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No. BPS/BDPA(I)/Medical Card Renewal/Option/2020

dated 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2020

To:

**By Email**

The Chief General Manager Telecom, BSNL,  
Gujarat Circle, Ahmedabad-390009

Sub: Request to adopt uniform policy for Renewal/Option of BSNL Pensioners Medical Identity Card cancelling order dated 08.05.2020.

Ref: (1) BSNL HQ Letter No: BSNL/Admn.1/15-12/18 dated 08.05.2020

(2) Your office Letter No: WLF/14-1/MEDICAL/RULLING/2018-19/191 dated 19.05.2020.

Respected Sir,

1. That the BSNL HQ Vide letter No: BSNL/Admn.1/15-12/18 dated 08.05.2020 circulated order on "Procedure for Outdoor Medical Claim for BSNL Employees (Serving/Retired). Its first paragraph relates to procedure for Working BSNL Employees. The Second Para relates to Retired BSNL Employees, It reads " The following Options are alloed:
  - a. C.G.H.S.
  - b. 15 days pay with vouchers (Basic Pay + D.A. on date of retirement).
  - c. Without Vouchers flat Rs.1000/- (One Thousand) per month.And the letter is OVER.
2. That your office while citing BSNL HQ Letter No: BSNL/Admn.1/15-12/18 dated 08.05.2020, wherein it has been stated that " With reference to above, it is allowed to the retired employee of Gujart Circle has to subjmit the option to the SSA/Unit from where he/she got retired.
  - a) By depositing the original BSNL MRS Medical Card along with the signed application in original for C.G.H.S. Option.
  - b) Scanned copy of Annexure – I (Enclosed) **through email** for with/without voucher option.

It is mandatory to submit the olption form every year in the beginning of the financial year. The status of option submitted will be effective from the prospective date and cannot be made effective retrospectively on later date of the financial year.

This issues with the approval of competent authority.

### **NOW, OUR SUBMISSION AND SAY,**

1. That while issuing the said letter, the issuing authority has not applied mind and not taken care to see that it correctly reflect directives as shown in BSNL HQ letter.
2. A) BSNL HQ letter indicates option for CGHS is permissible for BSNL Pensioners.

- B) It shows admissibility of amount to the BSNL Pensioners. For any reason, it maintains silence over the admissibility of amount for with/without vouchers.
- C) The following paragraph is added by your office:  
“It is mandatory to submit the option form every year in the beginning of the financial year. The status of option submitted will be effective from the prospective date and cannot be made effective retrospectively on later date of the financial year.

The author of letter has not thought that how it will be possible for Pensioners to submit the Option, when issue of date is 19.05.2020 and financial years already been sent in from 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2020. Totally impracticable.

Acceptance of Option giving effect from the date of its furnishing is violation of BSNL HQ instructions, which does not permit acceptance of option in two parts for one financial year.

The author of letter should have kept in mind that to expect option by email is nearly impossible, resulting in deliberate harassment to the Pensioners in their old age.

We are astonished to know that “ This issues with the approval of competent authority.”

### **OUR SUBMISSION ON THE SUBJECT**

1. A new Office Order on the subject should be issued clearing all above points
2. The last date of submission of option should be extended upto 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2020.
3. The Option so submitted will be effective from 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2020
4. Majority of Pensioners are not knowing the last pay drawn and DA admissible, so it should be not be insisted upon for all the pensioners.
5. It should not be mandatory for all the Pensioners, but only those who desires change in option should be asked to give their option.
6. New practicable Option Form should be prepared and circulated.
7. Those who fails, their old option should continue.
8. Submission of option through Post/Courier should be permitted
9. For renewal of Medical Identity, Pensioners should be permitted to get it renewed from their nearest BSNL Office, where DE is posted.
10. All SSA Heads should be asked to identify the Officer for such work and ensure that the officer is available within notified day and time.
11. The order should be emailed to all the Pensioners Association in Gujarat Circle for wide circulation amongst members.

Kindly acknowledge receipt and take necessary action in the matter,

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

  
(D.D. MISTRY)

Secretary BSNL/PSU  
Bharat Pensioner Samaj

Encl: Two letters cited in reference.

Copy to:

1. The CMD BSNL New Delhi.
2. The Director HR BSNL New Delhi.