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Payment of arrears of Dearness Relief (DR) to Postal Pensioners.

**K P&T PA submits Memorandum to Sri Vineet Pandey, Secretary, Department of Posts
on 7-11-2022 in Bengaluru**

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Smt. N. Nagalakshmi, Vice- President KPTPA, presenting the Memorandum.

Sri S. Rajendra Kumar, CMPG, Karnataka Circle (right) and Sri L.K. Dash, PMG, SK Region (left) are seen

DIGITAL LIFE CERTIFICATE CAMPS



Inauguration of DLC Camp at Sahakaranagar on 2.11.2022



DLC Camp at Vidyaranyapura, Bengaluru on 3.11.2022



DLC Camp at Mysuru on 6.11.2022



Inauguration of DLC Camp at Chikkamagluru HPO by R. Srinivasa Rao the Postmaster on 5.11.2022



DLC Camp in Nemmadi Vishranti Dhama, Vidyamanaynagar, Andhrhalli, Bengaluru on 16.11.2022



DLC Camp at Hassan on 4.11.2022



DLC camp at Sahakaranagara on 2-11-2022



DLC camp at DRDO Complex on 9-11-2022

Submission of life certificate by Pensioners Marvellous service by the EC members / members of Karnataka P&T Pensioners 'Association

It is heartening to note that many EC members and members of the Association volunteered to assist the pensioners to submit their life certificate in October and November 2022. In October, they visited the residences of about 300 pensioners aged 80 and above, two aged 100 years, some of them infirm, bedridden, wheelchair-bound and helped them to submit their life certificate within the confines of their homes. They visited many Old Age Homes also.

Making use of the Face Authentication technology launched by the Department of Pension and Pensioners' Welfare in collaboration with Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) & Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MietY), the volunteers helped thousands of pensioners/family pensioners in submission of their Annual Life Certificates for further continuation of payment of their pension. The face authentication technology based on Aadhaar, using Android based smart phones resulted in quick and hassle free submission of life certificates. The service of the volunteers was highly appreciated by the pensioners.

Digital life certificate camps were organised by the association in coordination with Coffee Board Pensioners association in Bengaluru City and in other cities like Mysuru, Hassan, Shivamogga and Chikkamagaluru in which hundreds of pensioners participated. We are extremely glad to note that the Department of Posts, O/o the Postmaster General, South Karnataka region, Postmaster Sarwathipuram HPO, and Postmaster Chikkamagaluru HPO facilitated the volunteers of the association in successfully conducting the DLC camps.

The volunteers : S/s T.V.Suryaprakash, Joint General Secretary, CCCGPA, Karnataka and Secretary Coffee Board Pensioners'

Association, V.Gopal, former Joint Secretary KPTPA, Vishwanatha Rao, K. Nagesh, A. Prakash, K.R.Anantha Ramu, V. Murugan, B. Nagaraju, N.M.Hegde, C. Ramakrishna Reddy, Executive Committee Members, D.Venkatesalu, former EC Member and R.S.N.Murthy, KCGPA, S.N. Hiremani and B.S. Chandrashekar, Members. They have been on the job throughout October 22 and for 20 days in November- on some days their endeavour stretching into the night also. Their selfless yeomen service for the Pensioner community is unparalleled and deserves great appreciation.

Total number of volunteers : 14

Total Camps organised: 23

Number DLCs submitted: 2178

Number of house visits:

Number DLCs submitted: 564

Total Number of DLCs generated

in camps & House visits: 2742

Service by the volunteers to thousands of pensioners and family pensioner's to submit their annual life certificate is, undoubtedly, an unparalleled record established by them during 2022.

This report will be incomplete if no mention is made about the helping hand extended by the Residents Welfare Associations, Old Age Homes, Pensioners Associations, many generous Individuals and Karnataka Posts. To mention a few, Sahakaranagar Residents Welfare Assn, Coffee Board Layout Residents Welfare Association, HMT Layout Residents' Welfare Society, Vinayaka Angla Madhyama School, Srinivasa nagar, Sai Baba Temple, NTI Layout, Chikkamagaluru – Head Post Office, Saraswathi Puram Head Post Office, Coffee Board Office, AG'S Office Layout RWA, Nemmadi Vishranthidhama, Monica Home,

Augustine Nivas, DRDO Pensioners Association, IA&AD Pensioners Association and individuals S/s M Ramakrishna, Devarajappa, Shivarama Shetty, Nagabhusanam, H.V. Prakash, Joshi, Kulakarni, K.N. Prabhakar, Ramesh Babu, Hande, Suryaprakash, of Sahakarnagar, and Mathiyazhagan, B.V. Ramesh, Dr. T.M. Veeraiah, Srinath, Nanjunde Gowda, K. Ramaiah, K.N. Kumar, T. Desikan, Secretary DRDO PA, and S. Radhakrishna, Secretary IA&AD PA.

