG GDMOs may be posted there.

In the event of neither a Specialist nor PG GDMO is available in a City, CMO In-charge shall make a provisional diagnosis and refer the Patients to Private Empanelled Hospital for Specialist consultation. If any specific treatment/ procedure is advised (except in emergency) by Private Empanelled Hospital, It must be countersigned by CMO I/c before the services are availed to check possible misuse.

The processes of referral through Government/ CGHS Specialists provide a check and balance in the system, so far as correct diagnosis and treatment is concerned.

Legal Matters

- 1. Modified parity in pension- implementation of DoP&PW OM dated 28-1-2013 from 1-1-2006. OA 655/2010 and Contempt petition No.158/2012 of CAT, Principal Bench Delhi The case which came up for hearing on 17-12-2014 was adjourned to 6-2-2015.
- 2. SLP 36148-50 before the Supreme Court- listed on 2.12.2014 at Sl. 16, but the Bench could hear cases upto Sl. 7 only date of next hearing is to be notified. Status as on 20-12-2014 is indicated as "Pending- There are no further orders of listing"
- 3. PB 3/PB 4 Case
- OA No. 4130/2013 before CAT Principal Bench, New Delhi--- Adjourned to 13-1-2015
- 4. Grant of full pension to pre-2006 Pensioners who had retired with 20 years of qualifying service on par with post-2006 Retirees; OA 1165/2011, OA 2165/2011 and OA 247/2012: Came up for hearing on 15-12-2014: Adjourned to 29-1-2015
- 5. BSNL

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

O.A.NO.2173/2014 before CAT, Principal Bench, Delhi. Came up for hearing on 16-12-2014. Adjourned to 11-2-2015

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DoP Order

Payment of Death Gratuity to a minor

(Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare O.M. NO.7/3/2013-P&PW (F) Dated the, 2nd December, 2014).

In accordance with the existing instructions, the payment of a portion of Death Gratuity could be made to the Guardian, in the absence of a Natural Guardian, without production of a Guardianship Certificate. As per the existing Orders, an amount of RS.10,000/- (or the first Rs.10,000/- where amount exceeds Rs.10,000/) in favour of a minor could be made to his/her Guardian, in the absence of a Natural Guardian, without production of a formal Guardianship Certificate but subject to production of an Indemnity Bond.

- 2. The above issue has been examined and in modification of the above Orders, it has been decided that the payment of Death Gratuity in respect of a minor to the extent of 20% or Rs.1.50 lakh, whichever is less, may be paid to his/her Guardian, in the absence of Natural Guardian, without the production of a formal Guardianship Certificate but subject to the production of an Indemnity Bond with suitable Sureties. The balance in excess of 20% or Rs.1.50 lakhs, as the case may be, would become payable on the production of a Certificate of Guardianship.
- 3. It is essential, however that there should be adequate prima facie grounds for making payment as in paragraph 2 above, to the person claiming it. Such ground can exist only if he is shown by a declaration to be a de facto Guardian and his bona fides have been ascertained. Even if a Guardian has not yet been appointed by the Court, if the minor and his property are in the custody of some person, such person is in law a de facto Guardian. The Authorities making the

payment, should, therefore, require the person who comes forward to claim payment on behalf of the minor, to satisfy themselves by a form that he is in charge of the property of the minor and is looking after it or that, if the minor has no property other than the gratuity, the minor is in his custody and care. The form so to be produced is in addition to the Indemnity Bond with suitable Sureties.

- 4. The Indemnity Bond which is required to be produced by a de-facto Guardian of minor(s) for payment of Retirement/Death Gratuity to the extent of RS.1.50 lakh or 20% whichever is less should be executed in the form appended below.
- 5. It has been decided that the stamp duty payable on the Indemnity Bond will be borne by the Government. The Indemnity Bond, should, therefore, be executed on any durable plain paper.
- 6. The Indemnity Bond should be signed by the Obligor and the Surety/Sureties or their Respective Attorneys appointed by Power(s) of Attorney. The Indemnity Bond on behalf of the President should be accepted by an Officer duly authorized under Article 229(1) of the Constitution.
- 7. In so far as the persons serving in the Indian Audit and Accounts Department are concerned, these orders have been issued after consultation with the Comptroller and Auditor General of India.
- 8 This issues with the concurrence of Department of Expenditure vide their ID note No. 359/EV/2014 dated 04.07.2014.

