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FIVE IMPORTANT ISSUES AFFECTING PROGRAMME STAFF IN AIR & DD CENTRES

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Sir,

I wish to bring to your kind attention the following 5 issues that is creating unrest among the Programme staff in different stations and wish to request your kind self's intervention to resolve them amicably,

1. DPC in the Cadre of PEX : In this context i wish to once again reiterate our earlier submissions for diversion of the vacant PEX DR Quota posts to accommodate all the PEX insitus, so as to remove stagnation among TREXs working as such without any promotions for the past 24 – 26 years. Such diversion of DR had been done earlier also on 07.03.1991, 10.06.1993 & 27.11.2013 to overcome stagnation in the feeder cadres (due to inclusion of a new feeder cadre in 1984), and such diversion will also be in line with the Cadre Review recommendations of 17.10.1984 (Para.iii, Page.20) to make the PEX cadre a 100% promotion post similar to the AE post in Engineering service. Several communications have already taken place in this regard between AIR Directorate, Prasar Bharati and the Ministry.

2. A time bound grant of MACP to PEXs & ADPs after completion of 22 years service : In this regard, I wish to point to our earlier letters on this and say that inspite of more than one year passing by since the first order (28.06.2019), hundreds of staff are yet to get the benefit, and the sorry part is that re-fixations are being done to retiring staff who would otherwise have been benefitted if the order of 28.06.2019 had been extended to all. In this regard, I had written to your kindself earlier as well to delegate this exercise to the new Zonal Admin vertical , so as to complete the whole work in a time bound manner. I wish to once again request your kindself to consider that suggestion to empower the New Zonal verticals with the MACP work for programme staff.

3. Timely transfer & relieving of staff completing tenure in difficult stations : The transfer process was stalled due to corona and its consequent effects (like non-availability of public transport , quarantine etc). However, those having completed tenure in difficult stations need to be transferred out, as their mental agony is compounded by the fact that most of them are away from their family and are helpless inspite of completing tenures. I am citing 2 such examples of suffering staff

– Sh.Lipor Tali PEX AIR Lunglei (Mizoram) and Sh.Unnikrishnan PEX AIR Madikeri (Karnataka). I request your kindself to consider issuing suitable instructions for transferring out atleast those who have completed tenure in difficult stations.

4. Inadvertant mistake in the Eligibility List of DD PAs issued by AIR directorate on 08.10.2020 : In the said eligibility list, the names of 88 Production Assistants promoted vide 4 DG AIR orders dated 23.10.2013, 26.11.2013, 28.11.2013 and 17.12.2013 issued as Order No's- No.04/04/2012-S1(B) Vol.1/ 1164, 1270, 1278 and 337 respectively and who were all born after 31.03.1953 are not included . It is submitted to look at this inadvertent mistake and include them as such in the Eligibility list of DD PAs .

5. Hiring of Infrastructure Facilities in AIR & DD : This is w.r.t the circular dated 25.09.2020 (No.19(113)ARC/2020) issued by AIR Resources entrusting the responsibility of hiring AIR Studio facilities to Law enforcement agencies with the HOPs. In this regard, it is submitted that, in similar issues concerning hiring of infrastructure facilities in DD (like DSNG / OB Vans, Studio facility, Editing facilities etc), the responsibility is with the Engineering vertical. The new practice of entrusting infrastructure hiring to programme staff only puts pressure on them to perform one more administrative responsibility , while they are already understaffed thereby diverting their time & focus from content creation. Hence it is requested that the practice of hiring out infrastructure facilities in AIR be given to the Engineering division as is being done in DD.

I submit & request your kindself to look in to the above five issues sympathetically , so as to avoid further frustration building up among programme staff all over the country. Thanking you.

R. Srinivasan, President - Programme Staff Association of AIR & DD (the Largest Association among the Programme staff- with over 200 Units across our country and the Oldest Functioning Association in the department - active since 05.01.1961)

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