No. 40-22/2011-Pen (B)  

Dated: 08-08-2011.

To  
All Heads of Telecom Circles/Telecom District/  
Other Administration Offices/  
Telecom Stores/ Telecom Factories.  
Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd.,

Subject: Clarification regarding grant of pension to the BSNL absorbpees covered under sub-rule 11(a) of Rule 37-A of CCS(Pension) Rules, 1972 who took VRS on completion of more than 10 years of qualifying service but less than 20 years.

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith a copy of DOT letter No. 40-08/2011-Pen(T) dated 08-07-2011 issued by the Department of Telecommunications on the subject mentioned above for information and further necessary action.

Encl: As above.

Yours faithfully,

{Signature}

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1. PPS to CMD, BSNL
2. PPS to DIR(HR)/ DIR(Enterprise)/DIR(Consumer Fixed Access)/DIR(Consumer Mobility)/DIR(Finance), BSNL Board.
3. All Executive Directors, BSNL.
4. All PGMs / Sr. GMs / GMs in BSNL, C.O.
5. DGM(A)/Pers)/(BW)/(Elect.)/(Arch.)/(SEA)/(EF)/(CA), BSNL, C.O.
7. DM(Pay Bi.)/(Cash)/(L&A), BSNL, C.O.
8. General Secretary, BSNL EU.
9. DM(OL), BSNL CO. It is requested that a Hindi version of this circular may be provided within 15 days.
10. Guard File.
No. 40-08/2011-Pen(T)
Government of India
Ministry of Communication & IT
Department of Telecommunications
(Pension Section)

Sanchar Bhawan, 20 Ashoka Road,
New Delhi- 110001
dated 8th July, 2011

Subject: Clarification regarding grant of pension to the BSNL absorbpees covered under sub-rule 11(a) of Rule -37A of CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972 who took VRS on completion of more than 10 years of qualifying service but less than 20 years.

A large number of references were received seeking clarification regarding grant of pension to the employees of Department of Telecom who have been absorbed in BSNL and took VRS after rendering more than 10 years but less than 20 years of pensionable service at the time of their retirement under the provisions of Sub-rule 11(a) of Rule 37-A of CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972. Accordingly, this department had referred the matter to Department of Pension and Pensioner's Welfare (DoP&PW) for clarification.

DoP&PW vide their I.D. no. 4/2/2011-P&PW(D) dated 2.6.2011 have clarified that since the linkage of full pension with 33 years of qualifying service has been dispensed with vide OM dated 2.9.2008, thereby any one retiring in terms of Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules, 1972 shall also be eligible for pensionary benefits as per revised rule 49. The revised rule 49 has no provision of pro-rata pension. Formal amendment to rule 37-A and rule 49 alongwith other rules is under process but the changes have been made effective with effect from 1.1.2006 vide OM dated 2.9.2008. They have further clarified vide their OM No. 38/06/2011-P&PW(A) dated 10.6.2011 that the provision in Rule 49(2) of CCS (Pension) Rules as amended vide notification No. 38/37/08-P&PW(A) dated 8.6.2011 on the basis of the orders issued after sixth CPC is self-explanatory and available on website pensionersportal.gov.in.

This issues in supersession to all the previous advices tendered to various CCAs on the subject.

(Deo Nath Sah)
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To,

1. PS to MoC&IT/MOS(C&IT)
2. Sr. PPS to Secretary (T)/Chairman, Telecom Commission, New Delhi
3. All Members/Advisors/Addl. Secretary/DDGs/JS,DoT, New Delhi
4. CMD, BSNL Corporate Office, Bharat Sanchar Bhawan, New Delhi
5. Sr.DDG, TEC, Khurshid Lal Bhawan, New Delhi
6. All Pr. CCA/CCA units, DoT

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8. All recognized Unions/Associations/Federations, DoT, New Delhi
9. DDG(Estt.), BSNL Co. Office, New Delhi
10. Director(IT), DoT, New Delhi - with the request to post this circular on the website of DoT.
11. Hindi Section, DoT, New Delhi - with the request to furnish the Hindi Version of the OM to upload in the website.
12. AO(PFP), DoT, New Delhi
13. Internal Audit Wing, DoT, New Delhi
14. All dealing hands in Pension Section, DoT, New Delhi

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