The support extended by the above mentioned and many others not mentioned, greatly helped the association in organising so many DLC camps in Bengaluru and other

cities of Karnataka in coordination with Coffee Board PA, in which thousands of life certificates could be generated by using the face authentication technique launched by the Department of Pension for submission of annual life certificate for enhancing 'Ease of Living' for Pensioners. We extend our grateful thanks to all those who helped us in making this DLC campaign successful.

Our special thanks to Sri T.V. Suryprakash, Joint General Secretary, CCCGPA, Karnataka & Secretary Coffee Board Pensioners' Association, the architect of DLC camps.

Some photos taken in camps and house visits posted in pages 2 & 15

Holidays to be observed in Central Government Offices in Karnataka During the year 2023

| S.No. | Holiday | Date | Day |
|-------|---|------------|-----------|
| 1 | Makara Sankaranthi (Pongal) | 15/01/2023 | Sunday |
| 2 | Republic Day | 26/01/2023 | Thursday |
| 3 | Chaitra Sukladi/Gudi Padava / Ugadi / Cheti Chand | 22/03/2023 | Wednesday |
| 4 | Mahavir Jayanti | 04/04/2023 | Tuesday |
| 5 | Good Friday | 07/04/2023 | Friday |
| 6 | Id-ul-Fitr | 22/04/2023 | Saturday |
| 7 | Budha Purnima | 05/05/2023 | Friday |
| 8 | Id-ul-Zuha (Bakrid) | 29/06/2023 | Thursday |
| 9 | Muharram | 29/07/2023 | Saturday |
| 10 | Independence Day | 15/08/2023 | Tuesday |
| 11 | Ganesh Chaturthi | 19/09/2023 | Tuesday |
| 12 | Milad-un-Nabi or ID-E-Milad (Birthday of Prophet Mohammad) | 28/09/2023 | Thursday |
| 13 | Mahatma Gandhi's Birthday | 02/10/2023 | Monday |
| 14 | Dussehra (Mahanavami) | 23/10/2023 | Monday |
| 15 | Dussehra (Vijay Dashmi) | 24/10/2023 | Tuesday |
| 16 | Diwali (Deepavali) | 12/11/2023 | Sunday |
| 17 | Guru Nanak's Birthday | 27/11/2023 | Monday |
| 18 | Christmas Day | 25/12/2023 | Monday |

**Memorandum Presented to Sri Vineet Pandey,
Secretary, Department of Posts on 7-11-2022 in Bengaluru**

No. KPTPA/DR/2022

dated at Bengaluru

the 7-11-2022

Respected Sir,

Non payment of arrears of Dearness relief to Pensioners before the last working day of the month.

We are constrained to bring to your kind notice that arrears of Dearness relief payable to Pensioners consequent upon enhancement of the rate of DR from 1st January and 1st July, are not being paid immediately by the HPOs and are being paid only along with the pension for the month.

To quote an example, arrears of DR for 3 months from July 2022 to September 2022 due to be paid to Pensioners on issuance of an order by Department of Pension & Pensioners Welfare, vide its O M No. No. 42/07/2022-P&PW(D) Dated-8th Oct, 2022 enhancing the rate of DR from the existing rate of 34% to 38% w.e.f 01.07.2022 were not paid until the last working day of the month and were paid only along with the pension for the month of October paid on 31-10-2022

The reason given by the DDOs (HPOs) for non-payment is that the system does not allow off – cycle payments for Pensioners and therefore arrears can be credited only along with the pension for the month.

But, arrears of Dearness Allowance (DA) for 3 months were paid to the Employees and the GDS without any delay and before the last working day of the month. It is stated that the system allows off –cycle payment of DA to employees and GDS.

