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- # MTNL Karamchari Union (M: 9013135620)
- # MTNL Employees Welfare Union (M: 9868115485)
- # MTNL Karamchari Ekta Union (M: 9013185353)
- # Retired Telecom Officers' Welfare Association (M: 9968721515)
- # MTNL(DOT) Ex.Employees Welfare Association (M: 9968075051)
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To
The Secretary / D.O.T.
Min. of Communications
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Sanchar Bhawan
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Shri Pravin Kumar Purwar
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Subject :- Payment of arrears of revised pension and family pension of MTNL pre-2007
Combined pensioners and family pensioners for the period : 01/01/2007 to
30/09/2012.

Ref. :- (1) DOT's No.40-36/2011-Pen(T) dated 11.07.2012
(2) MTNL's No. MTNL/IRW/21(119)/2004/3 dated 01.10.2012
(3) CAT/Principal Bench, New Delhi OA No. 2703/2013 and Judgment
Dated 24/02/2015.

Sir,

The payments of above mentioned arrears have been kept pending for years together. During this long period of two and half years, both United Forum as well as some of its associated unions and associations including Retired Telecom Officers' Welfare Association (RTOWA) in particular made repeated representations for payment of arrears. But this was ignored with stark silence by DOT/MTNL. Our plea that the concerned retirees who are already in the fag end of their lives, can not afford to wait (and in fact, quite a few of them already died while waiting to get the dues) has, as if, fallen on deaf ear.

2. Now the judgment of Hon'ble CAT/Principal Bench, New Delhi as referred to above under reference (3) has come to our notice . Even though neither this United Forum nor any of our associated organizations including RTOWA is a party to this OA, never the less, we can not remain indifferent of this development at this stage.

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3. The petitioner in the instant OA is a widow- a family pensioner who, having come to the end of patience and, perhaps out sheer financial distress, knocked the door of the judiciary. This has resulted into this judgment that reads interalia :

“ I, therefore, allow OA and direct both DOT and MTNL to ensure that that the arrears of family pension admissible to the applicant from 01/01/2007 to 30/09/2012 is paid to her with 9% interest within a period of this order.”

The Hon’ble CAT/Principal Branch, New Delhi has also directed interalia :

“ Therefore, both pension and family pension have to be treated alike, As far as their payments are concerned.”

Thus long inaction of DOT/MTNL in this matter has ultimately invited what is otherwise avoidable implications.

4. At this stage, we would urge that, true to the spirit of above noted judgment, arrears of pension revision for combined pensioners and family pensioners for the period : 01/01/2007 to 30/09/2012 should be paid without any further delay.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

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President / United Forum

Enclosure :-
Copy of the said judgment

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