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## Health Insurance for all employees and to grant compensation /Ex-Gratia in the event of loss of life due to COVID-19 to the dependent members/legal heirs of the employee

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### **ASSOCIATION OF RADIO AND TELEVISION ENGINEERING EMPLOYEES (ARTEE)**

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The Chief Executive Officer  
Prasar Bharati Secretariat  
Prasar Bharati House, Copernicus Marg,  
New Delhi – 110001.

Subject: Health Insurance for all employees and to grant compensation /Ex-Gratia in the event of loss of life due to COVID-19 to the dependent members/legal heirs of the employee.

Ref: Email dated 08-04-2020.

Respected Sir,

We are writing this letter while the entire Prasarbharati Parivar is under sorrow and pain due to the sad demise of Sri K T Soanki UDC DDK Ahammadabad. We identify ourselves with the kith and kin of the Late Sri KT Solanki with a realization that no financial assistance can douse their grief.

Sir, any family who loses the breadwinner will have grief, anguish and woeful days ahead as the only companions. It is the duty of a humanitarian administration to be with them as the true companion, trying to wipe their tears away.

This incident brings to the fore the importance of our earlier mail dated 8th April 2020 requesting you for a suitable health insurance scheme of our earlier mail dated 8th April 2020 requesting you for a suitable health insurance scheme treating the employees of AIR & DD as the front line workers. [**Annexure 1**]

Several institutions have already implemented such an insurance scheme. We seek your attention to such a brilliant scheme devised for the employees of FCI ( Food Corporation of India). Under this scheme, an insurance cover up to Rupees 35 lakhs is assured for employees including casual and contract laborers. [**Annexure 2**]. Similar scheme devised for the employees of Port Trust Of India to grant compensation /Ex-Gratia of Rs.50 lakh in the event of loss of life due to COVID-19 to the dependent members/legal heirs of the port employees. [**Annexure 3**]

We once again request you to implement this scheme for all the employees of AIR& DD considering the essential bite of the broadcaster and the vulnerability of the staff to the pandemic.

At this juncture, we request you to kindly sanction an exgratia amount of Rupees 1 crore from the Corpus fund of Pradarbharati or from a suitable fund, to the family of Sri K T Soalnki, UDC, DDK Ahmedabad who lost his life due to COVID 19 and initiate action for providing job on compassionate ground to an eligible member of his family so that the family is compensated to an extent. The Government of Tamilnadu has already announced such a measure to the family of any employee who expires due to COVID 19

All the employees are apprehensive of their safety as Covid positive cases found in Akasvani Directorate ,Delhi and other stations situated in Ahemdabad and Mumbai . Employees are working round the clock for the public broadcaster and never deter from their duty to serve the nation. Therefore we expect an immediate and favorable action both on the Insurance scheme and the Ex gratia.

With Highest Regards

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