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Elderly Power in India and Role of Pensioners/Superannuated Persons
A power point presentation

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Secretary General, Bharat Pensioners Samaj, New Delhi

- ◆ THERE has been no parallel to Indian Elderly Power
- ◆ They got you Independence
- ◆ They have been running Government right from Independence
- ◆ They have been managing major Political Parties of this Country

So, consolidate your Vote Bank

Statistical Data -1

- ◆ **Census Data 2001 >> India at a glance >> Broad Age Groups**
- ◆ **Total Population = 102,87,37,436 Persons**
- ◆ **Age Groups -Persons**
- ◆ 6 years and below = 16,38,19,614 Proportion to total population (%) 15.9
- ◆ 7 to 14 years = 19,97,91,198 Proportion to total population (%) 19.4
- ◆ 15 to 59 years =58,56,38,723 Proportion to total population (%) 56.9
- ◆ 60 years and above= 7,66,22,321 Proportion to total population (%) 7.5
- ◆ Age Not Stated =27,38,472 Proportion to total population (%) 0.3

Statistical Data-II

Based on Census 2011

- ◆ **Total population = 121,01,93,422 i.e.1210.2 million**
- ◆ Growth rate gone down by 3.09% compared to 2001
- ◆ Population of 0-6 years age group = 15,87,89,287 i.e 158.8 million (-5 million since 2001 i.e -3.08%)
- ◆ 0-6 years to total Population is 13.1 percent compared to 15.9% in 2001 i.e a decline of 2.8%
- ◆ Average life expectancy increased to : 76 years
- ◆ Population of 65 + : 5.3%, up by 1.3% compared to 2001
- ◆ Population of 60-64 age group : 5% ,up by 1.5%
- ◆ Total population of 60+ in 2011: 10.3% of total population = 124.65 Million or 12,46,50,000

Superannuated Persons

Who are Senior Citizen first and are packed with Wisdom, Knowledge & Experience

- | | | |
|--|---|-------------|
| ◆ Defence Pensioners/Family Pensioners | = | 19, 50,000 |
| ◆ Railway Pensioners/Family Pensioners | = | 12, 00,000 |
| ◆ Central Govt. Civil Pensioners/Family Pensioners | = | 08,25,000 |
| ◆ State Govt. Pensioners | = | 54,15,000 |
| ◆ EPS 95 Pensioners | = | 45,00,000 |
| ◆ PSU Pensioners | = | 07,00,000 |
| ◆ Adding them, figure goes to | = | 1,45,90,000 |
- Pensioners are 11.63% of Sr. Citizen Population (over 1, 00,000 persons are being added to this Population every year)

Aim is to consolidate 120 million Sr. Citizen Voters through 14.59 Million Pensioners.

Statistical Data III

(Based on 2009 General Elections & Report of the Technical Group on Population Projections)

Total Population: 121, 01, 93, 422 (2011) i.e.; 1210 million

Total Electoral (2014) = 815.74 million

- ◆ Elderly Electoral 100 Million (2014)
- ◆ Elderly Electoral Share 12.25%

Statistical Data IV

Present Indian Elderly Population is about 121+ Milions

Effective literacy rate among Senior Citizens is 33%, more than 45% of whom are Superannuated Persons

Financial position

- 33% below poverty line
- 33% just above poverty line
- 28% Middle class
- 6% Well to do i.e. upper Middle class

Issues involved

Dignity

1. Social Security
2. Healthcare
3. Financial Security

Demographical aging has hit the Indian shores as well. People are living longer, life expectancy is steadily rising & fertility declining. By 2050, Elderly Population will be more than 20% of total Population.

With the Population of 15-59 years age group touching 50% in 2011, declining Population of 0-6 age group due to high infant mortality, high mortality rate of expectant young mothers during delivery, declining fertility rate; but overall life expectancy going higher (76Yrs), India's Elderly Population is on fast track & is already at about 10% of total Population. Electoral strength of elderly will also go on increasing in coming years.

To be able to influence the Government decisions, we have to keep two things in mind.

1. Our Political clan understands only the language of Vote Bank &
2. Our Bureaucrats care for nuisance value.

As Mature & Responsible Senior Citizens of the Country, we cannot think of nuisance value, hence, we should think of a Vote Bank of Sr. Citizens.

Elderly have 12.25% share in Indian Electoral. Average voting percentage in Indian elections is now 66.4%. Voting percentage of 60+ persons in every election is a staggering 90%. Thus actual vote share of Sr. Citizens is now almost 16.6%, which is sufficient to turn the table.

Why, then, Sr. Citizens should feel helpless! They are still capable of turning the tides.

The literate lot of Sr. Citizens is the section of intelligent voters, which is over 3,30,00,000. Following "one percent principle", strive for creating a work force of 3,30,000 spread over the Country, streamline & interlink already available resources i.e. Websites, Blogs, Social Networking Sites & Monthly Journals, which several of Sr. Citizen & Pensioners' Organizations have!

Go down to grass root level covering Rural & Urban India. We can still do wonders

The need of the hour is consolidation. Rising above the Cast/Creed, Sex, Provincial, Linguistic & Political divides. Work for the consolidation of Sr. Citizen Vote Bank.

