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Subject: Major issues of Members of the ARTEE Association

Respected Sir,

With regards, on behalf of largest Association of this deptt. It is informed about some of the core issues pertaining to Members of this Association..

Brief Note on Major issues of Members of ARTEE Association

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(A). ACP as per verdict of CAT upheld by Hon'ble Supreme Court: Members are facing acute stagnation in all Cadres. No Promotions since decades. Even the ACP scheme which was declared by Govt. as a relief to Remove Stagnation is not implemented. The matter fought upto the level of Hon'ble Supreme Court and attain finality. We request to implement ACP scheme as per verdict of CAT and High Court Patna upheld by Hon'ble Supreme Court. It is noteworthy to mention that we are Govt. employees working in Prasar Bharati on deemed deputation and on this basis we have been granted benefit of 6th CPC and MACP. Currently a Proposal for Generalization has been prepared with Financial Implications of 67.5 Crores one time and 13 Crores Annual Increase in Salary. The proposal has been approved by DG(AIR) and Prasar Bharati Board and sent to Hon'ble Ministry of I & B.

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(B). One Cadre One Pay: In 1999, Late Sh. Pramod Mahajan was Hon'ble Minister of I & B, the 25/2/1999, an executive order was issued and our scales which were granted w.e.f. 01/01/1978 as per Supreme Court verdict and which were downgraded by 5th CPC were <u>RESTORED</u> but mistakenly it was mentioned as UPGRADATION. Engg.Asstts and Tech recruited 25/2/1999 are placed in lower scale while doing same duty and responsibilities. They are having same Sr.List, Recruitment Rules and Service Conditions. This issue has also attain finality upto the level of Hon'ble Supreme Court. We request your high office to implement this. As per our information the file is cleared by Ministry of Law and has been sent to Deptt. of expenditure for implementing it for Applicants. It is requested to generalize the implementation. We have also written one letter no. ARTEE/P/271/08/2014, 12.08.2014 on the issue. Currently a Proposal for Generalization has been prepared with Financial Implications of around 38.00 Crores one time and around 6 Crores Annual Increase in Salary. The proposal for generalization has been approved by DG(AIR) and Prasar Bharati Board and sent to Hon'ble Ministry of I & B.

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After Clearance by Hon'ble Ministry of I & B through order 515/20/2011-BA(E) Dated 23/9/14 for Six Applicants DG(AIR) has issued order 3/17/2009 SIV(A)/ Vol.II/511 dated 14.10.2014.

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with Lighting Assistants by Hon'ble Supreme Court in scale Rs. 4500-7000. The Pay Parity is again disturbed on 01/01/1996 as Lighting Assistant were further upgraded to scale Rs. 5000-8000. We request your high office to Restore the Pay Parity to Technicians in the spirit of verdict by Hon'ble Supreme Court. Currently a Proposal for Generalization has been prepared with Financial Implications of 90.00 Crores one time and 7 Crores Annual Increase in Salary. The proposal has been approved by DG(AIR) and Prasar Bharati Board and being sent to Hon'ble Ministry of I & B.

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It is pertinent to mention that in a Meeting held under the Chairmanship of CEO,PB in PB Secretariat on 22nd April 2014, It was agreed to prepare a proposal on all three issues mentioned above and send it to Ministry of I & B with the approval of DG(AIR) and Prasar Bharati. As per our information Proposals are prepared sent to Hon'ble Ministry of I & B.

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In its Meeting dated 08/07/2014, Prasar Bharati Board has approved the decisions taken by CEO in the Meeting with this Association on 22/4/2014 and Minutes of the Meeting were approved in PB Board Meeting dated 18/9/14. It is pertinent to mention that your High Office was also present in the Meeting as Nominated Member of Hon'ble Ministry of I & B.

(D). EA and SEA Merger: It is a long pending issue and Ministry trying to merger EA and SEA working in

Grade Pay 4600 in Grade Pay Rs. 4200 by downgrading them despite the favorable recommendations by

DG(AIR) the Cadre Controlling Authority and Prasar Bharati, which is gross injustice. Now EA working In

Grade Pay have been upgraded to Rs. 4600 and there shall be no EA working in 4200. We request you to

(E). Cadre Review of Engg. Employees: There is no Cadre Review in last 30 yrs for Engg. Employees in last 30 yrs and we are suffering from many anomalies. We request your goodself for Cadre Review from Helper to AEs. The Cadre Review of Class I should not be done in isolation as shall create more anomalies.

settle this issue by Merging EA and SEA in Grade Pay Rs. 4600.

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- (F). Inclusion in 7th CPC Report : Our status is "Govt. Employees working in PB on deemed deputation till Retirement. In 6th CPC we were included and as per EXTANT Rules benefit was extended. We request you high Office to ensure that We get benefit of 7th CPC.
- (G). Delay in Settling Retirement benefits: Due to various confusions and mis interpretations, Staff Retiring is suffering at the time of Retirement. Many people are facing huge Recoveries and it is painful. It is requested that clear orders must be issued on staff matters.

We request your high office to take positive decisions towards implementation of these above mentioned issues.

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Thanks and Regards Yours faithfully,

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