(Tripti P. Ghosh)
Director

New Additional Director, CGHS

Dr. Vathsala has taken over as the Additional Director, CGHS, Bangalore, in place of Dr. Umeshchandra Biradar who has been posted as Senior Regional Director, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Kendriya Sadana, Bangalore consequent on his promotion to the rank of Director. Karnataka P&T Pensioners' Association wishes a successful term to Dr. Vathsala in her new assignment and looks forward for her cooperation in addressing the grievances of Pensioner CGHS Beneficiaries.

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CGHS Empanelled Private Hospital in Bangalore

| Sr. | Name of the Hospitals | Address & Tel. No. | NABH Accred ited/ Non NABH | Facilities Empanelled for |
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| - | Imperial Hospital and Research Centre(Apollo) | Imperial Hospital and Research Centre Itd (A unit of Apollo hospitals, Bangalore) 154/11, Opp. IIMB -B, Bannerghatta Road, Bangalore -560076. | МАВН | Cardiology, CTVS, Vascular Surgery, Orthopedics (Joint Replacements, Spine Surgery), Paediatrics & Gynecology, General Surgery, Bariatric Surgery, Urology, Nephrology (Transplantation and Dialysis), Medical & Surgical Gastroenterology, Neurology & Neuro Surgery, ENT Surgery, Opthalmology, Imaging Services (CT, MRI, PET Scan, Nuclear Medicine), Medical, Surgical & Radiation Oncology, Laboratory Services. |
| 63 | Narayana Superspeciality Hospitals Pvt Ltd | Narayana Super Speciality Hospitals , # 24, 9th Cross, Margosa Road, Malleswaram BANGALORE-560 003 Ph. No.080-23084000 | NON - NABH | Obstetrics & Gynaecology , Fertility (IVF) , Paediatrics, Gynaecology, Andrology, Oncology, Medicine (ICU), General & Laproscopic Surgery, Orthopaedics, Plastic Surgery, Cosmetic Surgery,Ophthalmology, ENT, Cardiology, Neurology, Nephrology, GastroEnterology, Urology, Pulmonology, Dermatology, Psychiatry, Anesthesialogy, Radiology, Mammography, Imaging and diagnostic services. |
| rn. | P D Hinduja Sindhi Hospital | P D Hinduja Sindhi Hospital no 12th A cross sindhi Hospital Road Sampangiramnagar Bangalore 560027. PH:080-49030303, | NON | General Medicine, Opthalmology, E.N.T, Dental, Urology, Neuro Surgery, Plastic Surgery, General Surgery, Paediatrics, Obstetrics & Gynecology, Orthopedics, Physiotherapy, Laparoscopic Surgery, Micro Surgery, Urethrotomy, Diagnostic services including Ultrasound Scanning, Echo Cardiography Colour Dopplar Vascular Imaging, Treadmill Cardiac Stress Test (TMT), Foetal Monitor Computerised Radiography Video Endoscopy Video Colonoscopy Pulmonary Function |
| াৰ - | Shirdi Sai Hospital Pvt Ltd | Shirdi Sai Hospital Put.Ltd. # 519 , 2nd Main, Nethravathi Street, New BEL Road, Bangalore-560 054 Ph no 080-42719999 | NON- NABH | General Surgery, Dermatology, General Medicine, Chest Medicine, Obstetrics & Gynaecology, Physiotherapy, Ophthalmology, Nephro -Urology, Gastroenterology, Endocrinology, Oncology & Chemotherapy, Dialysis, Diagnostic Services including X-Ray, ECG, Ultrasound Scanning Doppler, EEG, TMT, ECHO, PFT, Endoscopy, Colonoscopy, Orthopaedics, Vascular Surgery, Plastic Surgery, Pediatric Surgery, ENT Surgery, Neuro Surgery |
| 5 | Fortis Hospitals Limited Cunningham Road | Fortis Hospitals Limited No 14, Cunningham Road Bangalore -560052. Contact No 080-41994498/41994649 | NON | CTVS, Cardiology, Orthopedics, General Medcine, Urology, Gastroenterology |