We have been given to understand that arrears of Dearness Relief for the period have been paid to Postal Pensioners in TAMILNADU CIRCLE and ODISHA CIRCLE. A few HPOs in Karnataka Circle and Andhra Pradesh Circle have also, reportedly, paid the arrears before the last working day of the month on which pension for the month was credited. This evidently disproves the often cited excuse that the” **system does not allow off-cycle payments**”.

It is, therefore, evident that Postal circles have a different approach regarding the issue of payment of arrears of DR to pensioners and it calls for action at the Directorate level to bring uniformity amongst all the Postal Circles in the country in payment of arrears to Postal pensioners.

Further, Postal pensioners drawing their pension through banks were paid the arrears by the banks concerned whereas others getting their pension from Head Post Offices were denied payment until the last day of October 2022

Arrears of Dearness Allowance (DA) admissible to the serving employees of Karnataka Postal Circle have been paid.

The discrimination between Postal employees and pensioners and between the postal pensioners drawing pension from Banks and Head Post offices in payment of arrears has caused much consternation among the pensioners.

We are of the view that when there is provision in the software system for payment of arrears of DA to employees and GDS, upgradation of the software to allow off- cycle payment of arrears of DR to pensioners must also be possible.

We, therefore, request for your personal intervention in the matter to ensure that the software is upgraded to allow payment of arrears of DR during the course of the month also and not only along with pension for the month. We hope that payment of arrears, arising due to enhancement of DR from 1st January, 2023 will be paid to pensioners within a reasonable time line with your kind intervention in the matter.

Bengaluru
7-11-2022

Thanking you Sir,
Yours faithfully,

G. Babu N. Nagalakshmi K B Krishna Rao
President Vice- President Secretary

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Department of Posts felicitates Smt. N. Nagalakshmi, Vice- President, KPTPA on her being conferred with “Anubhav Award-2021” by Govt. of India, Department of Pension and Pensioners’ Welfare in Bengaluru on 7.11.2022

At the initiative taken by the Secretary, Department of Posts, a felicitation function was arranged at the O/o the Postmaster General, South Karnataka Region, Bengaluru on 7.11.2022 to honour Smt. Nagalakshmi .

In a highly appreciable gesture, Sri Vineet Pandey, Secretary, Department of Posts, honoured Smt. Nagalakshmi and handed over the certificate issued by the Department of Pension and Pensioners’ Welfare, conferring the Anubhav award on her.

The association, utilising the opportunity, submitted a memorandum to the Secretary, DO Posts on non- payment of arrears of DR

to Postal Pensioners within a reasonable time after issuance of the order on 8.10.2022 by DoP&PW but crediting the arrears along with the pension for the month on 31.10.2022.

The memorandum signed by the President, Vice-president and the Secretary was handed over to the Secretary Dept. of Posts by Smt. Nagalakshmi. A copy of the memorandum was given to Sri S. Rajendrakumar, Chief Postmaster General, Karnataka Circle, who was present in the felicitation ceremony.

A copy the memorandum is also published in this journal for information of all Postal Pensioners.

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For the attention of RMS & MMS Pensioners

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Annual get-together of RMS & MMS Pensioners will be held on the 1st Sunday of the new year 2023 on 1-1-2023 at 10.00 a.m. Venue: Raghothaman Smaraka Bhavana, RMS Colony, RMV II Stage, Bangalore 560094 ALL RMS & MMS Pensioners are invited to attend.

Convenors: K.K. Gangadharan, Mobile: 9945976401 D. Venkatesalu: 9481812810

Appeal by KP&TPA: RMS & MMS Pensioners, who are not members of Karnataka P&T Pensioners’ Association, are requested to enrol themselves as members of the association. Application forms will be made available at the venue of the get-together. RMS & MMS Pensioners, who are members of the association, are requested to renew their subscription for the associations’ journal Pensioners’ Champion by paying their subscription at the venue.

PENSIONERS DAY SATURDAY, 17th DECEMBER, 2022

Pensioners Day will be observed on 17-12-2022 in coordination with CCCGPA, Karnataka.

Venue : Udaya Bhanu Kalasangha, Ramakrishna Ashram Layout, Kempegowda Nagar, Gavipuram Extn, Bangalore – 560019

Time: 10.00 a.m.

