# BHARAT SANCHAR NIGAM LIMITED (A Government of India Enterprise) Corporate Office PENSION SECTION Statesman House, New Delhi-110001.

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

Dated: 03-10-2011

## Circular No.17

To

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

- Sub: -(i) Inclusion of names of members of family in the PPO and proof of age for additional quantum of family pension requirement of certificates etc. regarding.
  - (ii) Grant of family pension to dependent parents of a deceased Govt. employee.

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith a copy of DOT letter No. 36-01/2011-Pen(T) dated 15<sup>th</sup> September,2011 issued by the Department of Telecommunications on the subject mentioned above for information and further necessary action.

Encl: as above.

(A. Sinha)
Asstt.General Manager(Pension)

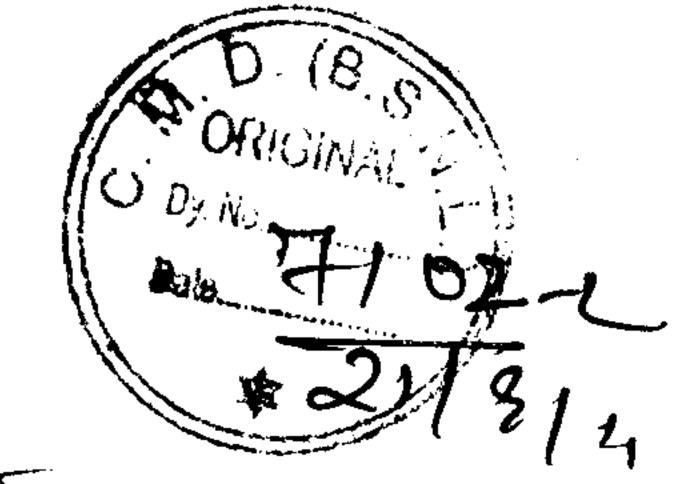
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### Copy to:-

- 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.
- Addl.GM(A)/(Pers)/(BW)/(Elect.)/(Arch.)/ (SEA)/(EF)/(CA) BSNL C.O.
- 6. AGM(R&P)/ (EF)/ (SEA)/ (Pers-I)/ (Pers-II)/ (Pers-III)/ (Pers-III)/ (Pers-III)/ (Pers-IV)/ (Civil)/ (Arch.)/ (TF), BSNL C.O.
- 7. DM(Pay Bill)/ (Cash)/ (L&A), BSNL C.O.
- 8. General Secretary, BSNL EU
- 9. DM(OL), BSNL, C.O. It is requested that a Hindi Version of this Circular may be provided within 15 days.
- 10. Guard File.



No.36-01/2011-Pen(T)
Government of India
Department of Telecommunications
(Pension Section)



New Delhi, dated the September, 2011,

Subject:

- (i) Inclusion of names of members of family in the PPO and proof of age for additional quantum of family pension requirement of certificates etc. regarding.
- (ii) Grant of family pension to dependent parents of a deceased Govt. employee.

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith a copy of the Department of Pension and Pensioners' Welfare's O.M. No. No.1/19/11-P&PW(D) dated 3.8.2011 and (ii) O.M. No. 1/2/07-P&PW(E) dated 2.9.2011 on the above subject for information and necessary action.

Hindi version will follow.

(Deo Nath Sah)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
Tel: 2303 6282

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. DDG(Accounts) with the request that the copies of the OMs may also be circulated to all pension disbursing post offices through the respective Directorates of Postal Accounts.
- 5. CMD, BSNL Corporate Office, Bharat Sanchar Bhavan, New Delhi.
- 6. CMD, MTNL, New Delhi.
- 7. CMD, TCIL, New Delhi.\
- 8. Sr. DDG, TEC, Khursid Lal Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 9. ED, C-DoT/Director, WMO, New Delhi.
- 10. All Controller/Joint Controllers of Communication Accounts, DoT
- 11. Section Officer, Pay Bill/Cash/PAO, DoT, New Delhi.\
- 12. All Telecom Enforcement Resources Monitoring (TERMS)
- 13. All recognized Unions/Associations/Federations, DoT, New Delhi.
- 14. Director (IT) (Shri Manish Kumar Vimal, Director) with the request to post this circular on the website of DoT.
- 15. DDG(Estt), BSNL Co. Office, New Delhi.
- 16. AO(PFP)
- 17. Internal Audit Wing
- 18. Hindi Section with the request to furnish the Hindi Version of the OM to upload in the website.
- 19. All dealing hands in Pension Section.

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No. 1/2/07-P&PW(E)
Govt. Of India
Ministry of Personnel, P.G. & Pensions
Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare

Lok Nayak Bhawan, Khan Market, New Delhi, <sup>2nd</sup> September, 2011

## OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Grant of family pension to dependent parents of a deceased Government employee.

