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No. CMPFO/CP/116(7)/Meeting with Union Rep./307 Dt. 22 July, 2024
To

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Shri D. D. Ramanandan, Member of Board of Trustees, Coal Mines Provident Fund Org.	Shri Rakesh Kumar, Member of Board of Trustees, Coal Mines Provident Fund Org.
Shri Ashish Krishna Murti, Member of Board of Trustees, Coal Mines Provident Fund Org.	Shri D. N. Singh, Member of Board of Trustees, Coal Mines Provident Fund Org.

Sub: Minutes of the meeting with Union Representatives (Member of BoT) - held on 22.06.2024 at Bilaspur-reg.

Sir,

With reference to the subject cited above, please find enclosed herewith the minutes of the meeting held on 22.06.2024 at Bilaspur for information and record.

You are requested to forward the issue related to WCL, if any, to be discussed in the next meeting scheduled to be held on **16.08.2024(Friday) at NAGPUR**, so that this office may present the status during the meeting.

This issues with the approval of Commissioner, CMPFO.

Encl: As above.

Yours faithfully

(S. K. Sinha)

Additional Commissioner

Copy to:

1. Shri Bijoy Samanta, D.S, Ministry of Coal, New Delhi - for information .
2. Director(Per.), SECL, Bilaspur - for information and necessary action.
3. All Regional Offices of CMPFO- with a request to furnish ATRs on the decisions related to their respective Regional Office within 15 days.
4. PA to Commissioner, CMPFO, Dhanbad - for information please.

(S. K. Sinha)

Additional Commissioner

MINUTES OF THE MEETING WITH BOT MEMBERS (UNION REPRESENTATIVE) HELD ON 22.06.2024 AT BILASPUR

In pursuance of decision taken in 177th BoT Meeting, the 7th meeting with Union Representatives(BoT) was held on 22.06.2024 at Bilaspur. The following participated in meeting:

CMPFO

1. Shri V.K. Mishra, Commissioner
2. Shri S.K. Sinha, Additional Commissioner
3. Shri R.S. Kashyap, Regional Commissioner-II, R.O. Jabalpur
4. Shri R.K. Sinha, Regional Commissioner-II, R.O. Bilaspur

BOT MEMBER (UNION REPRESENTATIVE)

1. Shri D D Ramanandan(CITU)
2. Shri Rakesh Kumar (HMS)
3. Shri Asish Krishna Murti (AKBMS)

SOUTH EASTERN COAL FIELDS (SECL)

1. Shri B. Das, Director (P), SECL
2. Smt. Sujata Rani, Deputy General Manager, SECL
3. Shri R.S. Rao, Chief Manager, SECL
4. Shri Rajesh Kumar Tiwari, SECL
5. Shri Sharad Kumar Tiwari, Treasurer, CMOAI, SECL

Commissioner welcomed the members and Dir (P), SECL and stated the purpose of holding this meeting at Bilaspur.. He further briefed about development and status of various activities in CMPFO since last meeting held on 19.04.2024 such as :-

- (i) He informed the Members that after notified Recruitment Rules, 2024 of CMPFO the DPC for long pending promotion in the Group 'B', Group 'C' has been completed. DPC for Group A is also being done at MoC. Filling of vacant posts through deputation has also been advertised. CMPFO is also in process for filling of vacant posts in all Cadres through UPSC and SSC.
- (ii) Finance module under C-CARES is under discussion with Bank and Coal Companies.
- (iii) Revised PPO is being issued by various Regional Offices. CMPFO has been coordinating with coal companies to expedite the issuance of revised PPO.

Dir (P), SECL thanked Commissioner for organising meeting with Union Representative (BoT) to discuss the issues of SECL. He further requested Commissioner that (i) pension contribution should also captured in Ledger Card (ii) Issues related with C-DAC should be resolved.

Commissioner thereafter asked Shri S.K. Sinha, Addl. Commissioner to take up agenda points for discussion:-

ITEM No.- I: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 19.04.2024 AT BILASPUR.

No comments were received on the minutes circulated. As such, the minutes of last meeting held on 19.04.2024 at Bilaspur was confirmed.

ITEM No.- II ACTION TAKEN REPORT OF THE ISSUES DISCUSSED/DECISION IN THE LAST MEETING HELD ON 19.04.2024.

Deliberation: Shri S.K. Sinha, Additional Commissioner briefed the members about the issues raised during last meeting by Shri D.D. Ramanadan about settlement of pension of superannuated members of Dankuni Colliery. Shri Sinha informed that 30 cases have been settled. Shri Ramanadan expressed that the interest on less payment should be waived off by CMPFO. Commissioner informed that there is no such provision in Scheme, however, the same will be examined..