**Chief Guest : Dr K R Gangadharan, Chairman, Heritage Foundation
Global President, International Federation on Ageing (2012-15)
National President, Indian Society for Training and Development (2012-13),
Chennai**

All Pensioners are Welcome

Revision of rates of subscription under Central Government Health Scheme due to revision of pay and allowances of Central Government employees and revision of pension/ family pension on account of implementation of recommendations of the Seventh Central Pay Commission.

In partial modification to this Ministry's O.M. of even number dated 9th January, 2017, the undersigned is directed to say that entitlement of wards in private hospitals empanelled under CGHS as contained in Para 3(B) of the O.M. ibid stands revised as under with effect from the date of issue of this O.M.

| Sl. No. | Corresponding Basic Pay drawn by Officer in 7 th CPC per month | Ward Entitlement |
|---------|---|------------------|
| 1 | Up to Rs. 36,500 | General |
| 2 | Rs. 36,501 to Rs. 50,500 | Semi-Private |
| 3 | Above Rs. 50,500 | Private |

2. This issues with the concurrence of the Department of Expenditure vide their I.D. Note No. 18(1)/EV/2016 dated 11th May, 2022 read with I.D. Note dated 6th October, 2022.

Under Secretary to Govt. of India

Volunteers to work as "Pensioners' Representatives" in the CGHS Advisory Committees in Wellness Centres and in Polyclinic for the Two-year term from January 2023 to December 2024.

The Coordination Committee of Central Government Pensioners' Associations, Karnataka has addressed its Affiliate Associations connected with CGHS to call for volunteers from among their

Members to work as "Pensioners' Representative" in the Advisory Committees in CGHS Wellness Centres and Polyclinic for the Two-year term from January 2023 to December 2024. Applications in this connection from Members of Karnataka P&T Pensioners' Association are also invited. Members volunteering to work in the post are requested to furnish the under mentioned particulars in their applications:

(1) Name of the volunteer (2) Office from which retired (3) Wellness Centre in which he desires to work (4) Address (5) Landline/mobile phone numbers (6) Email ID. The Member should be a beneficiary of the respective Wellness Centre (except Polyclinic) in which he /she desires to be a Member of the Advisory Committee. The application should reach the Secretary, Karnataka Post and Telecommunications Pensioners' Association #165, 4th Main, 3rd Block, 3rd Stage, Basaveshwaranagar, Bangalore 560079 by Speed Post before 15-12-2022

Central Govt Holiday in December, 2022

Christmas Day 25-12-2022 Sunday

Extension of date for submission of Acceptance letter for terms and conditions of revised MoA by already empanelled hospitals under CGHS and the validity of empanelment till 31 December 2022

With reference to the above mentioned subject, the undersigned is directed to draw attention to the OM No S- 11011/09/2022/CGHS (HEC) dated the 13 September 2022 and 30th September 2022 vide which orders were issued for submission by the HCOs already empanelled under CGHS of acceptance letter for the terms and conditions of revised MoA by 15th October 2022 to the concerned Additional Director, CGHS. Since then this Ministry is in receipt of representations from various quarters for extension of time. A meeting was held on 7th October 2022 in this regard and based on the interaction with HCOs the matter has been reviewed by the Ministry and the under signed is directed to state that:

- i). The date for submission of the acceptance letter has been extended up to 31st December 2022
- ii). The validity of empanelment of the private HCOs under CGHS has been extended till 31st December 2022 as per the terms and conditions of existing MOA.
- iii). If any new HOCs are empanelled under revised MoA, the same terms and conditions of the existing MoA shall be made applicable for the sake of uniformity.

