

The fiasco of EA & SEA Merger in Grade Pay Rs. 4200

Dear Comrades/ARTEEians,

As you all are aware that Mgmt. and administration is trying to Merger SEA and EA by Downgrading the Grade pay from 4600 to 4200 with the Designation Jr.Engr. The Central Office is trying its best to stop this through various means and methods. We all know that Recognition Process as per CCS(RSA) Rules is under process and on this excuse the Authorities are refusing to meet us. Meanwhile Anti Employee elements in Management sensing the situation as an opportunity, have also become active to downgrade our scale as these elements are trying to cash on the situation to settle their age old scores of granting us scales way back in Ninteens. These elements are also against ACP Verdict of PATNA and our other justified demands while they have been benefitted by NFADE Agitation lead by ARTEE. This downgradation is being done to destroy all of our demands and will very badly effect our all future prospect including Pension etc. More over as per information the Grade Pay of A.E.s is also being reduced to Rs. 4600 from 4800. It is also alarming.

In between with the efforts of Central Office as per information some good developments also took place and we were hoping for some good news. But after this we have come to know that finally in Pressure Prasar Bharati Management also succumbed to the Pressure of Ministry and sent the same proposal of downgrading the pay scales which we have been opposing. When the news came we were in the middle of Central Council Meeting in Delhi on 19th Nov 2012. CC immediately reviewed this and decided to seek Advocate's opinion on the changed scenario. It is pertinent to mention that in the Month of June'12 when we were sensing that it can be done any time we have made preparations for legal remedy, later the matter was discussed in CWC Meeting in the month of July and after discussion it was decided to wait till order is issued since we were hoping that Prasar Bharati Management will do justice with us. But despite our best of efforts it also proved an illusion. As per decision of Central Council, President, VP(TV) and VP(NZ) met the Advocate on Friday who advised to approach the Court of Law as on the basis of Documents available under RTI Petition like DG AIR Proposal and Communication sent by Ministry. Advocate also opined that even if Hon'ble Court ask us to come to them only after release of Order of Downgradation, there is no legal loss but if we succeed in getting the notice issued the department will come under Pressure. After discussing with VPs we have decided to approach court of Law and the OA will be filed very soon.

Meanwhile We have started an email drive which is again Creating Pressure and some of the emails are also answered. Send the email immediately if not sent with copy to undersigned at umsharma01@yahoo.com. We all doing all around efforts and are determined that we will not left any stone unturned for the cause. We are also trying to meet Authorities in Ministry to appraise them about the issue. The Unity is the need of the hour. Stand firmly in this hours of difficulty. Be vigil, careful and follow the instructions sincerely.

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