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Department's O.M. No. 45/86/97-P&PW(A)-Part I, dated 27.10.1997, whereby the definition of family for the purpose of grant of family pension was extended to include, inter alia, "parents who were wholly dependent on the Government servant when he/ she was alive provided the deceased employee had left behind neither a widow nor a child".

- 2. It has been observed that Ministries/ Departments have been interpreting this to mean that parents are eligible for family pension when the deceased employee is survived by them only. In case the deceased employee is survived by a widow and/ or one or more children, the parents are not considered eligible to receive family pension subsequent to such widow and/ or children becoming ineligible to receive family pension or ceasing to survive.
- 3. It is hereby clarified that in case the deceased government servant is not survived by a widow/widower or a child, the dependent parents become directly eligible to receive family pension. In cases where a deceased Government servant is survived by a widow/widower or a child, and the position changes subsequently because of death or re-marriage of the spouse and/or death or ineligibility of child/children, including a disabled child, the dependent parents become eligible for family pension. However, in terms of this Department's O.M. No. 38/37/08-P&PW(A) dated 02.09.08, a childless widow, subject to dependency criteria, is entitled to the family pension even after her re-marriage. In such an event, the parents of the deceased employee become entitled to the family pension only after the childless widow dies or when her independent income from all other sources becomes equal to or

higher than that prescribed for dependency criterion under the Rules.

4. This issues with the concurrence of Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure vide. U.O. No.248/E.V/2011, dated 2<sup>nd</sup> September, 2009.

(K.K. Mittal)

Director

All Ministries/ Departments of the Govt. of India as per standard mailing list.

## F.No.1/19/11-P&PW(E) Government of India Ministry of Personnel, P.G. & Pensions Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare

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Lok Nayak Bhawan, Khan Market, New Delhi

Dated: 03.08.11

### OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Inclusion of names of members of family in the PPO and proof of age for additional quantum of family pension – requirement of certificates etc. – regarding.

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Department's O.M. No. 1/6/2008-P&PW(E), dated 22.06.10 and No. 1/21/91-P&PW(E), dated 20.01.93, regarding intimation of names of eligible family members by the pensioner or the spouse to the Head of Office for inclusion in the Pension Payment Order (PPO). It has been clarified in the O.M dated 22.06.10 that in cases where the pensioner or his/ her spouse has expired, the widowed or divorced or unmarried daughter/ parents/ dependent disabled children/ disabled siblings can themselves intimate such details to the pension sanctioning authority, who can process such cases if sufficient proof of entitlement is produced by the claimant and all other conditions for grant of family pension are fulfilled.

- 2. Attention is also invited to this Department's O.M. No. 38/37/08-P&PW(A) dated 21.05.09, wherein detailed instructions regarding admissibility of documents as proof of date of birth of very old family pensioner who neither have a birth certificate nor any other corroborating document and whose date of birth is not available in the PPOs as well as in the office records of CPAO/PAO have been circulated.
- 3. It is a matter of concern that a large number of complaints have been received in this Department from various pensioners associations and individuals that the documents submitted by them to the Heads of Office concerned are not accepted by them. Complaints about inordinate delay of 2-3 years in settling the claims have also been received.
- 4. It is hereby reiterated that documents indicated in para 5 of O.M., dated 21.05.09 may be relied upon by the Heads of Office for admitting claims of the family pensioners. In addition to these, the Aadhaar number issued by Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) may also be accepted by the Heads of Office/ Pension Disbursing Authorities as valid proof of identity. It is also emphasized that the date of birth of the applicant may also be ascertained at the time of sanctioning family pension as it may be required for deciding the quantum of additional family pension when the family pensioner attains the age of 80 years or above.

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- 5. In case the applicant is unable to submit any of the documents indicated above but claims family pension based on some other documentary evidence, such cases may be submitted to the administrative Ministry/ Department. The decision of the administrative Ministry/ Department in this regard will be final.
- 6. Requests have also been received for inclusion of the name of dependent disabled child(ren) in the PPO during the life-time of the pensioner. It is hereby clarified that neither dependence nor disability are bound to be permanent in nature. Therefore, the name(s) of such child/ children may be included in the details of family by the Head of Office on receiving a request from the pensioner or his/ her spouse. However, family pension would be sanctioned only when their turn comes to receive the family pension on the demise of the pensioner/ family pensioner, after examining the claim(s) of such disabled children for family pension subject to the fulfilment of conditions stipulated in the relevant provisions of CCS(Pension) Rules, 1972.
- 7. All Ministries/ Departments are requested to give wide publicity to these clarifications.

(Tripti P. Ghosh)

Director Ph. 24624802

All Ministries/ Departments of the Govt. of India