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No.48-7/2018-Pen (B)

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To

All Heads of Circles/Telecom Districts/ Regions/Projects/ Telecom Stores/Telecom Factories & Other Administrative Offices Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited

Sub: Release of retirement benefits during pendency of criminal appeal in respect of BSNL absorbed/recruited employees – regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to say that the matter regarding release of retirement benefits during pendency of criminal appeal was under examination in the Administrative Ministry i.e. DOT.

- 2. DOT, after going through the observations of DOP&PW and Legal Advisor/representative of Ministry of Law on interpretation of statutory rules, has inferred that during pendency of criminal appeal/revision, it may not be said that judicial proceedings have been concluded, as the matter has not attained finality yet and hence during pendency of judicial proceedings including criminal appeal/revision, DCRG may not be released to the concerned employee(s). These observations are also applicable in cases of BSNL absorbed employees who receive DCRG from Consolidated Fund of India in terms of Rule 37A of CCS (Pension) Rules.
- 3. Accordingly, all Units of BSNL are requested to take note of the above guidelines and deal with cases pending at their end for disposal in similar manner.

Yours faithfully,

(S. P. Bhatta)

Asstt. General Manager (Estt.-I)

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## Copy to:-

- 1. PS to Dir (HR)/Dir (F)/Dir (Ent.)/Dir (CFA)/Dir (CM), BSNL Board
- 2. DDG (Estt.), DOT, for kind information w.r.t. the note recorded in F. No. 20-22/2017-Estt.-IV of BSNL CO
- 3. PGMs/Sr. GMs/GMs (Pers./FP/BW/Elect./Arch/Civil), BSNL CO
- 4. AGMs (Pers.-I)/(Pers.-II)/(Estt.-III)/(Estt.-IV)/(CSS)/(SEA)/(Elect.)/(BW)/(Arch.)
- 5. BSNL CO Intranet Portal/Guard File

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