The Additional Directors, CGHS are advised to bring the contents of this letter to the notice of all empanelled HCOs

IDA
Order

Govt, Ministry of Finance, Department of Public Enterprises,
O M No. W-02/0002/ 20 14-DPE(WC)-GL-XIV/2022 Dated: the 6th October, 2022

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. 01.01.2007 - Payment of IDA at revised rates

The undersigned is directed to refer to the para 6 and Annexure II (B) of DPE's OM dated 26-11-2008 wherein the rates of DA payable to the Board level and below Board level executives and non-unionized supervisors of CPSEs have been indicated. The rate of DA payable to the Executives and non-unionized supervisors of CPSES w.e.f 01.10.2022 for 2007 pay scales is 195.8%

2. The above rate of DA i e. 195.8% would be applicable in the case of IDA employees who have been allowed revised pay scales (2007) as per DPE O.Ms. dated 26.11.2008, 09.02.2009 and 02.04.2009.
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.
4. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority. Naresh Kumar

Under Secretary

**Document regarding income required to be submitted
for deciding eligibility for grant of family pension
under Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules 2021**

The undersigned is directed to say that Department of Pension has notified the Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules 2021 in supersession of the Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules 1972. Rule 50 of the Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules, 2021 deals with the payment of family pension on death of a Government Servant/pensioner.

2. In accordance with Rule 50(12) of the Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules, 2021, family pension to a member of the family (other than spouse) of a deceased Government Servant/pensioner is paid/continued if he/she is not earning his/her livelihood. A member of the family, other than a son or a daughter or a sibling suffering from a mental or physical disability, is deemed to be earning his or her livelihood if his or her income from other sources is equal to or more than the minimum family pension (i.e. Rs 9000/- per) and the dearness relief admissible thereon. However, a child/sibling suffering from a mental or physical disability is deemed to be not earning his or her livelihood, if his or her overall income from sources other than family pension is less than the entitled family pension and the dearness relief admissible thereon, payable on death of the Government Servant or pensioner concerned.

3. In order to decide the eligibility for family pension, a member of the family, other than the widow or widower of the deceased Government Servant or pensioner, is required to submit, along with the claim for family pension, a copy of the last Income Tax Return filed by the said member of the family with the Income Tax Department. In case the said member of family informs that he or she has not filed the Income Tax Return with the Income Tax Department, he or she shall submit a certificate of income from a sub-divisional magistrate. In case the member of the family is not able to submit either a copy of Income Tax Return or a certificate of income from a sub-divisional magistrate, the Head of Office may rely on any other document produced by the said member of the family in support of his or her claim regarding income and decide the eligibility of the said member of the family for family pension accordingly.

4. All Ministries/Departments are requested that the above provisions relating to documents regarding income required to be submitted for deciding eligibility for grant of family pension under Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules, 2021 may be brought to the notice of the personnel dealing with the pensionery benefits in the Ministry/Department and attached/subordinate offices there under, for strict implementation.

Vishal Kumar
Under Secretary to Gol

BSNL IDA

IDA From 1-7-2022, 190.8% (5.5% increase over April, 22 rate of 185.3%)

IDA From 1-10-2022, 195.8 % (5% increase over July 22 rate of 190.8%)

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OBITUARY

M.S. Krishnamurthy, LM 135, Retd LSG Driver MMS Bengaluru expired on 28-10-2022 at the age of 88 years. Popularly known as MSK, Krishna Murthy was a member of the Executive Committee of KP&TPA for many years and was closely associated with its progress over the years. He was actively involved in construction of the association's building 'Pensioners' Bhavan' and its Annexe.



While in service in Mail Motor Service, (MMS - Department of Posts) he was a staunch unionist and was the Divisional Secretary of MMS Union for many years. He was also a member of the CHQ and Circle Union. MSK, was one of the Union leaders who wanted to establish close Coordination & Cooperation between RMS and MMS Unions and would always insist that in the meetings, the leaders who addressed them, referred to the union as "RMS&MMS Employees Union". He was closely associated with great leaders like the late Com A. Raghothaman, the late Com C.V. Ananda and Com N.Bhaskaran. His death is a great loss to KP&TPA and Unions.

S.N. Honnalli, LM 829, Retd AE WTR Mumbai, expired on 19-10-2022 at the age of 90 years.

B.K. Lakshmanan, ALM 2464, Retd. Scientist - F, GTRE, DRDO, MoD, Bangalore, expired on 7-10-2022

Sri G.L.Chandrashekara Rao, ALM 1540, ret. Head Draftsman, Central Water Commission, Hyderabad, expired on 13.10.2022 at the age of 94 years.at the age of 78 years.

V. Prabhakara, ALM 1843, retired Technical Asst-F, Atomic Energy, Bangalore expired on 12-11-2022 at the age of 72 years.

