

Activities of Central Government Pensioners' Welfare Association, J&K,

Highlights of the Week Ending November 16, 2015:

- **Information on Latest Circulars/O.M.s & Brief on Minutes of 27th SCOVA Meeting held on 13th October, 2015:** The house was intimated about the latest O.Ms issued by Department of Pension & Pensioners Welfare (DOPPW). Members were also briefed on the Minutes of 27th SCOVA Meeting in which issues pertaining to Digitization of CGHS Centre Jammu and opening of an Extension Counter of CGHS at Srinagar were also discussed. An assurance has been given for fast tracking the pending digitization works by the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare. However, the Ministry has expressed its inability to open Extension Counter at Srinagar for the present due to infrastructural constraints.
- **It was decided in the meeting that concerted efforts for CGHS Extension Counter at Srinagar will be continued and a meeting with the Chief Minister of Jammu & Kashmir will also be organized in this regard.** Intervention of the Chief Minister in this urgent issue will surely be helpful. The President, Mr. S.S.Wazir said that he will try to seek appointment from the Chief Minister soon.
- **Meeting the A.G. J & K:** A team of 4 members of the Association comprising S/Shri S.S.Wazir, K.B.Jandial, H.N.Raina and J.K.Vaid held a meeting with Mr. K. Subramaniam, Accountant General (A&E) Jammu & Kashmir in his office at Jammu on 16th Nov. 2015 and held detailed discussions with him with regard to revision of PPOs and release of arrears of the pensioners and family pensioners w.e.f. 1.1.2006 in light of the recent O.Ms issued by DoPPW, GoI. He was impressed upon the need to take *suo moto* action in the matter with minimum of paper work and form filling formalities by the old pensioners to get their rightful dues without hassles. Mr. Subramaniam has assured his full cooperation in the matter.
- **Weekly Talk by Shri B.D.Mal Barna, Retd. Director GSI on Highest Railway Bridge on Chenab:** Shri Barna gave an informative Power Point Presentation of the Highest Railway Bridge under construction over Chenab River in Reasi District of J & K. The bridge is an Arch Bridge of 1312 Mtr length and 359 Mtr height from the river bed. Length of the Arch is 467 Mtr, Deck Width of 13.5 Mtrs and 18 Nos. of piers. The revised estimated cost of the bridge is 1130 crores. The members were happy to learn the details of this unique Railway Bridge Project of Northern Railways being executed by AFCONS Infrastructures Ltd under supervision of Konkan Railway Corporation Ltd.



- **Condolence Resolution on demise of Mrs. Paramjeet Kour:** The Association members are grieved to learn about the untimely demise of Mrs. Paramjeet Kour, beloved wife of Shri Didar Singh, IBS (Retd) on 6th November, 2015 at Jammu. A Condolence Resolution was passed with prayers in her memory.
- **Briefing by Mr. Nazir Ahmed Bhat, Secretary, Srinagar Branch:** Mr. Bhat, IAS (Retd) attended the meeting and presented to the house the activities and issues pertaining to Srinagar Chapter of the Association. Lack of Extension Counter of CGHS Centre and lack of office accommodation for the Association are the burning issues at Srinagar, he said.



- **Birthday Celebrations of Mr. K.B.Jandia, IAS (Retd):** The meeting ended with a happy note on Birthday celebrations of Mr. Jandial with presentation of bouquet by the President. *Kabhi Khushi, Kabhi Gamm. That is What Life is!*



- **Weekly Meeting on 9th November, 2015:** was cancelled due to unavoidable reasons. This report pertains to the last fortnight.

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