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www.arteeindia.org Shri. L.D. Mondloi Director General All India Radio Akashvani Bhawan, New Delhi

Ref:

Office order issued by the DE,RK,Srinagar quoting the directive from the O/o DG:AIR vide their communication No. 11/1/2011 – A&G/962 dated 14/19.12.2011

Sub: Request to withdraw the arbitrary orders, in violation of the Policy of the Union Govt & orders of Ministry of Home Affairs and DOP&T

Sir,

I request your kind attention to the letter in reference through which the Head of office, Radio Kashmir, Srinagar withdrawn the free messing/food/canteen facility which was available to the employees as per the J&K Package provided by Union Govt and extended from time to time by the orders of DOP&T.

We are grateful to your goodself for your kind intervention to ensure that the employees are not trapped under starving condition. But it is learnt that the facility restored can be withdrawn at any time.

It may kindly be noted that the Department of Personnel & Training, Ministry of Personnel, PG & Pensions, vide its order No.18016/3/2010-Estt.(L) dated 27th January 2011 extended the existing package of concessions/ incentives to the Central Govt Employees working in Kashmir Valley upto 31.12.2011. The detailed package was annexed in the same OM. It is pertinent to note that the order clearly says that it is decided to extend the facilities after reviewing the same by Department of J&K Affairs, Ministry of Home Affairs in consultation with Ministry of Finance and DOP&T. The system has been continuing due to the security conditions in the valley.

In Section II of the Package it states that "Messing allowance to be paid to the employees or in lieu messing arrangements to be made by the Department themselves." Accordingly AIR & Doordarshan Kendra at Srinagar was maintaining the messing facility as per the rules.

It is learnt that the Head of office was compelled to issue the orders withdrawing the messing facility after directive from the O/o DG: AIR to do so immediately. It is also learnt that the decision was taken on the advice of Chief Vigilance Officer of AIR& Doordarshan and with the approval of CEO, Prasar Bharati because of the reasons best known to them. It is requested that cause & effects of the "reasons" may be enquired into, instead of penalizing the employees by denying them food/messing facilities.

It is astonishing to see that Chief Vigilance Officer of AIR & DD and the Chief Executive Officer, Prasar Bharati over ruled the decision taken combined by three major Ministries, viz. Ministry of Home Affairs, Ministry of Finance and DOP&T!

It is a fact that our employees are performing their duties to fulfill the responsibilities of the National Broadcaster and they cannot be allowed to be starved to death.

Under these circumstances we request your goodself to kindly take necessary steps to restore the messing facilities as per the Package for the employees of AIR&DD working at Srinagar.

Thanking You,

Yours sincerely,

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Copy for kind consideration to:

1. Shri. Uday Kumar Verma IAS, Secretary, Ministry of I & B, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi

Ms. Alka Sirohi IAS, Secretary, DOP&T, Room No.112, North Block, New Delhi

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