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| Address & Tel. No. | Bangalore West Lions Superspeciality Eye Hosp No 5 Lions Eye Hospital road (OffJ.C. Road), Bangalore-560002 Ph no 080-22121255 | Devi Super Speciality Eye Hospital PVT LTD,#434,18th Main,80Feet Road,6th Block,Opp Koramangala Banagalore-560095, 080-25535514 | Dr. Agarwal's Eye Hospital C K Emerald No 10 N S Palya Kaveriappa Industrial Area, Bannerghatta Road Bangalore-560076, 080-26784012 | Dr. Agarwals Eye Hospital (Represented by Dr. Agarwal's Healthcare Limited) No. 33, Coles Road, Frazer Town, Bangalore- 560 005 Ph no. 080-25498855 | Dr. Agarwals Eye Hospital (Represented by Dr. Agarwal's Healthcare Ltd., No. 2557 HIG, 16th B Cross Rd, 3rd Stage, Yelahanka New Town, Bangalore-64. Ph no 080 2846 1225 | Karthik Netralaya Institute of Ophthalmology Pvt. Ltd.89, 6th Cross, Ashok Nagar, BSK Ist Stage, Bangalore-50, Karnataka. Ph : 2667 4399. | Narayana Nethralaya , 121/C, Chord Road, Rajajinagar, 1" R Block, Bangalore - 10 Ph No.080-6612 1428 |
| Name of the Exclusive Eye Centres | Bangalore West Lions Superspeciality Eye Hosp | Devi Super Speciality Eye Hospital Pvt Ltd | Dr Agarwals Eye Hospital Bannerghatta Road | Dr. Agarwal's Eye Hospital Coles Rd | Dr. Agarwal's Eye Hospital Yelankha | Karthik Netralaya Institute of Ophthalmology Pvt Ltd | Narayana Netralaya - 1 |
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| 8 | Narayana Netralaya- 2 | Narayana Nethralaya , # 258/A, Bommasandra, Narayana Health City, Bangalore - 99. Ph No. 080 -6666 0707 | МАВН | Exclusive Eye Care Centre |
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| .6 | Narayana Netralaya- 3 | Narayana Nethralaya , No.37, Castle Street, Opp. Sacred Heart Church, Ashok Nagar, Bangalore - 560 025. Ph 080-6697 4033, 080 6697 4013 | NON-NABH | Exclusive Eye Care Centre |
| 10. | Nethradhama Superspeciality Eye Hosptal | Nethradhama Superspeciality Eye Hosptal, No.256/14, Kanakapura main road, Jayanagar 7th block Bangalore -82 Ph 080-26088000 | NABH | Exclusive Eye Care Centre |
| 111. | Netra Enterprise Prabha Eye Clinic | PRABHA EYE CLINIC AND RESEARCH CENTRE, #504, 40TH CROSS, 8TH BLOCK JAYANAGAR, BANGALORE-70 Ph no: 080- 22444131 | NON-NABH | Exclusive Eye Care Centre |
| 12. | Padmabhushana Dr. M C Modi Eye Hospital | Padmabhushan Dr.M.C. Modi Eye Hospital, Dr.M.C.Modi Road, Mahalakshmipuram, Bangalore-86 Ph.080-23492233 | Non-NABH | Exclusive Eye Care Centre |
| 13. | Sankara Eye Hospital | Sri Kanchi Kamakoti Medical Trust-Sankara Eye Hospital Site-43, Varthur Main Road, Marathahalli, Bangalore-560037 Ph no 080-28542727 | NON-NABH | Exclusive Eye Care Centre |
| 41 | Shekar Nethralaya | Shekar Nethralaya, No.33 100 feet Ring road, JP Nagar 3rd phase,Bengalore - 560078, Tel:- 080 26593210 | NON-NABH | Exclusive Eye Care Centre |
| 15. | Sukruthi Eye Care Microsurgical Centre | Sukruthi Eye Care Microsurgical Centre, 148, Vyalikaval, Malleswaram 11th Cross, Bangalore 560003 Ph no 080-23566251 | NON-NABH | Exclusive Eye Care Centre |