The Executive Committee of K P&T PA conveys its heartfelt condolences to the members of the bereaved families

Government of India, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions
(Department of Personnel & Training), Establishment (Pay-I) Section
OM. Dy.No.2455223/22-Estt. (Pay-I) Dated 22.11.2022

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Representations seeking notional increment and revision of consequential pensionary benefits -reg.

The undersigned is directed to refer to your emails dated 20.08.2022, 30.08.2022, 07.09.2022, 12.09.2022 and 09.11.2022 regarding the grant of notional increment to the officials retired on 30th June after completing one year of service.

2. In the wake of recent orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in cases involving claims for 'grant of notional increment on 1st July / 1st January to the Central Government employees having their date of retirement on 30th June/31st December respectively, the subject matter is under examination, in consultation with the nodal Ministries/Departments concerned.

Shukdeo Sah
Under Secretary to the Gol

To
Shri Ramsahay Vijaya Vargia,
E-mail ID: rsviayvargia@gmail.com.

APPEAL FOR DONATIONS FOR THE BUILDING FUND

We appeal to our **Members who have not yet paid** their contribution to the building fund please to remit their donation. 72nd list of donations is published in this issue.

New members are also requested to donate generously to the building fund

Amount may please be remitted by *crossed cheque* payable to "Karnataka P&T Pensioners' Association". Cheques may please be sent to: Sri K.R. Anantha Ramu, No 1158, 7th Main, 7th Block, HMT Layout, Vidyanarayapura, Bangalore-560097 (Mob: 9448477129) or

Preferably, be credited to the Association's Bank Account:

Name: Karnataka P&T Pensioners' Association;

Bank: State Bank of India, Branch: HMT Layout branch, Vidyanarayapura, Bangalore
Current Account No. **64209078453, IFSC: SBIN 0040659**

INCOME TAX EXEMPTION: 50% of the amount of donation made to K P&T PA, is eligible for deduction in the gross total Income of the assessee under Section 80-G of Income Tax Act.

Please invariably inform us of the details of credit through a message or phone call on Mobile **No.09448477129 or 09483467750** to enable us to acknowledge the receipt of the amount and to send you a receipt.

Donation for the Building Fund - 72nd List October-November 2022

| SI No. | Name Sri/Smt. | Membership No. | Amount Rs. | Receipt No. | Progressive Total of donation |
|--------|--------------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-------------------------------|
| 1 | B.S.Wama | 2662 | 5000 | 5283 | 10000 |
| 2 | V.Murugan | 1970 | 2200 | 5196 | 15611 |
| 3 | N.S.Krishna Murthy | 1560 | 1000 | 5303 | 7500 |
| 4 | K.G.Krishna Murthy | 2704 | 1000 | 5300 | 2000 |
| 5 | V.Saraswathi | 3185 | 1000 | 5288 | |
| 6 | Narasimha Holla | 2503 | 1000 | 5304 | 6000 |
| 7 | Balaji Suresh | Well wisher | 500 | 5276 | |
| 8 | N.K. Shanker Rao | Well wisher | 500 | 5305 | |

List of donations received up to 31-03-2022 has been uploaded to the website of the association 'kptpa.org'. Donors are requested to visit the website and check-up whether their names have been correctly mentioned and the amount donated has been correctly indicated in the list. Discrepancies, if any, may please be informed to the Secretary on Phone - 08023230545 or mobile 9483467750.

Donation to the Association

| Sale of Books - 'Operation Khedda' | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------|-------|------|--------|
| 1 | Gadag Division | | 560 | 5271 | |
| 2 | PMG, HQ Region | | 4000 | 5279 | |
| 3 | Bellary Division | | 640 | 5280 | |
| 4 | PMG, Chennai City Region | | 5700 | 5281 | |
| 5 | RMS HB Division | | 616 | 5282 | |
| 6 | PMG, SK Region | | 9150 | 5284 | |
| 7 | Bagalkot Division | | 530 | 5299 | |
| | | Total | 21196 | | 44,477 |

