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# NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TELECOM EMPLOYEES

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To,

Secretary,  
Department of Personnel and Trg  
North Block  
Govt. of India  
New Delhi.

**Subject:-** Lowering of retirement age from 60 to 58 years in respect of erstwhile Govt status DOT employees absorbed in BSNL (PSU) – Clarification reg.

Respected Sir,

It is learnt that the Department of Telecommunication is proposing to reduce the superannuation age from 60 to 58 years in respect of erstwhile Govt status DOT employees who took absorption in the BSNL PSU. This has necessitated to approach to your goodself for clarification in the matter so that injustice is avoided.

We may state, Sir, that the Govt status employees who got themselves absorbed w.e.f. 01-10-2000 in the new entity on the agreed terms and conditions, duly accepted and approved by the them Secy, DOT on dt-30-01-2001, were already covered under FR56(a) under which the superannuation age prescribed is sixty years. The terms and conditions framed for absorption also contain the same provision of superannuation age in the PSU which is reproduced below:-

“Age of superannuation for all the non board level officers in the BSNL will be regulated in accordance with Govt Rules applicable to PSUs”. The retirement age is 60 years in the PSUs at present.

Apart from above the absorbed employees are eligible for Govt pension under Rule 37A of CCS (Pension Rules) and sub clause 8 of the rule as well as explanation below the amendment also prescribe that the superannuation age will be akin to Central Govt employees. You will appreciate Sir, the BSNL absorbees are thus on different footing with other PSUs employees and roll back orders contained in DPE OM No.-18(a)/2004-GM-GL-62, dt-01-04-2005 cannot reasonably be made applicable on them.

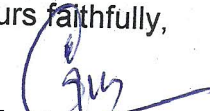
We, therefore, urge upon you to kindly clarify the matter to DOT to the effect that the BSNL absorbees eligible for Govt. Pension on Rule 37(A) are covered under FR 56(a) and cannot be equated with other PSU personnel as for as roll back orders of DPE are concerned.

An early action is solicited.

With regards,

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

  
(Chandeshwar Singh)  
General Secretary