Shri Sinha further briefed about the issue raised by Shri Rakesh Kumar regarding recovery of excess pension in widown pension claims. Commissioner informed that Banks and Coal companies have been approached to resolve the issue. Shri Rakesh Kumar requested that Banks should be asked to visit to such pensioners place who are unable to move for updation of life certificate. Commissioner agreed to the suggestion and ensured that Banks would be asked to assist in the matter.

ITEM No.- III : AGENDA ITEMS OF SOUTH EASTER COAL LIMITED (SECL)

- a. **Ledger Updation and transfer :** Shri Rajesh Tiwari, SECL raised this issue that there are many employees whose ledger card has still to be updated.

Decision: Commissioner asked the Regional Offices to obtain the list of retiree for the next six months and update the Ledger Card for missing entry.

[Action : ROs Bilaspur & Jabalpur]

- b. **Return of claims showing discrepancies by CMPFO :** It was informed that many claims are being returned to coal companies due to mistakes in name and minor discrepancies. Shri Ramanadan asked that when there is four months time period of receipt of claims such discrepancies should be resolved well before the

retirement of members. Shri R.K. Sinha, RC-II, Bilaspur informed that claims are not being received four months before the retirement. Shri Rakesh Kumar asked that it may be verified from the VV statement received or any source. Shri Tiwary, SECL informed that in many cases where member joined as apprentice and deduction of PF starts during the period and gets appointment afterward which causes discrepancies in date of joining as Member and Date of appointment in SECL.

Decision: Commissioner informed that a circular in this regard has already been issued to all Regional Offices to discourage return of claims and resolve the issue in consideration with Coal Management. He further mentioned that in minor discrepancies a joint declaration by coal companies may be forwarded with claim file.

[Action : All ROs of CMPFO]

c. ISSUE OF REVISED PPO: Shri Tiwary informed that number of cases are pending for issuance of revised PPO.

Deliberation: Regional Head of R.O. CMPFO, Bilaspur and Jabalpur informed that SECL has simply forwarded the details of pensioner without any comments which needs to be forwarded with their approval. SECL authorities informed that it would not be possible to verify the details being forwarded by the pensioners due to old documents.

Decision: Commissioner asked Dir (P) to provide service of some of the officials of SECL(unit wise) to expedite issuance of revised PPO of the existing pensioners in close coordination with ROs.

[Action : ROs Bilaspur,Jabalpur CMPFO & SECL]

d. In case of other than salary account, NOC from concerned bank (Where salary is being credited) is being asked.

Deliberation: SECL authorities informed that due to demand of NOC from ROs of CMPFO from the Branch where salary account of employees of SECL was held led to non-settlement of pending claims.

Decision: Commissioner informed that since there is no such provision exists, such practice should be avoided. He further asked SECL authorities to do awareness among the employees to open salary account preferably in the nationalised bank.

[Action : ROs Bilaspur, Jabalpur of CMPFO & SECL]

e. There are many cases in which family disputes are there. During submission of PF Claims at the time of superannuation, such employees are not giving their spouse details in Sahaj Form. Due to this PF claims are held up. PF claims should be disposed in such cases without spouse details.

Decision: Commissioner asked CMPFO Regional Heads to settle PF claim of such employees after verification of documents. Further payment of pension would be processed only after settlement of disputes.

[Action : All ROs of CMPFO]

f. Some of the employees were allotted CMPF A/C No. through online system in the past. Such Account No. are in numeric form like 1030220000686, 1581067544631. Master data of such employees were sent to CDAC with above CMPF A/C No., but CDAC has not considered these cases and data of such employees are not available in C-Care portal.

Decision : Commissioner informed that C-DAC will be consulted for resolve of such discrepancies.

[Action : Office of the Commissioner]

g. Some of members withdrawn their VPF amount during the service period but continued their VPF deduction from salary.

Deliberation: The Regional Heads informed that once VPF amount withdrawn, there is no such provision in Scheme for its continuation but in many of the cases it still continued and deposited in CMPFO. SECL authorities informed that there should be a mechanism to check such amount deposited erroneously.

Decision: Commissioner informed that erroneously deposited amount, if any will be dealt as per provision of the scheme.

[Action : All ROs of CMPFO]

Shri Rakesh Kumar raised the following issues:

(i) **PAYMENT OF WIDOW PENSION:** He informed that many of the widow pension claims are pending due to non-recovery of excess paid amount. He further requested that a circular in this regard again may be issued for adjustment of excess paid amount from the arrear of pension.

Decision: Agreed.

[Action : Office of the Commissioner]

(ii) **UN-UNIFORMITY IN ISSUE OF REVISED PPO** : He informed that there is no uniformity among the ROs of CMPFO in issuance of PPO with joint photograph pasted.

Decision : A circular will be issued to all Regional Offices in the matter.