Sr. Citizens & Pensioners Organizations should work in their own fields with a common Road Map i.e.

(1) Communicate (2) Co-ordinate (3) Consolidate (4) Empowerment through Awareness, Education & Information. (5) Different Organizations at different levels should work as a team & not as Competitors

Communicate: Amongst Yourself, with Sister Organizations, Local Leaders, Local Administration & Media

Co-ordinate: National level Apex body (A Conglomerate of Pensioners' Organizations) to coordinate between Sr. Citizens & Pensioners' Organizations at all levels

Consolidate: Create a strong conglomerate at National level with different Organizations agreeing to fight jointly & severally for common issues, without disturbing identity & internal independence of participants

Empowerment: Sr. Citizens & Pensioners Organizations to empower their Members through dissemination of information, awareness & education through personal contacts, journals & Web sites. Link & network Organizations. Streamline existing resources like Journals, Web sites etc., and create a network. Share Thoughts, Information & Resource.

Remember!

Three Stages of every great work i.e. Insult, Opposition & Success
Fools quit at first stage, intelligent reach stage three.

Self- Attestation of Documents

The Government has received representations/grievances/complaints from general public regarding non-acceptance of self-attested documents by the Officials. Two references of public grievances were received on non-acceptance of self-certification by different Authorities. A number of applications under RTI Act, 2005 seeking clarification on the subject have also been received.

Department of Administrative Reforms & Public Grievances has been requesting

States, UTs and Central Ministries to adopt self-certification and for abolition of Affidavits and several communications have been sent in this regard.

This was stated by the Minister of State for Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions and Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office Dr. Jitendra Singh in a written reply to a question by Dr. R.Lakshmanan in the Rajya Sabha today. Source: PIB Release, 07.05.2015.

Newly Enrolled Members

Name (Smt./Sri)	Designation & Office in which last worked	Type & No.
1 S.Srinivasan	Foreman(Gaz), COAL, Ministry of Defence, Bangalore	ALM 2279
2 T.R.Maya	Senior Accountant, AG's Office, Bangalore	ALM 2280
3 V.Sundaram	Senior Geologist, Geological Survey of India, Bangalore	ALM 2286
4 Y.Venkataramana Rao	Chief Ticket Inspector, Grade II, Railways, DCM-VSKP E.Co.Rly	ALM 2287
5 T.R.Anantha Ramu	Senior Geologist, Geological Survey of India, Bangalore	ALM 2288
6 Range Gowda	BCR Sorting Assistant, BG City RMS	LM 2289
7 G.Dhayala Murthy	Chief R S Engineer, GM's Office, S Rly, Chennai	ALM 2290
8 C.R.Jayasimha	BCR PA, O/o CPMG, Bangalore	LM 2291
9 R.Lalithamma	Senior Accountant, O/o DAP, Bangalore	LM 2292
10 Sunanda.N.Pai	LSG PA, O/o CPMG, Bangalore	LM 2293
11 N.L.Raghava	Public Relations Officer, Vijayanagar P.O. Bangalore	LM 2294
12 M.K.Shobha	TBOP PA, Rajajinagar HO, Bangalore	LM 2295
13 H.Kariyanna	Senior Geologist, Geological Survey of India, Bangalore	ALM 2296
14 C.Devaprasad	Director(NFSG), Geological Survey of India, Bangalore	ALM 2297

LM: Life Member

ALM: Associate Life Member

Donations received for Association

LM/ALM	Name (Smt./Sri)	Rs/-
2157	V. Gopal	10000

**Central Government Holiday in AUGUST,
2015 - Independency Day 15-8-2015,**

PENSIONERS' CHAMPION

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

LM/ALM	Name (Smt./Sri)
1250	V.Srimathi
1430	C.Raman Kutty
1749	M.Pari
2028	D.Srinivasa Reddy

Sri N.Bhaskaran, Veteran of P&T Trade Union and Pensioners' Movement in Karnataka, honoured by Karnataka State Govt. Pensioners' Association

In a rare gesture, Karnataka State Retired Employees' Association, Bangalore, in coordination with Banks, Apollo Pharmacy & Government of Karnataka, Department of Kannada and Culture, honoured Sri N.Bhaskaran, a Veteran P&T Trade Union Leader and Founder Secretary of Karnataka Posts and Telecommunications Pensioners' Association, Bangalore, along with a host of Leaders of Karnataka State Government Pensioners' Association, in a colourful function arranged to felicitate Pensioners of 80 years of age, at the Association's Office, Cubbon Park, Bangalore, on 25-6-2015.

Justice N.Venkatachala, Retired Judge, Supreme Court and former Lokayuktha, Karnataka, inaugurated the function. Sri B.P Manje Gowda, President, Karnataka State Government Employees Association, was the Chief Guest. Sri D.N.Sampath, President, Karnataka State Pensioners' Association presided over the function. Sri Revannasiddaiah, General Secretary, organised the function.



Sri N. Bhaskaran being honoured by Justice N. Venkatachala



Sri N. Bhaskaran, second from left, with Sri Revannasiddaiah and Sri D.N. Sampath, fourth and fifth from left.

