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To The Secretarγ, Department of Personnel & Training, New Delhi

Sir,

Sub: Grant of Notional increment to BSNL employees who were absorbed in BSNL from DoT Ref :

DoPT OM No.19/116/2024-Pers.Pol.(Pay)(Pt) dated 14/10/2024 DoT OM No.36-3/2019-Pen(T) dated 18/10/2024

May we draw your kind attention to the following on the above subject. Para 6 of the above-referred DoPT OM refers to the interim order of Hon. Supreme Court dated 6/9/2024.

Para 7 of the same OM states that the benefit applies exclusively to Central Govt. employees. DoT vide its OM dated 18/10/2024 (under reference No.2) endorsed the DoPT OM dated 14/10/2024 reiterated that "This OM is applicable to Central Government Employees only".

The interim order of Hon. Supreme Court dated 6/9/2024 was issued on MA Diary No.2400/2024 in SLP (C) No.4722/2021. This case is between Uol & Anr Vs M Siddaraj and 64 others who all retired from BSNL.

DoPT OM dated 14/10/2024 should be made applicable to BSNL retirees absorbed from DOT also who completed 365 days from the date of last increment upon retirement , having served with an unblemished record.

Excluding these retirees from the benefit would amount to contempt of court, as they are covered by the Supreme Court's interim order.

We request you, sir, to give suitable instructions to DoT to implement the order not only to Central Government Employees but also to those who were absorbed from DoT in BSNL. We shall feel obliged if we get a line of reply in this regard.

Thanking you

Yours faithfully

(V Vara Prasad) General Secretary.