| 16. | Sunayana Eye Hospital | Sunayana Eye Hospital, #1156, 26th Main, 4th 'T' Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore-41. 080-22442356 | NON-NABH | Exclusive Eye Care Centre |
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| 17. | Sunetra Eye Hospital | Sunetra Hitech Eye Hospital # 519/34,2nd cross,10th main, BSK 1st Stage, 2nd block, Bangalore-50.Ph 080- 22410500 | NON-NABH | Exclusive Eye Care Centre |
| 18. | The Eye Foundation | The Eye Foundation, #79/5, Outer Ring Road,(Diagnolly Opp. To Bellandur Central Mall), Bellandur, Bangalore - 560103 Ph: 080-49422000. | NON-NABH | Exclusive Eye Care Centre |
| 19. | Vasan Eyecare Hospital Ganganagar | VASAN EYE CARE HOSPITAL Vijayalakshmi Arcade, # 533 Opp. BMTC Bus Stop, Ganganagar, R T Nagar, Bangalore -560032. Ph No.: 080 39207950 | NON-NABH | Exclusive Eye Care Centre |
| 20. | Vasan Eyecare Hospital HRBR Layout Banasavadi | VASAN EYE CARE HOSPITAL # 205/4C, IV Cross III Block, HRBR Layout, Near Hennur BMTC Bus depot, Banaswadi, Bangalore -560043. Ph.: 080 39890600 | NON-NABH | Exclusive Eye Care Centre |

| Vasan Eyecare Hospital Jayanagar | WASAN EYE CARE HOSPITAL # 28 & 29, 7 th Main Road, IV Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore -560011. Ph No.: 080 39890500 VASAN EYE CARE HOSPITAL | NON-NABH | Exclusive Eye Care Centre |
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| Hospital Koramangala | # 897/C, 80 Feet Road, VI Block, Opp. Pizza Hut, Koramangala Bangalore-560095. Ph No.: 080 39890000 | NON-NABH | Exclusive Eye Care Centre |
| Vasan Eyecare Hospital Nagarabhavi | VASAN EYE CARE HOSPITAL # 5, 20 th Cross, Malagala Underpass Ring Road II Stage, Nagarbhavi Bangalore- 91 Ph No.: 080 30163800 | NON-NABH | Exclusive Eye Care Centre |
| Vasan Eyecare Hospital Rajajinagar | VASAN EYE CARE HOSPITAL # 46, 19 th Main Road, I Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore-560010. Ph No.: 080-39419000 | NON-NABH | Exclusive Eye Care Centre |
| Vittala International Institute of Ophthalmology | Vittala International Institute Of Ophthalmology, C.A.Site #1, 2nd Crs, 2nd Mn, 7th Blk, Hosakerehalli, Banashankari 3rd Stage, Bangalore-560 085.Ph: 080-26722214 | NON-NABH | Exclusive Eye Care Centre |

DIAGNOSTIC CENTRES:-BANGALORE

| Sr. No. | Name of the Diagnostic Centres | Address & Tel. No. | NABH / Non-NABH | Facilities Empanelled for |
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| ÷ | Chanre Diagnostic Laboratory | ChanRe Diagnostic Laboratory & Multi Speciality Clinic,# 121 / 1, 3rd main bet 10th & 11th Cross, Margosa Rd, Malleswaram, Bangalore- 03,080-40810611 | NON NABL | Laboratory Investigations and Ultrasound , 2D ECHO , TMT , Doppler , ECG , Denstistry , Advanced Diagnostic Laboratory |
| 6 | Kanva Diagnostic Services Pvt Ltd | Kanva Diagnostic Services {P} Ltd #/2/10. Dr Rajkumar Road, 4th N Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore- 560010 Ph:080-23133838/39/40/41/42 FAX: 080-23133844 | NABL | Laboratory Services including Biochemistry, Special Biochemistry, Hematology, Microbiology, Histopathology, Clinical Pathology, Cytology, Radiology & Imaging Services including Digital X-ray, Mammography and Bone Densitometry, Ultrasound Scan Including Anamoly scan, 4D scan, Dopplers all kinds, Ultrasound guided Biopsy, FNAC Etc, CT Scan, MRI |
| .3 | RV Metropolis and Diagnostic and Health Care Centre Pvt Ltd | RV Metropolis and Diagnostic and Health Care Centre Pvt Ltd # 7&21, 10th Cross, Yellappa Garden, Malleswaram, Bangalore- 560003 Ph:080-33993939 | NABL | TMT, LBC, X-ray, Ultrasound, Echo, ECG Microbiology, Biochemistry, Histopathology, Serology, Hematology, Clinical Pathology, Cytology , |
| 4 | Elbit Medical Diagnostic Limited | Elbit Medical Diagnostic Limited INDIAN EXPRESS BUILDING, 1&1/2. QUEENS ROAD BANGALORE -560001 Ph no 080-40570000 | NABL | MRI , CT, Nuclear Meducine, Echocardiograpy, T.M.T/E.C.G Mammograpy , Bone Densitometery, Radiography(Digital X-Ray), Pathology, Biochemistry&Microbiology, Ultrasound ,, Diagnostic Endosocy/ERCP, Moleculer Diagnostics, E.E.G.,E.N.M.G & NCV |
| ۶. | Focus Diagnostics Centre & Speciality Clinics | Focus Diagnostics centre and Speciality clinics No. 1213, 20th Main road, Rajajinagar 5th block, west of chord road, Bangalore – 560010, 080-23503750 | NON-NABL | MRI , Digital Xray, Ultrasound, Doppler, ECG, Treadmill Test, Lab, 2D - Echo, BMD, EEG, Nerve conduction study,CT, Mammography,OPG |

