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18th October 2023

Dear All,

A delegation consisting of Mr U. Banerjee, General Secretary, GIPAIF, Mr Samir Dutta, Chairman, Mr Pijush Chowdhuri, General Secretary, Mrs Tapati Gupta, Dy Genl Secretary, Mr Biman Sengupta, Treasurer and Mr Ram Sanyal, Organising Secretary (All GIPA EZ) had an official meeting with Ms. Rameshwari Singh, CMD, National Insurance, on 17th October at HO, New Town, Kolkata.

On the long pending issue of increase of Family Pension, Chairperson explained that companies are hopeful to show better performance and increase their solvency margin at the end of this financial year and expressed that by April/ May 2024, this issue is likely to be solved.

Regarding sudden instruction issued by LIC to National and United India, not to pay pension to deceased spouse the number of days the pensioner was alive during the month of death. Family Pension shall start to spouse from the following day after pensioner's death. The matter is serious, and we pointed out the two companies must intervene and restore the earlier practice as per MOU with LIC. It's LIC management's unilateral decision. Chairman assured to take up the matter with LIC.

Another important issue we discussed and explained the necessity to start for Retirees payment in instalments premium for Group Medical Insurance. Chairperson was positive and assured to take up the issue in GIPSA board.

She also assured to take up the issue of change of years of 65 at present mentioned in our scheme or 7 years for protection of pension almost same amount to spouse after death of pensioner as retirement age in our industry is 60 yrs.

Some other issues in connection with MOU on purchase of Annuity with LIC and Pension Corpus etc she stated that being new in the company she would not be able to throw much light.

About any improvement in pension, she clarified in the present financial condition it would not be possible to consider. Regarding increase in subsidy of Medical Insurance premium, and improvement in GMC she replied that these issues would be referred to GIC.

We proposed to pay lump sum amount yearly towards domiciliary treatment for pensioners, she was positive and assured to take up this proposal in GIPSA board.

Regarding submission of Life Certificate, we proposed to introduce Online service for submission of Life Certificate from new year. She tentatively agreed.

We also requested Chairperson to review the demand of 2004 SVRS retirees for refixation of their basic pay on the line of 2003 SVRS retirees as special case. She said this issue would be referred to GIPSA.

About paying 75% advance for admission in non PPN hospitals, CMD said she would take up in GIPSA.

The meeting lasted for more than forty-five minutes, and it was fruitful meeting.

Afterward we met Mr Debasish Das GM (P) and briefed him about the various issues we discussed with CMD and requested him to follow up with GIPSA.

With Puja greetings to all pensioners.

(U. Banerjee)
General Secretary.