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To

Shri J.S. Deepak, Secretary, DoT Sanchar Bhawan, 20, Ashoka Road, New Delhi – 110 001

Sir,

Sub: - <u>Inordinate delay in the extension of the benefit of 78.2% IDA merger to the pensioners – reg.</u>

We wish to bring the following to your kind notice, for favour of necessary action.

The DoT, vide letter no.61-01/2012-SU dated 10<sup>th</sup> June, 2013, has approved the revision of wages to the BSNL employees, based on 78.2% IDA merger. However, this benefit of 78.2% IDA merger has so far not been extended to the BSNL pensioners who retired prior to 10.06.2013.

The Forum of Unions and Associations is continuously insisting upon the DoT, for an early settlement of the issue. However, due to one reason or the other, the settlement of this issue is getting inordinately delayed. So far, the issue is not sent for the approval of the Cabinet.

Under these circumstances, we have come to know that presently the DoT is considering as to whether the 78.2% IDA merger of the pensioners of both BSNL and MTNL should also be linked or not. In this regard, we wish to bring to your kind notice that the benefit of 78.2% IDA merger is still not given to the serving employees of the MTNL. As such, extension of the benefit of 78.2% IDA merger to the MTNL pensioners does not arise at all. But in the case of BSNL pensioners, it is already more the two and half years since the benefit of 78.2% IDA merger is given to the serving BSNL employees.

Hence, we fervently request you to kindly do the needful, for obtaining necessary Cabinet approval for extending the 78.2% IDA merger benefit to the BSNL pensioners.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

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