EXCLUSIVE DENTAL CLINICS: -BANGALORE

| Dental Centres | _ | NABH / Non- NABH | Empanelled for |
|---------------------------------|---|---------------------|----------------|
| Smiles Dental Care | SMILES DENTAL CARE, #74/2, ABOVE NAGENDRA MEDICALS, NAGAVARPALYA MAIN ROAD, C.V.RAMAN NAGAR, BANGALORE 560093 Ph no 080-64557113 | NON-NABH | Dental Care |
| Chinmayi Dental and Medicare | Chinmayi Dental & Medicare #28,2 main, 5th cross, Govindarajanagar, Bangalore-560040. Ph: 080-23404380. | NON-NABH | Dental Care |
| Apoorva Dental Care | Apoorva Dental Care,hig 4/1,80 feet Double road,dollars are colony,RMV 2nd stage,near RMV Club, Bangalore-560094. Ph:080-65951922 | NON-NABH | Dental Care |

Integrated HQ of MoD (Army) Dy DTE GEN Canteen Services

(Ref. No. 96010/Q/DDGCS/CIV 13th Nov., 2014

Request for CSD Canteen Facility to Retired Defence Civilian Pensioners

1. Reference your ID Note No. 8 (3)/2014-D (Mov)-Vol-III dated 22 Oct. 2014.

2. As of now, Defence Civilian on retirement are not entitled to CSD facilities. The extension of CSD facility to Defence Civilians on retirement has been discussed in the Executive Committee (EC) metting of the Board of Control Canteen Service (BOCCS), wherein due to various constraining factors, such as shortage of man power, infrastructure and lack of budgetary support, it was ruled that "Status Quo" to be maintained.

MoD/ (MoV)

(1) Copy to Q 1(E) Q MG Branch (2) Karnataka P&T Pensioners' Association, Bangalore

COORDINATION COMMITTEE OF

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Report on the meeting on CGHS matters held on 12-12-2014 at the O/o the Principal Chief Commissioner of Income Tax, Bengaluru, under the aegis of the Central Government Employees Welfare Coordination Committee.

A meeting of the Representatives of Health Care Service Providers, including Private Hospitals, Dental Clinics, Eye Hospitals and Diagnostic Centres and Representatives of Central Government Employees and Pensioners was arranged at the initiative of Shri D.C.Sreedhar, Secretary, Central Government Employees Welfare Coordination Committee (CGEWCC), Karnataka, and Commissioner of Income Tax, with a view to assess the situation that had developed consequent upon revision of CGHS package rates in November, 2014, which had resulted in many Reputed Health Care Service Providers in Bengaluru not seeking empanelment under CGHS on the plea that the Revised Package Rates are comparatively lower than the 2010 CGHS package rates. The meeting was well attended with Representatives of several reputed Hospitals and Diagnostic Centres in Bengaluru present at the meeting.

In his opening remarks, the Secretary, stated that it was brought to the notice of the CGEWCC that sufficient number of Hospitals is not empanelled with CGHS and also those Hospitals which are already empanelled are located at far off places for the Central Government Employees and Pensioners, thereby causing hardship to them. Hence a meeting of all stake holders has been called, with a view to share the issues of mutual interest and to facilitate a meaningful interactive session. The desire was to have sufficient number of Hospitals of repute to cater to the health needs of Central Government Employees/Pensioners at convenient distance from the place of their residence/work place. He stated that CGEWCC wishes to place on record the service provided by the Health Care Service Providers. He thanked the Pensioners 'Associations for giving good service to their Members.