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**Working Office: 165, 4th Main, 3rd Block, 3rd Stage, Basaveshwaranagar,
Bangalore-560079**

Notice of the Special General Body Meeting

Notice is hereby given that a Special General Body Meeting of Karnataka Posts and Telecommunications Pensioners' Association, Bangalore, will be held on Saturday the 22nd August, 2015 at 10 a.m. in "Pensioners Bhavan" No. 61/1, 1st Main, 11th Cross, Telecom Layout, Srirampura Phase II, Off NH 7, Bellary Road, Bangalore-560064, to transact the following business

1. Change of Editor/Publisher of the Association's Journal *Pensioners' Champion*

2. To consider and approve amendment to "Memorandum of Association" of Memorandum of Association & Rules and Regulations of the Association, with or without amendments, as proposed by the Executive Committee.

Amendment proposed by the Executive Committee to the Memorandum of Association to be passed at the Special General Body Meeting to be held on 22-8-2015					
SI No.	MA No.	As existing at present	Amendment proposed	As it will appear after amendment	Reason for the amendment
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	2	The Registered Office of the Assn. shall be located at # 1397, 23 rd Main, 27 th Cross, B S K II Stage, Bangalore-560070	The Registered Office of the Assn. shall be located at "Pensioners' Bhavan" # 61/1, 1st Main, 11th Cross, Telecom Layout, Srirampura Phase II, Bangalore-560064	The Registered Office of the Assn. shall be located at "Pensioners' Bhavan" # 61/1, 1st Main, 11th Cross, Telecom Layout, Srirampura Phase II, Bangalore-560064	The Association has constructed a building of its own in Telecom Layout, at the address given in col. 4. Hence, with a view to have a Permanent Registered Office for the Assn, it is Proposed to change the location of the Regd. Office of the Association to its own building

All Life Members of the Association, including Associate Life Members, are requested to attend the Special General Body Meeting at 10 a.m. on 22-8-2015.

Bangalore
21-7-2015

K.B.Krishna Rao
Secretary, Karnataka P&T Pensioners' Association,
For & on behalf of the Executive Committee

**Reimbursement for purchase of Hearing-Aid under CSMA and CGHS
(Gol, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Department of Health and
Family Welfare, O M No.S.14025/10/2002/MS Dated the 26th May, 2015)**

*Revision of rate and guideline for reimbursement of expenses on
purchase of Hearing-Aid Under CS(MA) Rules, 1944 and CGHS*

With reference to the above mentioned subject the undersigned is directed to refer to the Office Memorandum of even no dated 21.03.2012, 17.11.2006 and 28.10.2002 and OM No S.14025/36/93/MS dated 26.03.94 and 17.08.99 and to state that on the basis of recommendation of an Expert Committee, it has been decided to revise the rates and guidelines for hearing-aids to be reimbursed under CS(MA) Rules, 1944 and CGHS.

2. The revised ceiling rates fixed for various types of hearing-aids (for one ear) are as under:-

- | | |
|-------------------------|-------------|
| • Body worn/Pocket type | Rs. 3000/- |
| • Analogue BTE Digital | Rs. 7000/- |
| • BTE Digital | Rs. 15000/- |
| • ITC/CIC | Rs. 20000/- |

The cost of hearing-aids shall include all taxes, in including VAT and shall carry 3 year warranty. The cost of analogue BTE/ Digital BTE/ITC/CIC type hearing-aid shall also include the cost of hearing mould.

3. Beneficiaries covered under CS (MA) Rules CGHS shall be eligible to obtain hearing-aid as per the following guidelines:

- (i) Patients/Beneficiaries should be properly referred to CGHS/Government Hospital ENT Specialist from the parent CGHS Wellness Centre (A computerized referral printout should be made wherever computerization has been done).
- (ii) It would be mandatory to carry CGHS Beneficiary's ID card (in original) whenever the CGHS Beneficiaries visit the CGHS/Govt. ENT Specialist for consultation and Audiometric test.
- (iii) The ENT Specialist of CGHS /Govt. Hospital shall then recommend a hearing-aid on basis of Audiometric and Audiological assessment, specifying the type of hearing-aid most suited for the

Beneficiary. The 'Audiogram report' shall be authenticated by the ENT Specialist/ Consultant of the CGHS/Government Hospital.

4. The permission to procure hearing-aid shall be granted by the Additional Director(Zonal) of CGHS Zonal Office in case of CGHS Pensioner Beneficiaries and by the Head of Department/ Office in case of Serving Employees and CGHS Beneficiaries of Autonomous Bodies on the basis of recommendation of a CGHS/ Government ENT Specialist, and an 'undertaking' that the Beneficiary has not been reimbursed the cost of hearing-aid in the preceding five years.

5. Reimbursement claim shall be submitted to CGHS Zonal Office through the CMO Incharge of the concerned Dispensary by CGHS Pensioner Beneficiaries in the prescribed medical reimbursement claim form along with the following documents:-

- a) Referral letter from parent CGHS Wellness Centre (computerized slip where computerization is done already).
- b) Copy of 'prescription' of ENT consultant (CGHS/Govt.Hospital) with the 'Audiogram' report duly authenticated by the treating ENT Consultant (CGHS/ Govt).
- c) Copy of CGHS Card.
- d) Bill/Receipt (in original) carrying details of the hearing-aid seller i.e. NAME, QUALIFICATION and RCI/MCI REGISTRATION NUMBER of the hearing-aid seller.
- e) The 'permission letter' to purchase hearing-aid (in original).
- f) Empty Box/boxes or the Carton(s) with the label showing details of the hearing aid supplied.

