

## **FLASH BACK IN THE HISTORY OF BDPA AHMEDABAD – 25.04.2006 CELEBRATION REPORT**

**The First Annual General Body Meeting of the “ BSNL & DOT PENSIONERS ASSOCIATION, GUJARAT CIRCLE, AHMEDABAD ” was held on 25.04.2006 at 16.30 hours in the Mehdi Nawaj Jung Hall, Paldi, Ahmedabad and discussed the following items.**

**The Constitution of the Association was unanimously adopted at the first state before conducting any agenda.**

As notified, the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual General Body Meeting of the Association was held on 25.04.2006 at Mehdi Nawaj Jung Hall, Paldi, Ahmedabad at 17.00 hours. Shri D.K. Agrawal, Chief General Manager, Gujarat was the chief guest of the function. Shri Rakesh Joshi, General Manager (Administration), CGMT Office and Mr. Bhatnagar, Pr., General Manager, Ahmedabad Telecom District were also present. Conferring them Shawl and Booke the following retirees of 75 years were honored.

**Shri D.D. Mistry in his introductory speech he said that initially on 23.11.2004 a gathering of Retired Employees was arranged by Mr. D.D. Mistry, which found good response. And such gathering continued for five times in the year 2005 and two times in the year 2006. During this period members exchanged their views and expressed their various difficulties and ultimately it was decided to give a final shape in the name of Association. About 111 members were enrolled spontaneously and the sphere is now expanded to all BSNL Retired Employees and DOT Retirees as well.**

There are two other sisters organization propagating them as Retired Employees Counselor and serving them. However, since there are all the Central Government in the Organization and interest of Telecom Employees not heard properly, necessity of the Organization exclusively of Telecom Members was felt. Further, they had started to aim their future demands comparing the conditions of BSNL Employees, which means they foresee no future advancement of Pensioners benefits for BSNL Employees.

Further from October 2000 onwards majority of DOT employees had given option for BSNL and the offices of DOT at base level to All India Level, including District and Circle, came to a grinding halt. There is no machinery for them at base level for representation of their genuine grievances as only one OFFICE FUNCTIONS at New Delhi known as DOT, which works through BSNL.

For BSNL Employees who are retired are also facing various difficulties and the present other Associations, which exist, have no knowledge of BSNL working pattern. Medical Allowance is given quarterly but not at par with working hours and is delayed for minimum 15 days on average. The Pensioners who are aged and unable to walk or climb staircase find it difficult to get the same and now there is no remedy available to them.

Thus in order to come out from above suffering, to guard their future pension and find solutions to their problem, this Association has taken place. It will continue to serve as chain

between Administration, Existing Unions and Pensioners. It will carry out its social functions as well and give Philip to retired employees. It has started to send Birthday Greetings to all its members, Collect their addresses and telephone numbers and circulate amongst the pensioners. Even in time grief to Pensioners, it gives sympathy to them and nurses them.

The Association will be registered with Registrar of Co-Op. Societies and with other competent authorities for legalize, effective and authentic functioning. It proposes to build up a web site of its own so as to provide its members necessary information. It contemplates to commence session for mental uplift of its members by imparting them necessary infrastructure.

He also spoke elaborately on necessity of forming the BDPS, when there are other Pensioners Associations are already functioning in the City.

He said that Task before us is to educate our members towards need of completing necessary formalities for timely payment of their medical claims, providing them necessary ruling position and to educate them for contacting concerned authorities in Circle in case of urgency and need.

He added that to remove anomalies of pensioners while they were on duty, issue of Option for promotion falling prior to October 2000 and effective after October 2000 and indifferent attitude of authorities. A case of Anomalies is pending case for their fixation resulting in fewer pensions.

He concluded that our Future Policy will be for approaching them and convince them towards our suffering and need for timely settlement. We will approach the BSNL & DOT authorities at New Delhi through correspondences, through FNTTO and recognized Union who are sympathetic to us. We will gather required Data from Pensioners for its utilization with authorities.

He thanked the pensioners and working employees to strengthen hands of the Associations.

The following persons of 75 years and above were honoured in the meeting.

Sr.No.	Name	Birthdate	Age Years	Remark
1.	B.J. Mair	24.03.27	79	
2.	O.T. Patel	01.08.23	83	
3.	S.D. Patel	12.11.23	83	
4.	G.I. Daruwala	19.01.23	83	
5.	J.A. Modi	31.07.24	82	
6.	P.H. Vaishnav	14.05.24	82	Absent

7.	P.J. Shah	18.11.24	82	
8.	J.S.Dave	21.11.25	81	
9.	S.N. Tarvadi	09.05.25	81	
10.	B.N. Acharya	13.08.18	88	
11.	D.C. Dave	02.09.26	80	
12.	A.N.Husaini	21.05.27	79	
13.	L.I. Raval	12.10.27	79	
14.	M.B.Raval	03.02.27	79	
15.	R.K.Trivedi	25.10.27	79	
16.	R.B. Jadav	12.03.27	79	
17.	A.K. Rami	16.11.29	77	
18.	M.M. Sadhu	09.03.30	76	
19.	R.I. Rami	01.08.30	76	

The following office-bearers were unanimously elected for the year 2006-08.

1. President : A.N. Patel
2. Working President : J.B. Kumpavat
3. Vice President : A.N. Husini
4. Vice President : A.M. Makwana
5. General Secretary : D.D. Mistry
6. Asstt. General Secretary : I.T. Patel
7. Asstt. General Secretary : P.R. Shah
8. Treasurer : A.D. Dixit
9. Asstt. Treasurer : K.S. Modi
10. Governing Council Members : K.B. Patel, A.K. Patel, J.S.Dave,  
V.N. Changawala, G.R. Patel

A resolution for opening Joint Saving Bank Account of Association in Canara Bank, Bhadra Branch, Ahmedabad was unanimously adopted. S/Shri A. N. Patel, D.D. Mistry & A.D. Dixit were authorized to operate the account with the signature of any two of them.

Governing Council was authorized by the A.G.C. to apply for registration with competent authorities and provide necessary information to them.

The Chief General Manager Telecom, D.G.M.(A) & the P.G.M. ATD assured their cooperation to settle the genuine grievances of pensioners at the earliest.

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