The Secretary, Stated that the CGEWCC is fully aware of the problems faced by CGHS Beneficiaries, as

also the Health Care Providers, and that he was optimistic of finding solutions and requested all stake holders to come out with their valuable suggestions. He said that a report on the opinions expressed in the interactive session would be sent to the Government of India.

Dr.V.C.Shanmuganandan, former Additional Director, CGHS and Representative of Indian Medical Association, initiating the discussions, stated that the revised CGHS package rates are unrealistic and it would be difficult to expect the Hospitals to provide good health care at the rates now notified. He stated that he had pointed out several mistakes in the rate list, when he was with CGHS, which have not yet been corrected. Intervening, the Secretary stated that the matter will be taken up with CGHS to correct arithmetical errors.

Dr. Alexander Thomas, Principal Advisor, Association of Health Care Providers (India), narated the initiatives taken by his Association since October 2013 to get the CGHS packages rates revised and said that their main concern is to ensure that "Patients health is not compromised" with the empanelment of not so well equipped Hospitals and best medical treatment should be made available to CGHS Beneficiaries.

Sri Ashwathanarayana, Central Government Pensioner, who is the manager of a Health Care Provider, opined that if an up word revision of package rates is done many more Hospitals in Bengaluru will seek empanelment.

Dr.Deviprasad Setty, Narayana Institute of Cardiac Sciences stated that with the low package rates, Hospitals should not be made to cut corners, which will result in danger to patient's safety.

Many other Representatives of Healthcare Providers also spoke, highlighting the inadequacy of the existing facilitates provided to them by CGHS.

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Sri K.B.Krishna Rao, Chairman, Coordination Committee of Central Government Pensioners' Association, Karnataka, (CCCGPA), stated that CGHS is the best Medicare available to Central Government Pensioners and they want further strengthening and expansion of the Scheme. He expressed his concern over the reduction in number of Private Empanelled Hospitals which has come down to 5 from 15, causing extreme hardship to the CGHS Beneficiaries. He stated that Pensioners' Associations have been vigorously pursuing with the CGHS on revision of package rates and have also demanded a permanent mechanism for periodical revision of package rates taking in to account market rates. He appealed to all the Health Care Providers to get empanelled under CGHS, keeping in view the fact that most of the CGHS Beneficiaries are old age Pensioners, who very often, need quality medical treatment.

Sri S. Radhakrishna General Secretary, CCCGPA, in his speech said that there seems to be not much of a difference between the package rates for

Delhi, Bengaluru and Bubaneshwar and wondered as to why, the Health Care Providers in Bengaluru are not coming forward to get empanelment with CGHS, while several private Hospitals in Delhi have registered themselves under CGHS. He stated that the Pensioners' Associations will take up the issue in all the forums available to them and also seek the help of Service Unions in the matter to ensure that CGHS has a relook into the whole gamut of the issue for revision of package rates and appealed to the Health Care Providers to continue to provide medical facilities to CGHS Beneficiaries.

Secretary, CGEWCC, Karnataka, in his concluding remarks, stated that while it cannot be said that all the problems can be solved at one go, sincere efforts will be made to address the grievances of all stake holders and appealed to the Health Care Providers to seek empanelment with CGHS, since fresh empanelment process has commenced with the issue of OM dated 10-12-2014. The meeting ended at 1-30 p.m.

Grant of revised pay structure of GP of Rs 4600 in the PB-2 to posts that existed in the pre-revised scale of Rs. 6500-10500 as on 1.1.2006 and which were granted the normal replacement pay structure of GP Rs. 4200 in PB-2

(O.M. No. 24(1) EV/2012 dated 1809-2013 from Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure)

The undersigned is directed to refer to Department of Pension & Pensioners Welfare's OM No. 38/47/13.P&PW(A) dated 21.8.2013 on the subject cited above.