In case of the other Beneficiaries, the medical claim shall be submitted to the

concerned Ministry/Department/Office. Reimbursement shall be limited to the ceiling rate or actual cost of the hearing-aid, whichever is less.

6. Records of permissions granted for procurement of hearing-aids shall be maintained by CGHS in respect of Pensioner CGHS Beneficiaries and by the concerned Ministry/ Department/ Office in respect of other Beneficiaries.

7. Replacement of hearing-aid may be permitted after 5 years on the basis of condemnation certificate issued by a technical expert and on

approval of CGHS/Government ENT Surgeon. Maintenance and repair will be the responsibility of the Beneficiary.

8. These Orders shall supersede all the earlier Orders issued on the subject.

9. The revised rates and guidelines shall come into force from the date of issue and shall be valid for a period of two years or till further revision, whichever is earlier.

10. This issues with the approval of Integrated Finance Division of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

(Sunil Kumar Gupta)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

Revision of Subscription for *Pensioners' Champion*

In pursuance of the decision taken at the Annual General Body Meeting of the Association held on 21-6-2015, the rate of Subscription for the journal "*Pensioners' Champion*" has been revised w.e.f 1-8-2015 as under.

	Existing	From 1-8-2015
Life Members/ Associate Life Members	Rs. 100/-	Rs. 120/-
Non-Member Subscribers	Rs. 120/-	Rs. 150/-

Note:1. The revised rate of Subscription is applicable to the renewals made on or after 1-8-2015

2. In respect of Subscriptions already made for more than one year, the revised rate would be applicable from the date of expiry of the validity of Subscription

For information required, if any & validity of Subscription, please contact Sri B.L.Channappa, Executive Committee Member on Phone: 08023236405

No Pension Commutation for Central Public Sector Employees

Gol, Ministry of Heavy Industries & Public Enterprises, Department of Public Enterprises,
O M F. No. W-02/0017/2014-DPE- – GL-IX/15 dated, 24th June, 2015

Subject: - Clarifications regarding Introduction of Pension Scheme and Post Superannuation Medical Benefits in CPSEs.

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Department OM of even number dated 21.05.2014 on the above subject and to state that para (xix) in the said OM may be read as under:

"In case of Pension Scheme, ideally there should be no provision of 'commutation' since the provision of pension in 2007 pay revision guidelines was introduced so that employees have social security and get substantial monthly pension after superannuation".

All other provisions of the said OM remain same.

(Samsul Haque)

Under Secretary

Emergency Facilities in CGHS Dispensaries

The CGHS Dispensaries have all the medicines required in emergency. As per the CGHS guidelines, a provision is there to keep medicines available to counter any medical emergency that might arise within the Wellness Centre. There is an Emergency Tray available with the nursing staff which contains most of the medicines required under emergency situation. The availability of the medicines with their valid date of expiry in this Emergency Tray is checked on a regular basis and also during surprise checks.

A complaint was received on 7.9.2013 from Shri R.C. Khuntia, the then Member of Parliament in respect of Pensioner Beneficiary, Shri B.K. Joshi regarding non-supply of life

saving drugs on time by CGHS Bhubaneswar. The delay in supply was due to non availability of cancer medicine with the authorized stockist.

In case the medicines are not available at the Wellness Centre, they are procured through local purchase. If any medicine is prescribed by the treating doctor that is required to be used immediately and if that medicine is not available in the Wellness Centre, authority slip is issued to the patient to collect the medicine from the authorized local chemist free of cost.

(Minister for Health and Family Welfare, Shre J.P. Nadda stated this in a written reply in the Rajya Sabha here today)

*PIB, dt: 12.5.15
MOH & FW, GOI*

**7th Central Pay Commission - latest information
In Pay Commission Website**

Further to the Memoranda received from a variety of Organisations, Federations, Groups representing civil employees in the Government of India as also from the Defence Services, the Commission has had fruitful and wide ranging discussions on relevant issues with all stakeholders. Such interactions have now been

concluded. Valuable inputs have been received and the work of compilation and finalization of the report is underway, so that the Commission completes its task in the time frame given to it. Accordingly, any future requests for meeting with the Commission will not be entertained.

In the Website of Central Govt. Employees News & Tools

As the 7th pay Commission itself declared that the work of compilation and finalization of the report is underway, it is the time for expecting the date on which the report will be submitted after it is finalized. The stipulated time for submitting the report is 18 months from the date of notification issued. In a resolution dated 28th February, 2014, Government of India has appointed the Seventh Central Pay Commission comprising Justice Shri Ashok Kumar Mathur as Chairman, Shri Vivek Rae as full time Member, Dr. Ratin Roy as part time Member and Smt. Meena Agarwal as Secretary. The 7th pay commission has been given 18 months' time from date of

its constitution to make its recommendation. Hence the tentative date for submission of Report will be 30th August 2015.