Subscription received for Pensioners' Champion During October 2022

| Rs.180/- Smt./Sri | Rs.180/- Smt./Sri | Rs.200/- & 240/- Smt./Sri | Rs. 540/- Smt./Sri |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| S-348 M.K.Patwari 160 | 2911 Nagarathna | 2196 Narayan Janna 240 | 947 P. KothandaRaman |
| 1152 K.Sreedharan | 2896 Munavar Pasha | Naik | Rs.720/- Smt./Sri |
| 1224 M.B. Kulkarni | 2932 YR.Prakash | S-116 K.Ramachandran 240 | S-362 H.G. Ramanand |
| 2145 Md.Zackriah | Rs.200/- & 240/- Smt./Sri | Rs.360/- Smt./Sri | Rs.900/- Smt./Sri |
| 2167 M.Vijayakumar | 2522 G.Venkteshan | xxx Suresh | 1560N.S.Krishna Murthy |
| 2238 C.S.Chandrashekaraiah | 2927 Parashurama | | |

We Welcome the Following Newly Enrolled Members

| SI.No. | Name (Smt./Sri) | Designation & Office in which last worked | Type & No. |
|--------|------------------------|--|------------|
| 1 | M.Neelappa | Postman, Rajajinagar Head Post Office Bengaluru | LM 3180 |
| 2 | Kariyappa | Charge Hand, Mail Motor Service, Bengaluru | LM 3181 |
| 3 | H.S.Ramesh Babu | Enforcement Officer, Employees Provident Fund Organisation | ALM 3182 |
| 4 | Kulkarni Trimurthi | Engineering Assistant, All India Radio, Gulbarga | ALM 3183 |
| 5 | A.S.Sowbhagyamma | Postmaster, HSG I, Channapatna Head Post Office | LM 3184 |
| 6 | V.Saraswathi | Postwoman, Agaram Post Office Bengaluru | LM 3185 |
| 7 | T.N.Narayana Swamy | Assistant General Manager, Telephone House Bengaluru | LM 3186 |
| 8 | H.M.Sathyavathi | Sub Postmaster, Yelachenahalli Post Office, Bengaluru | LM 3187 |
| 9 | G.Honnappa | MTS, Bengaluru Packet Sorting Office, Bengaluru | LM 3188 |
| 10 | D.Ramani | MTS, HRO, Bengaluru Sorting Division, Bengaluru | LM 3189 |
| 11 | D.S.Shankaranarayana | Foreman(Gaz), Controllerate of Quality Assurance Electronics | ALM 3190 |
| 12 | M.Rajendran | Technician II, A.C Locomotives, Arakonam | ALM 3191 |
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| Month | CPI Base 2016=100 | CPI base 2001=100 | 12 Months total | Monthly average | 7th CPC | DR due |
| | | | | | % increase over 261.42 | |
| Dec 21 | 125.4* | 125.4x2.88= 361 | 4216 | 351.33 | 34.39 | 38% from July, 2022 |
| Sept 22 | 131.3 | 131.3x2.88 = 378 | 4405 | 367.08 | 40.42 | 38% from July, 2022 |

* linking factor for conversion of the index numbers of 2016 base year to 2001 base year: 2.88

DR due from 1.7.2022 : 38% [4% increase over 34% January, 2022]

DA/DR expected from 1.1.2023 - not less than 42%

Revision of rates of subscription under Central Government Health Scheme due to revision of pay and allowances of Central Government Employees and revision of pension/ family pension on account of implementation of recommendations of the Seventh Central Pay Commission-

In continuation of this Ministry's OM of even number dated 28.10.2022 (copy enclosed) on the subject cited above, the undersigned is directed to issue clarifications, with regard to several clarification requests received in this Ministry. The clarifications on such issues raised may be seen as under:

i) Issue Raised: Is this OM applicable to pensioners of autonomous bodies under CGHS too?

Clarification: Autonomous Bodies/ Statutory Bodies are provided only OPD facilities, under CGHS, on cost to cost basis. IPD treatment costs are borne by the concerned ABs/SBs through their own resources. Therefore, it is for the concerned ABs/SBs to whom CGHS facilities have been extended, to take a decision in the matter.

ii) Issue Raised: Is this OM applicable to pensioners who have retired prior to October 2022? Out of these retirees, some have given life time contribution while others contribute on a yearly basis.

