No. 40-12/2016-Pen(T) Government of India Ministry of Communications Department of Telecommunications (Pension Section)

Dated | 5 February, 2017

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Revision of pension of pre-2006 pensioners - delinking of revised Pension from qualifying service of 33 years vide DoP&PW OM No. 38/37/08-P&PW(A) dated 06.04.2016 – Applicability to IDA pensioners of BSNL/ MTNL

The undersigned is directed to refer to above mentioned DoP&PW OM and to state regarding its applicability to IDA Pensioners that Pension revision of IDA pensioners/ family pensioners(pre-2007) was done pursuant to wage revision based on 2nd PRC recommendations w.e.f 01.01.2007 as per DoT OM No. 40-17/2008-Pen(T)-Vol.III dated 15.03.2011. Para 4.2 of this OM specifies that the revised pension in no case shall be lower than 50% of the minimum of the pay in the pay scale corresponding to the pre-revised pay scale from which BSNL pensioner had retired and there is no mention of pro-rata reduction of minimum pension so arrived at on the basis of pensioners having qualifying service of less than 33 years at the time of retirement. Annexure-I of the OM also mentions the minimum revised pension corresponding to each pre-revised pay scale.

- 2. Thus, it is hereby clarified that pro-rata reduction of the minimum revised pension (50% of the minimum of the pay in the pay scale corresponding to the pre-revised pay scale from which BSNL pensioner had retired) was not included in the pension revision order in respect of IDA pensioners vide DoT OM No. 40-17/2008-Pen(T)-Vol.III dated 15.03.2011. DoP&PW OM No. 38/37/08-P&PW(A) dated 06.04.2016 bears no relevance to IDA pensioners as it has been issued in partial modification of DoP&PW OM No. 38/37/08-P&PW(A) dated 28.01.2013 applicable to CDA pensioners.
- 3. It may be ensured that pension revision of all pre-2007 IDA pensioners w.e.f 01.01.2007, carried out on the basis of DoT OM No. 40-17/2008-Pen(T)-Vol.III dated 15.03.2011, has been done strictly according to the provisions contained in the said OM. In case of pensioners in respect of whom the revised pension has been fixed in accordance with the para 4.2 of the said DoT OM at 50% of the minimum of the pay in the pay scale corresponding to the pre-revised pay scale from which BSNL pensioners had retired, no prorata reduction is to be applied even if they had qualifying service of less than 33 years at the time of retirement.

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