ALL INDIA CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

Month	CPI Base 2001=100	12 Months' Total	Monthly Ave.	% increase over 115.76
Dec. 14	253	2963	246.92	113.30
May 15	258	3038	253.17	118.70

By. K.B. Krishna Rao

Expected D R from 1-7-2015 = 119% (increase 6%)

**COORDINATION COMMITTEE OF
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**Proceedings of the Management Committee Meeting of Coordination Committee of
Central Government Pensioners' Associations, Karnataka (R) held on 31.5.2015**

The Management Committee Meeting was held at the Auditorium of Udayabhanu Kala Sanhgha, Kempegowdanagara, Gavipuram, Bengaluru 560019 at 1000 hrs on 31-5-2015.

Sri K.B. Krishna Rao Chairman presided over the meeting and conducted the proceedings.

Sri S.Radhakrishna, General Secretary welcomed the participants and informed that meeting will commence with a lecture on the subject "Leading Healthy Life After 60 Years" by Dr. Rajendir P Joshi, CMO, CGHS Wellness Centre, Koramangala, Bengaluru and introduced Dr. Joshi to the gathering. Then, Sri K.B.Krishna Rao, Chairman, CCCGPA, welcomed Dr.Joshi, Sri N.Bhaskaran, Advisor to CCCGPA, Representatives of Affiliate Assns. from Bengaluru, Udupi and Bijapur, and all others.

Dr. Rajendir P Joshi delivered his lecture along with a power point presentation of the subject, which was both educative and informative. He touched upon relation between health and life management. He said that health is not merely the absence of disease or infirmity, but a complete physical, mental and social wellbeing. He advised the audience to avoid preventable illnesses; enjoy life in the present tense; avoid premature death by leading life carefully. He described symptoms of some common old age ailments like diabetes, hypertension (BP) and other serious diseases like kidney failure, hyper/hypo thyroid, paralysis, cancer. He emphasized on importance of stress management after 60 years.

On conclusion of his lecture, Dr. Joshi was thanked and honoured by the Chairman. Dr. Joshi thanked the Management Committee for the honour and for arranging the lecture. His discourse was appreciated by all present.

Thereafter Agenda items were taken up for discussion:

1. Minutes of the Last meeting held on 21-12-2014 were adopted.

2. **AGB:** The Secretary said that in view of the construction activities going on in the premises of Uday Bhanu Kala Sangha, the date for holding the AGB cannot be fixed right now, but it will be held before the end of September by which time the venue for holding the AGB may be available. Exact date will be informed to all.

3. **Revision of Pension of Pre-2006 Pensioners:** The Chairman, Sri K.B.Krishna Rao, intimated that since all the SLPs filed by the Government before the Hon'ble Supreme Court have been dismissed, the issue has attained legal finality and the Government may have to now implement the O.M. dt. 28-1-2013 from 1-1-2006 instead of from 24-9-2012.

4. **7th CPC-** The General Secretary, Sri Radhakrishna, explained that tendering of evidence before 7th CPC by all Stakeholders is over except the one on minimum wages. One more sitting will be held on 9th June on this. CPC is likely to submit its report before 31.8.2015.

5. **CGHS:** The General Secretary informed that since the last meeting, CGHS rates of about 30 medicines and some diagnostic tests have been revised. There is improvement in empanelment of Hospitals also and now there are 14 Hospitals, 5 Diagnostic Centres, 3 Eye Care Centres and 4 Dental Clinics empaneled under CGHS.

5.1. Sri H.K.Mallya, President, Udupi District P&T Pensioners' Assn. expressed dissatisfaction over medical facilities available for Pensioners in other Cities. He wanted to know why CGHS Wellness Centres cannot be opened in other Cities or, if that is not done, what are the alternatives and what CCCGPA is doing about it. He stated that the demand regarding extension of CS (MA) Rules to Pensioners is pending since several

years and no serious action has been taken by CCCGPA in this regard. The General Secretary informed that Pensioners' Associations have been fighting on the issues. The Government is not agreeable to open new CGHS Centres at all. The reimbursement of medical expenses has been allowed for some pensioners who filed cases before CAT. Apart from that, Pensioners residing in non-CGHS areas can also avail CGHS benefits in case of hospitalization for serious illness. Chairman informed the Members that the proposal for introduction of a Health Insurance Scheme for Employees and Pensioners is under active consideration of the Government and the Scheme has been cleared by the NITI Ayog (Planning Commission) as revealed by the Govt. in the last meeting of SCOVA.

6. **Pension Adalat:** Members complained that Pension Adalat is not being held regularly by many Departments since 2 years. Sri Dabade, Secretary CGPA, Bijapur stated that Adalat must be held regularly whether there are grievances or not.

7. **Any other subject:** a) The General Secretary proposed that Shri B.Sadashiva Rao, Founder Chairman CCCGPA, may be nominated as Permanent Advisor to CCCGPA. His proposal was unanimously accepted.

b) Sri N.Bhaskaran suggested that as Udaya Bhanu Kala Sangha has undertaken construction of 'Silver Jubilee Memorial Building' we may contribute some money to them, which was agreed to by all. After discussion, it was decided to collect Rs.500/- each from Affiliated Associations and donate Rs.10,000/- to the Sangha during the AGB of CCCGPA.

c) BSNL Pensioners Welfare Association, Karnataka Circle, Bengaluru volunteered to host the next Management Committee Meeting to be combined with Annual General Body Meeting.

