## Recovery Due to 25.2.1999 Scales as One Upgradation for MACP

This is in continuation of the earlier update dated 22/10/13 on this issue. As informed earlier, Prasar Bharati has sent a self explanatory letter M-1/128/2014-PPC/PBRB (Part-I) dated 22/10/14 with all the supporting documents and arguments to the Hon'ble Ministry of I&B on 22/10/14.

ARTEE wrote a detailed letter ARTEE/P/301/10/2014 dated 29/10/14 to the Hon'ble Secretary I&B on this issue. The letter was received in Ministry on 05/11/14

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Since then, the issue has been pursued at the Hon'ble Ministry of I&B and as a result the issue is referred to the DOPT. <u>The file of MIB is 503/5/2014-BA(E) and it is sent to the Establishment-D section of DOPT</u>. Earlier,on several occasions, DOPT has opined, not to treat this as an upgradation for ACP. The issue is debated during litigation of CAT PATNA in length and breadth. But now the recent reference is for MACP.

Central Team has visited DOPT also for pursuing the matter. Every time the Authorities assured to clear the file. After the recent spurt of painful information about the recovery not only for ARTEE Members but also for all the Employees belonging to eleven Categories, ARTEE President along with Sh. R.Srinivasan,President, PSA and Sh.Gajendra Sharma, VP(AIR) visited Prasar Bharati, Hon'ble Ministry of I&B and DOPT on 30.12.14. Prasar Bharati assured to send a Reminder and MIB has asked the concerned Under Secretary to contact DOPT for early clearance of the file.

When we visited DOPT, the concerned officer was on leave and asked us to come in the first week of Jan'15.

It is unfortunate and extremely painful that our Members who are retiring are facing recoveries due to this. We fully empathize ourselves with them. But we have to accept that this word "UPGRADATION" is not a new development. We have got scales from 01/01/78. The order was issued in 25/2/1999 and the word "UPGRADED SCALES" were never questioned and addressed.Now it is creating hurdles in all of our issues and has become curse for all of us.

We, on behalf of the Central Office want to assure that, we are doing and committed to do everything possible to save the situation, along with Other Associations or alone if required. We also caution our Members from spreading rumors against the Central Office with malafide intentions. It is unfortunate that such rumors like ARTEE has not written any letter and is not taking up the issue etc.. etc.. are created without being bothered that how adverse it can affect the issue and the Unity of the Association.

We have also shelved our program of Celebrating Raising Day in a big manner, and now there shall be only a simple ceremony to commemorate the occasion.

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