[Action : Office of the Commissioner]

(iii) **UPDATION OF LEDGER CARDS**

(iv) **SETTLEMENT OF DEATH CLAIM**

Decision: Commissioner informed that in C-DAC ledger card is now centrally stored/captured so updation is not any issue. Further, for settlement of death claims, the process will be commenced soon.

[Action : Office of the Commissioner]

(v) **SETTLEMENT OF PF AND PENSION OF DISPUTE CASES :** He informed that in some of the cases claims kept pending due to dispute in family. He further advised that PF claims should be settled in the name of Member and if member alive the pension may also be settled.

Decision: Commissioner agreed on the point of Shri Rakesh and ensured that necessary action will be taken in this regard.

[Action : Office of the Commissioner]

(vi) **DISCREPENCIES IN ISSUE OF ACCOUNT NUMBER :-** Shri Rakesh Kumar informed that some of the members have been issued two CMPF Accounts numbers which is wrong.

Decision: Commissioner informed that in C-DAC such discrepancies has been identified and removed.

(vii) **ISSUE OF DANKUNI COLLIERY:** He informed that interest on less contribution may be waived.

Decision: Commissioner informed that as per provision of the Scheme the contribution is to be paid.

(viii) **Issue of VPF, Members of Contractor worker**

Decision: The same has already been discussed.

(ix) **INDIVIDUAL CLAIMS RELATED TO ROs OF CMPFO**

Decision: The details of claims will be forwarded to concerned Regional Offices for necessary action.

[Action : Concerned ROs of CMPFO]

Shri A.K. Murti raised the following issues:

- (i) **SETTLEMENT OF ADVANCES/ LOAN :** He informed that in RO Nagpur advances are not being settled.

Decision: Commissioner informed that instructions will be issued to RO Nagpur in the matter.

[Action : RO Nagpur]

- (ii) **NON-SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS AFTER DECREE OF COURT:** He informed that claims are not being paid even after decree of Court. Shri S. K. Sinha, Addl. Comm. informed that in those cases where CMPFO is not a party, it is not bound to follow the order of Court. CMPFO settle the claims as per provisions contained in Act and Scheme.

Decision: Commissioner asked Shri Murti to forward such cases to examine at CMPFO level.

[Action : RO Nagpur]

- (iii) **INDIVIDUAL CLAIMS STATUS :** He asked to forward status of following claims:-

- a. Smt. Sadhna Siingh W/o Pramod Kumar Sing, CMPF A/c No. JBP/23/1819
- b. Shri Tejas Ram, CMPF A/c No. JBP/4/50/1412
- c. Shri Balram Das, CMPF A/c No. JBP/24/4340
- d. Shri Jaikumar, CMPF A/c No. JBP/4/50/1315

Cases of double CMPF A/c No.

- a. Shri Amiya Mishra, CMPF A/c No. JBP/98/594
- b. Shri Ramedeo (Bhatgaon Area)

Shri D.D. Ramanandan

He agreed with some of the issues raised by Shri Rakesh Kumar. He further stated that CMPFO should take lenient view on the issue of Dankuni Colliery regarding deposit of interest on due amount.

Agenda of CMPFO R.O. Bilaspur

- (i) **SUBMISSION OF INCOMPLETE CLAIMS :** Shri R. K. Sinha, RC-II, RO Bilaspur informed that due to receipt of incomplete claims the claims are being returned which is in violation of decision taken in 180th BoT Meeting. Shri Sinha informed that claims should be examined properly by SECL before forwarding it to the CMPFO. SECL authorities informed that in some of the cases even coal companies have not sufficient information as employees claims late after exit of service.

Decision: Commissioner informed that since these kind of claims are very few in number hence such cases may be resolved in consultation with Coal companies.

- (ii) **PAYMENT OF VC AFTER WITHDRAWAL/DISCONTINUATION OF V.C.:** Shri Sinha, RC-II, Bilaspur informed that many of the cases VC continued even after withdrawal and further interest of deposited amount are being sought from Member. Such practice requires to be checked as there is no provision in the Scheme to remit interest on erroneous deposited amount. Shri Sharad expressed that it is also a CMPFO duty to check the amount receives from Coal Companies and examine such erroneous payment.

Decision: Commissioner informed that being a Social Security Organisation CMPFO may return the wrong-deposited as per provisions of scheme.

[Action : Office of the Commissioner]

- (iii) **Deputation of some officials from SECL for issue of revised PPO :**

Shri Sinha informed that due to less strength in the Regional Office issue of revised PPO is not up to the mark and asked for services of some officials from SECL. Dir (P), SECL agreed on and asked to provided schedule of such settlement unit-wise so that officials will be departed accordingly.

[Action : RO Bilaspur]

It was agreed to hold the next meeting on **16th August (Friday) to be held at Nagpur** to discuss issues related with WCL(Western Coalfields Limited).

· The meeting ended with vote of thanks.