The Chairman thanked Sri T.V.Surya Praksh, Joint General Secretary, CCCGPA & Secretary, Coffee Board Pensioners' Association for fixing the Venue, Caterer and for making all arrangements, including arrangements for power point presentation by Dr. Joshi, which paved the way for a smooth conduct of the meeting. Sri T.V.Surya Prakash, proposed vote of thanks. The Meeting concluded at 1400 hrs with lunch.

News from Affiliates

Dakshina Kannada District Postal & Telecommunication Pensioners' Assn., Mangalore

The 20th Annual general Body Meeting of the Association was held on 14-6-2015 at the Recreation Club Hall of GM, DK Telecom Dist, Mangalore. Sri. M.A.Naik, President of the Assn. presided. Sri A.C.Abdul Karim, Vice President welcomed the gathering. Annual Report and Accounts for the year 2014-15 presented by Sri. V.G.Shettigar, Secretary, were approved after discussion

S/s S.V.Rao, Founder President, P.Harischandra Rao, former President, and M.A.Venkatachalam, former Secretary, were felicitated in a grand function arranged on the occasion.

Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan Retired Employees Association, Bangalore

Held its Half-yearly Convention- 2015, on 15-6-2015 at the Auditorium, Kendriya Vidyalaya, Malleshwaram. Dr.P.R.L. Gupta, Deputy Commissioner, KVS, Bangalore Region was the Chief Guest. Sri M.K.Joshi, President of the Association presided. Sri K.Uma Maheshwara Rao, Secretary, welcomed the Chief Guest and others present. Dr. Gupta in his speech informed that top priority was given to revision of pension of pre-2006 Pensioners and arrears due to them have been paid. Some Members of the Association were felicitated on the occasion. Variety entertainment programmes were conducted. Sri K.B.Krishna Rao, Chairman CCCGPA, Karnataka, who attended the convention, spoke about the Pensioners' demands before the 7th CPC.

Central Excise and Customs Pensioners Association, Bengaluru

Quarterly Meeting of the Association was held on 23-6-2015 at Ramakrishna Lodge, Gandhinagar, Bg. Sri N.N. Muninarayanappa, President of the Assn. presided over the meeting. Sri Durgaprasad, Secretary, welcomed all those present. A few Senior Members of 80 years of age were felicitated on the occasion.

Sri K.B.Krishna Rao, Chairman, and Sri S.Radhakrishna, General Secretary, CCCGPA, Karnataka, the Chief Guests,

addressed the gathering. In their speeches, they explained about the demands of the Pensioners included in the Memorandum submitted to the 7th CPC and the response of the Pay Commission on several issues. Initiative taken by CCCGPA in ensuring empanelment of Private Hospitals under CGHS in Bangalore was also explained. The Chief Guests were felicitated by the Association.

New Affiliate: EX-Service Men BSF Welfare Association Bengaluru, with postal address C/o STC BSF, AFS Post, Yelahanka, Bengaluru-560063 has become 23rd Affiliate of CCCGPA, President: D.Chandrappa Moolya M.: 9448060154 Mail id:dcmoolya@gmail.com

**BSNL
IDA**

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

*Gol, Ministry of Heavy Industries & Public Enterprises, Department of Public Enterprises,
O.M. No. W-02/002/2014-DPE (WC)-GI-XII/15 dated 3rd July, 2015*

In modification of this Department's O.M. of even No. dated 6.4.2015, 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:** 1.7.2015

(b) **Average AICPI (2001=100) for the quarter March 2015-May 2015**

December, 2014 254

January, 2015 256

February, 2015 258

Average of the quarter 256

(c) **Link Point:** 126.33 (as on 1.1.2007)

(d) **Increase over link point:** 129.67 (256 minus 126.33)

(e) **Revised DA Rate w.e.f. 1.7.2015:** 102.6% $[(129.67 \div 126.33) \times 100]$

2. The above rate of DA i.e. 102.6% 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 and 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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78.2% IDA Case Status

It is understood that the Cabinet note is under circulation and only the Department of Pension has conveyed their comments on the Cabinet Note. Department of Expenditure (Finance Ministry) had asked for some feedback. Their report is expected within a week. No comments have so far been received from Law Ministry or Department of Public Enterprises.

Source: BSNL Pensioners Welfare Association

OBITUARY

Sri A.G.Ramalingam, LM 1897, retired LSG Supervisor, Bangalore City RMS, expired on 3-7-2015 at the age of 85 years. He leaves behind his wife, two sons and 4 daughters.

Our heartfelt condolences to the bereaved.