2. In this regard it is stated that DoP&PW vide its OM No. 45/8697-P&PW(A) (Pt.) dted 11.5.2001 has clarified that pension of all Pensioners irrespective of their date of retirement shall not be less than 50% of the minimum of the corresponding scale as on 1.1.1996 of the scale of pay held by the Pensioner at the time of superannuation/retirement. The Hon'ble Supreme Court in its judgment dated 23.11.2006 K.S. Krishnaswamy Vs. Union of India in CA No. 3174/2006 upheld the validity of DoP&PW OM No. 45/86/97 P&PW(A) (Pt) dated 11.5.2001.

3. It has been stated in the OM dated 1.1.2008-IC dated 13.11.2009 that 6th CPC recommended merger of the three pre-revised scales of Rs. 5000-8000 Rs. 5000-9000 and Rs. 6500-10500 and replaced them by the revised Pay structure of Grade Pay of 4200 in PB-2.

The Commission recommended that in case it is not feasible to merge the posts in these Pay Scales on functional consideration, the posts in the scale of Rs. 5000-8000 and Rs 5500-9000 should be merged with the posts in the Scale Rs 6500-10500 being upgraded to next higher grade in the Pay Band PB-2 with Grade Pay of Rs 4600/- corresponding to pre-revised scale of Rs.7450-11500. In case a post already exists in the Scale of Rs. 7450-11500, the post being upgraded from the scale of Rs. 6500-10500 should be merged with the post in the Scale of Rs. 7450-11500

4. The scale of Rs 6500-10500 has been upgraded to the scale of Rs. 7450-11500 and after revision in the Pay Band in PB-2 with Grade Pay of Rs. 4600. Therefore in terms of OM dated 11.5.2001, the pre-2006 Pensioners who held the pre-revised Scale of Rs 6500-10500 at the time of their retirement are not entitled for stepping up of their Pension and Family Pension with reference to the revised Grade Pay of Rs. 4600.

Subscription of Rs. 100/- received for Pensioners' Champion in November-December - 14

| LM/ALM | Name (Smt./Sri) | LM/ALM | Name (Smt./Sri) | LM/ALM | Name (Smt./Sri) |
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| 249 | K.Basappa | 1674 | B.R.S.Prasanna | 2145 | M.Zakariah |
| 466 | Rajalakshmi Prabhakar | 1799 | K.Vittoba Rao | 2149 | K.Babu Nairi |
| 553 | V.Velayudhan | 2106 | A.Malathi Rao | 2226 | D.Kalyana Rao |
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| 1217 | S.Raghavendran | 2128 | K.S.Rajagopalan | | |

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| 828 | S.G.Ramaswamy |
| 1659 | V.K.Kulkarni |
| 1672 | A.C.Shekar |

Subscription of Rs. 500/- received for Pensioners' Champion

| LM/ALM | Name (Smt./Sri) |
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| 580 | S.R.Pavana Murthy |
| 1296 | M.S.Lalitha |
| 1849 | S.G.Vittal |

Subscription of Rs. 300/- received for Pensioners' Champion

| LM/ALM | Name (Smt./Sri) |
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| 942 | M.R.Deshpande |
| 2055 | D.K.Prasannamma |

| Donations Received | | | |
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| LM/ALM | Name (Smt./Sri) | Rs/- | |
| 210 | M.L.Kulkarni | 2000 | |
| 2224 | R.Venkata Swamy | 1000 | |

Members who have not yet renewed their subscription for 2014-15, are requested to renew

Newly Enrolled Members

| Name (Smt./Sri) | Designation & Office in which last worked | Type & No. |
|-----------------------|---|------------|
| 1 K.S.Sridhara Murthy | Postal Assistant, Mysore HO, Mysore | LM 2221 |
| 2 M.N.Rama Swamy | Foreman(Gaz), Sr.Qlty Assurance Estt, (Electronis), DGQA Complex, Bangalore | ALM 2222 |
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| 4 R.Venkata Swamy | STS, Mysore Phones, Mysore | LM 2224 |
| 5 P.Venkata Setty | Postmaster HSG I, Davanagere HO | LM 2225 |
| 6 D. Kalyana Rao | Senior Superintendent of Pos Gulbarga | LM 2226 |

