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Vigilance Cell

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Dated: 24 -06-2020

No. 22-22/2017/General/Vol.I

To,

Vigilance Head of all Circles.

Subject :- Release of pensionary benefits to a retiree against whom personal court case (other than departmental) is pending in the competent court.

Reference: DoT (Pension Section), letter No. 36-9/2002-Pen(T) Pt. dated 05.06.2020.

Kindly refer the abovementioned letter (copy enclosed) issued by Pension Section, DoT on the given subject. Vide this letter the Pension Section, DoT has conveyed that it has examined the subject matter in light of the advice rendered by Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare vide ID Note No. 4-9/2018-Vig.I (pt) dated 28.09.2018 and in this regard it has stated that the previous DoT letter No. 36-9/2002-Pen(T) dated 24.03.2003 is superseded by the advice dated 28.09.2018 rendered by Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare'.

The instructions on the subject matter was issued vide this office letter no. 22-22/2017/General/Vol.I dated 5.7.2018 on the basis of guidelines issued by DoT in letter No. 36-9/2002-Pen(T) dated 24.03.2003. Now the DoT letter dated 24.03.2003 has been superseded by the Pension Section, DoT letter No. 36-9/2002-Pen(T)Pt. dated 05.06.2020.

In view of above the previous BSNL letter no. 22-22/2017/General/Vol.I dated 5.7.2018 is hereby superseded by issued of this letter and accordingly necessary action may be taken by all concerned in view of Pension Section, DoT letter No. 36-9/2002-Pen(T)Pt. dated 05.06.2020.

Henceforth the Vigilance Proceeding and Clearance of employees against whom judicial proceedings initiated due to any act of employee will be dealt as per Pension Section, DoT letter No. 36-9/2002-Pen(T)Pt. dated 05.06.2020 and corresponding BSNL CDA Rule-2006 will be applied.

This issues with the approval of CVO BSNL.

L S Naik) DGM (Vig.-I)

24/06/2020

Tel: 011-23734359

Encl.: As above.

Copy to: 1. CGM of all Circles,

> 2. PGM(Pers), BSNLCO, New Delhi,

O/C & G/F

No. 36-9/2002-Pen(T)Pt. Government of India Ministry of Communication Department of Telecommunication (Pension Section)

516, Sanchar Bhawan, 20, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001, dated 5th June, 2020

To,

The Chairman and Managing Director, Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd (BSNL), Bharat Sanchar Bhavan, Harish Chandra Mathur Lane, Janpath, New Delhi-110 001.

Subject: Release of Pensionary benefits to employees against whom Personal Court Case (other than departmental) is pending in the court.

Sir,

This refers BSNL letters No. 1-15/2019-PAT (BSNL) (Part) dated 30.01.2020, No. 22-22/2017/General/Vol.I dated 5.7.2018 mentioned therein, and earlier references from BSNL on the subject.

- The matter has been examined in light of the advice rendered by Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare vide ID Note No. 4-9/2018-Vig.I (pt) dated 28.09.2018 (copy enclosed).
- Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare vide the above referred ID Note on the question whether judicial proceedings initiated against a Government servant by the state police on the basis of a complaint by a private party for any action other than in any official capacity would come under the ambit of Rule 69 of CCS (Pension) Rules 1972 - conveyed the following:
 - (a) If a Government servant is convicted during the period of service, action is taken under Rule 19 of the CCS (CCA) Rules and a penalty under Rule 11 of the CCS (CCA) Rules is imposed. Such action under said Rules is taken irrespective of whether the conviction is on account of charges connected with his official capacity or otherwise. Once a Government servant retires, action cannot be taken against him under CCS (CCA) Rules. After retirement, if the Government servant is found guilty of misconduct during service action can be taken under Rule 9(i) of the CCS (Pension) rules and his pension/ gratuity can be withhold/withdrawn.
 - (b) DoP&PW is of the view that all misconduct under CCS (Conduct) Rules for which the Government servant could be punished under the CCS (CCA) Rules, during the period of service would be covered by the provisions of Rule 9 and Rule 69 of the CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972. Therefore, after retirement, in cases where the judicial proceedings for any act during service (whether in official capacity or otherwise) which could be termed as misconduct under the provisions of CCS (Conduct) Rules are continued after retirement such judicial proceedings shall come under the purview of Rule 9 and Rule 69 of CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972. Contd...2/.

- 4. The applicability of the above advice on other cases of similar nature has been examined. In view of the explicit advice rendered by Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare reproduced above, the previous DoT letter No. 36-9/2002-Pen(T) dated 24.03.2003 in this regard is hereby superseded by the above advice rendered by Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare.
- 5. As regards the applicability of the above to VRS optees under BSNL VRS-2019, it is to intimate that there is no ruling for any differential treatment to these retirees.
- 6. This issues with the approval of Secretary (T).

Encl: As above.

(Asha Wadhwani) Under Secretary to the Govt. of India Ph. 011 2303 6260

To

- 1. The CVO, DoT for information and record.
- 2. The CMD, MTNL, 9 CGO Complexes, 5th Floor, Lodhi Road, New Delhi for similar necessary action.