PENSIONERS' CHAMPION

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JULY 2015

Subscription for Pensioners' Champion

Members with the Membership numbers listed below are requested to renew their Subscription for the period from July, 2015 to June, 2016 - Revised rate of Subscription w.e.f.1-8-2015, Rs. 120/-

7	442	685	912	1081	<u>1289</u>	1472	1595	1751	1883	2025	2131
24	448	<u>687</u>	934	<u>1095</u>	1308	1475	1597	1756	1885	2033	2135
67	449	710	938	1102	1327	1478	<u>1598</u>	1759	1891	2034	2136
69	466	737	946	1119	1328	1482	1605	1761	<u>1892</u>	2035	2137
70	470	740	952	1120	1343	1485	1608	1764	1907	2043	2142
<u>84</u>	478	743	953	1121	1350	1491	1609	1771	1909	2045	2148
106	<u>499</u>	747	954	1127	1358	1493	1610	1774	1913	2047	2150
113	505	751	959	1128	1365	<u>1499</u>	1616	1784	1918	2050	2153
162	507	768	962	1130	1370	1501	1619	1785	1920	2051	2154
163	512	774	963	1138	1372	1506	1628	1791	1922	2057	2159
165	521	777	965	1149	1373	1507	1649	<u>1798</u>	1938	2059	2160
178	523	781	967	1153	1380	1508	1652	1804	1942	2060	2161
<u>179</u>	527	782	968	1160	1383	1518	1658	1807	1947	2089	2164
220	541	<u>790</u>	979	1164	1389	1523	1660	1808	1950	2092	2167
265	542	800	981	1165	<u>1395</u>	1524	1671	1813	1958	<u>2094</u>	2170
293	551	801	988	1166	1400	1525	1683	1822	1960	2100	2171
294	553	813	992	1169	1401	1527	1696	1826	1971	2101	2173
<u>299</u>	554	814	995	1171	1409	1529	<u>1698</u>	1827	1975	2106	2176
310	559	821	<u>998</u>	1176	1418	1535	1701	1828	1980	2107	2177
316	576	824	1007	1178	1419	1555	1705	1834	1982	2109	
317	<u>593</u>	829	1016	1182	1427	1557	1710	1838	1986	2114	
322	610	832	1020	1186	1428	1558	1716	1842	1987	2117	
327	627	850	1022	1189	1439	1559	1722	1846	1994	2120	
335	632	869	1034	1197	1453	1569	1730	1847	1996	2122	
355	649	876	1051	<u>1198</u>	1459	1572	1732	1852	<u>1999</u>	2124	
363	650	<u>899</u>	1054	1237	1463	1575	1740	1861	2010	2126	
<u>398</u>	663	906	1064	1252	1465	1577	1745	1872	2017	2129	
428	674	909	1066	1253	1471	1578	1750	1873	2018	2130	

Subscription of Rs. 100/- received for Pensioners' Champion in May-June - 2015

LM/ALM	Name (Smt./Sri)	LM/ALM	Name (Smt./Sri)	LM/ALM	Name (Smt./Sri)
58	G.V.Jagannatha	955	K.R.Jayaraman	1673	D.D.Thilakaraj
221	M.K.Venkatesh	1000	I.R.Prakash	1733	S.C.Bose
289	P.Chakrapani	1137	A.Shivaraman	1742	K.C.Sayinarayana
401	H.V.Shivaswamy	1146	M.S.Ranganathan	1778	C.N.Krishnamachar
486	M.G.Nanjunda Swamy	1230	R.Bhuvanewari	1780	B.L.Narasimha Swamy
564	N.Sethumadhava Rao	1247	M.S.Seshadri	1794	V.Sathyarayanachar
686	Panchapakeshan K.S.	1258	Keval Krishen	1801	R.Prahladachar
700	S.Ramagopal	1292	V.Ranganatha Rao	1954	T.G.Thimmegowda
732	K.S.Gayathri	1304	Kalappa Devira	2019	V.S.Karanth
802	J.Ethiraj	1351	K.Mahadevappa	2038	S.R.Ramanna
815	V.S.Pai	1388	G.Gopal	2048	S.Sugumaran
837	P.G.Bhatta	1487	M.Thamees Deen	2201	S.C.Bhavi
870	G.K.Rukmangada	1510	Ananthapadmanabhaiah	2217	H.Raghurama Ganiga
891	T.Sriramulu	1536	A.G.Kulkarni (total 300)		
898	K.R.Purushothaman	1636	G.Gopala Rao		

Subscription of Rs. 120/- received for Pensioners' Champion

LM/ALM	Name (Smt./Sri)
S-21	John Kor
S-35	K.Markandeshwar Rao
S-101	V.Padmanabhan
S-113	V.N.Habbu
S-140	R.K.Shankar
S-190	V.G.Nanjkar
S-240	K.Narayana Rao

Subscription of Rs. 200/- received for Pensioners' Champion

LM/ALM	Name (Smt./Sri)
205	L.Narayana
817	K.S.Venugopalan
1042	R.Susheelendra
1097	V.V.T.Mudaliar
1265	K.Sivadass
1488	M.S.Krishnamurthy
1517	K.M.G.Warrier
1542	K.V.Suryanarayanaiah
2117	K.Srinath
2123	V.S.Ramamurthy
2127	A.C.Dhingra (225)
2194	Mala Narasimhamurthy
S-205	P.M.A.Dhanaraj(240)

Subscription of Rs. 150/- received for Pensioners' Champion

LM/ALM	Name (Smt./Sri)
268	Y.L.Vasudeva Rao
397	K.Venkata Rao
928	B.Basavaiah
982	B.V.Subba Rao
1207	K.Sunitha

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

LM/ALM	Name (Smt./Sri)
114	P.Sadashiva Chadaga
616	K.V.Bhima Rao
723	N.C.Joga Rao
1024	R.Balaji Singh
1044	R.V.Sathyararayana
1052	M.N.Seshadri
1078	N.Rajendran
1213	R.Badrinath
1341	D.S.Srinivasa Rao
1420	P.K.Prabhu
1445	Kamalchandra Sharma
1580	B.A.Jayaramu
1684	S.V.Iyer
1871	C.S.Madhyastha

1. CGHS Facility to P&T Pensioners who were not participating in CGHS while in service

Ministry of Health vide its OM No. S-11011/46/95-CGHS-D11/CGHS (P) dated 1-8-1996 stated that " **P&T Pensioners who were not participating in CGHS while in service are not to be extended this facility**"

Hence, P&T pensioners who were not beneficiaries of CHGS at the time of their retirement were denied this facility even if they were living in areas covered under CGHS.