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LIST OF HOLIDAYS DURING THE YEAR 2015 FOR OFFICES OF CENTRAL GOVERNMENT LOCATED IN KARNATAKA

| S.No. | Holiday | Date/Month | Day |
|-------|---|---------------|-----------|
| 1 | Milad-Un-Nabi or Id-E-Milad (Birthday of Prophet Mohammad) | January, 4 | Sunday |
| 2. | Makarashnakaranthi | January, 14 | Wednesday |
| 3. | Republic Day | January, 26 | Monday |
| 4. | Mahashivarathri | February, 17 | Tuesday |
| 5. | Mahavir Jayanthi | April, 2 | Thursday |
| 6. | Good Friday | April, 3 | Friday |
| 7. | Buddha Purnima | May, 4 | Monday |
| 8. | ldu'l Fitr | July, 18 | Saturday |
| 9. | Independence Day | August, 15 | Saturday |
| 10. | Ganesha Chaturthi | September, 17 | Thursday |
| 11. | ld-ul-Zuha (Bakrid) | September, 25 | Friday |
| 12. | Mahatma Gandhi's Birthday | October, 2 | Friday |
| 13. | Dussehra/ Mahanavami | October, 22 | Thursday |
| 14. | Muharram | October 24 | Saturday |
| 15. | Deepavali | November 11 | Wednesday |
| 16. | Guru Nanak's Birthday | November 25 | Wenesday |
| * | Milad-Un-Nabi or Id-E-Milad (Birthday of Prophet Mohammad) | December 24 | Thursday |
| 17. | Christmas Day | December 25 | Friday |

^{*} Milad-Un-Nabi or Id-E-Milad (Birthday of Prophet Mohammad) falls twice in the year 2015.

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| Month | CPI Base 2001=100 | 12 Months' Total | Monthly Ave. | % increase over 115.76 |
|---------|-------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|
| July 14 | 252 | 2896 | 241.33 | 108.47 |
| Oct 14 | 253 | 2939 | 244.92 | 111.58 |

By. K.B. Krishna Rao

Sri M. G. Krishna Murthy LM-739, retired Divisional Engineer, BG TD expired on 8-10-2014 at the age of 76 years. He leaves behind 4 daughters & a son.

Sri C.Mohanakrishna LM-309, retired O.S. O/o CGMT, Bangalore expired on 3-11-2014 at the age of 85 years. He leaves behind one daughter.

Sri C.R.Krishna Murthy LM-1911, retired APM, Kurnool, H.P.O. expired on 6-7-2014 at the age of 88 years. He leaves behind 3 sons and 6 daughters.

Our heartfelt condolences to the bereaved.

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QUESTION AND ANSWERS ON THE SUBJECT OF RETIREE AND RETIREMENT

The Retirement Q&A!

Retirement can be a wonderful thing. It sure is a huge change in one's life, moving from office to home, from keeping hours to keeping yourself busy and having fun. Indeed, retirement has many secrets, which is why it was important for me to ask some 'hard' questions about this phase of life

Question: How many days in a week?

Answer: 6 Saturdays, 1 Sunday

Question: When is a retiree's bedtime?

Answer: Two hours after he falls asleep on the couch.

Question: How many retirees to change a light bulb?

Answer: Only one, but it might take all day.

Retirement is wonderful. It's doing nothing without worrying

about getting caught at it

Gene Perret

Question: What's the biggest gripe of retirees?

Answer: There is not enough time to get everything done.

Question: Why don't retirees mind being called Seniors?

Answer: The term comes with a 10% discount.

Question: Among retirees, what is considered formal

attire?

Answer: Tied shoes.

Question: Why do retirees count pennies?

Answer: They are the only ones who have the time.

'There's one thing I always wanted to do before

I quit...retire!'

Groucho Marx

Question: What is the common term for someone who enjoys work and refuses to retire?

Answer: Idiot

Question: Why are retirees so slow to clean out the basement, attic or garage?

Answer: They know that as soon as they do, one of their adult

kids will want to store stuff there.

Question: What do retirees call a long lunch?

Answer: Lunch.

I have never liked working. To me a job is an invasion of privacy

Danny Mc Gorty

Question: What is the best way to describe retirement?

Answer: The never ending Coffee Break.

Question: What's the biggest advantage of going back to

school as a retiree?

Answer: If you cut classes, no one calls your parents.

Question: Why does a retiree often says he doesn't miss work, but misses the people he used to work with?

Answer: He is too polite to tell the whole truth.

Question: What do you do all week?

Answer: Monday through Friday, nothing; Saturday & Sunday,

I rest.

I enjoy waking up and not having to go to work. So I do it three or four times a day.

Gene Perret

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