Clarification: The OM dated 28.10.2022 has been issued with the approval of O/o Expenditure, M/o Finance, to rectify certain anomalies in the ward entitlement of beneficiaries post 7th CPC, as fixed

vide OM dated 09.01.2017. There is no change in the subscription rate as already fixed vide OM dated 09.01.2017.

iii) Issue Raised: Many pensioners who have retired on 31.10.2022 had applied for pensioners' card with contribution before 28.10.2022. What would be the status of their ward entitlement?

Clarification: There is no linkage between CGHS subscription and ward entitlement. Therefore, **all CGHS beneficiaries (Serving & Pensioners)** who are eligible for upgradation of their ward entitlement, according to the revised basic pay slabs, as mentioned in OM dated 28.10.2022, may apply for fresh CGHS card. However, medical claim cases for treatment taken by beneficiaries prior to 28.10.2022, will not be re-opened for the purpose of reimbursement with regard to revised ward entitlement (s).

2. This issues with the approval of Competent Authority

Hemalatha Singh
Under Secretary to the GoI

Revision of Pension from 1-1-2017 : Nine Associations present Memorandum to the Member(Staff), Department of Telecommunications

In a meeting with the Member(S), DoT on 17-10-2022, a memorandum was presented by the representatives of 9 associations on the demand for revision of pension of BSNL pensioners wef 1-1-2017.

The associations rejected the proposal of DoT for revision of pension with zero percent fitment and insisted on revision with 7th CPC fitment factor. Administration gave a power point presentation. The benefit would be 0.02% according to the presentation. BSNL was not

willing to give additional contribution for post-2017 retirees.

All Pensioners' associations in one voice rejected zero percent fitment factor.

Finally Member (S) said that DoT would not go ahead with zero percent fitment. But it can't be told what would be the percentage because higher-ups including Hon MoC have to be consulted in the matter. But delinking pension revision from pay revision is decided.

Outgoing Executive Committee Members honoured

Sri M.N. Gopinath Ex Vice-president, Sri V. Gopal, Ex Joint Secretary and Sri B.S. Ramachandra, EC member, were honoured at their residences by the association today the 25th October, 2022.

Sri G. Babu, President, Sri V. Murugan Joint Secretary and Sri Rangegowda, EC member, called on all the 3 at their residences and the President felicitated them with shawls garlands and fruit baskets. Sri Gopal joined the felicitations at Sri Gopinath's residence.

Sri Gopinath was elected as Vice-President in the Executive Committee meeting held immediately after the AGB on 13.7.2014 and held the post till 19.9.2022.

A Gentleman to the core, Sri Gopinath, who had held many important positions in the Department of Posts was most unassuming and was supportive in the functioning of KP&TPA. He had to step aside this time owing to his inability to attend physical meetings.

Sri Gopal, an affable friend, was elected as the Joint Secretary in the Executive Committee meeting held immediately after the Annual General body meeting on 4.6.2016.

He continued as JS till 9.10.2021 and resigned from the post citing personal reasons. The Executive Committee, most reluctantly, accepted his resignation on 9.10.2021.

During his stint as the Joint Secretary, KP&TPA, he played an active role in the functioning of the association and was

supportive of the decisions taken by the EC. He meticulously recorded the proceeding of the EC meetings and the Annual General body meetings. He efficiently compered the proceedings of the AGB and systematically conducted the programme of honouring the Pensioners aged 75 years in the AGB.

We are extremely glad that he continues to associate himself with the activities of the association and has volunteered to assist Pensioners in submission of their Digital life certificates.

Sri B. S. Ramachandra, was elected to the Executive Committee, KP&TPA in the AGB held on 4.6.2016 and was in the Committee until 19.8.2022. He did not file his nomination for election to the EC for the years 2022 - 25 for personal reasons.

His services to the association during his membership in the EC, have to be kept on record especially his service during the covid -19 periods of 2020,2021 and 2022.

Sri Ramachandra, liaised with the press, carried nearly 1800 copies of the association's journal Pensioners' Champion from the press in Tata Silk Farm, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru 560004 to Patrika Channel in Mysuru Road, Bengaluru 560026, for posting, that too, on his scooter in spite of the Secretary requesting him many times to take the books by an Auto rickshaw. He used to deliver spare copies of the journal to the Secretary's residence in Basaveshwara Nagar. His service to the association is commendable.

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M.N. Gopinath



B.S. Ramachandra



V. Gopal



Smt. N. Nagalakshmi, Vice-President,
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