Late Sri N.Nanjundaiah & some other Members, under the guidance of Sri B.Sadashiva Rao, former President, K P&T PA, filed applications before CAT, Bangalore, which were allowed by the CAT. In its Judgement delivered on 20-11-2001 in MoH OA No. 304/2001, CAT held the MoH OM dated 1-8-1996 as "**discriminatory, arbitrary, unjust, and against the principles of law and violative of Article 14 & 16 of the Constitution**".

Writ petition filed by the Govt. before High Court of Karnataka was dismissed. Supreme Court refused to grant Stay on the Orders of the High Court.

Consequently, CGHS issued temporary cards, to be renewed once in 6 months, to the Applicants, pending disposal of the case in Supreme Court. This is still continuing.

SLPs **10109 to 10121 of 2010**, filed by the Govt. before the Supreme Court were dismissed on **22-8-2014**.

Extract of the Order

Upon hearing the Counsel, the Court made the following Order

No steps are taken to remove the defects in the application filed for bringing the LRs of the deceased respondent on record though sufficient time has been given for this purpose. No further time can be granted. Since

the application which is filed is not in proper form and has many defects as pointed out by the office in its report, such an application is dismissed for this reason. As a consequence, special leave petitions are dismissed as abated qua deceased respondents as per office report date 10th March, 2014

(Deepak Mansukhani)
Court Master

(Tapan Kumar Chakraborty)
Court Master

Since the case has attained legal finality consequent upon dismissal of the SLPs by the Supreme Court and as sufficient time has elapsed since dismissal of the SLPs on 22.8.2014, CGHS will have to now issue Permanent Cards to the Applicants and other P&T Pensioners, who have been issued with temporary CGHS Cards. K P&T PA will pursue the matter with the Additional Director, CGHS, Bengaluru and also will take up the matter with the Ministry of Health & FW, requesting it to withdraw its letter dated 1.8.1996. CGHS Beneficiaries, who have been issued with temporary cards, may write to the Addl. Director, CGHS, requesting for issue of Permanent Cards in view of the Supreme Court Order cited above. Members may contact the Secretary, K P&T PA for further information required, if any.

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

OA 655/2010, with MA 3857/2014 of Principal Bench New Delhi – The case which came up for hearing on 27-5-2015 was adjourned with directions to 19-8-2015

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 with MA 265/2015 & 2353/2014, before CAT Principal Bench, New Delhi.— **Application allowed, Orders Pronounced on 21-4-2015. Extract of relevant paras in page-11 of Pensioners Champion May 2015 issue**

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 6-7-2015, Adjourned with directions to post the case before Appropriate Bench on 24-7-2015

5. Complete parity in pension between pre-2006 & post 2006 retirees.

OA.937/2010 filed by All India S-30 Pensioners' Association & OA 2101/2010 were allowed by a common Order passed by CAT, Principal Bench, New Delhi, on 20-11-2014. Extract of the Order given in page 4 of *Pensioners' Champion*- December 2014.

Government has filed a Review Application. RA 10/2015 came up for hearing on 8-7-2015 before the CAT Full Bench. Adjourned to 5-8-2015

**CGHS
Order**

Linking of Aadhaar No. with CGHS Beneficiary ID

*Gol, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare,
O.M. No. Z-15025/11/2015-Dir (CGHS) dated the 10th July, 2015.*

As you are aware, CGHS is in the process of introducing web-based services for its Members. In this context, it is necessary to link Aadhaar number with the CGHS Beneficiary IDs of all Beneficiaries before such services can be launched.

2. The procedure for doing so is as follows:

(i) **Through CMOs-in-charge Module**- Beneficiary can visit CMO-in-charge of his Dispensary with Aadhaar Card to get his and family members Aadhaar registered.

(ii) **Registration of Aadhaar number by Beneficiary himself**- Following steps to be followed:

- Log on to cghs.nic.in
- Click - 'Click here to view beneficiary details'

- Click 'login with Ben Id'
- To get password click - 'Generate Password'
- Enter details and a password will be sent on the registered mobile phone no. of the beneficiary
- Enter Ben Id and Password and sign in
- Click - 'update Aadhaar number'
- Enter Aadhaar number for all family members and save.

3. This is an important initiative and is being monitored as a part of Pragati. It is, therefore, requested that all employees of the Ministries/ Departments may be motivated to seed their Aadhaar numbers through either of the modes mentioned above.

4. Co-operation of all Ministries/Departments in this regard would be highly appreciated.

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