PROCEEDINGS OF THE PENSIONERS' MEETING HELD ON 20.05.2024

A meeting of the pensioner's / family pensioners of CRIDA was held on 20.05.2024 at 16:00 hrs under the Chairmanship of Director, CRIDA. The following officers were present for Institute side:-

- 1. Shri NVRN Murty, Chief Finance & Accounts Officer
- 2. Shri V. Sanu, Administrative Officer
- 3. Shri K. Narsimha, Asst. Administrative Officer
- 4. Smt D. Kalpana, Asst. Administrative Officer
- 5. Shri K. Gowtham Reddy, Asst. Administrative Officer

At the outset, Dr. Vinod Kumar Singh, Director CRIDA welcomed all the members and extended his warm wishes to all. Thereafter the following agenda items were taken up for discussion:

AGENDA ITEMS	
1.	Request for provision of Medical reimbursement details in respect of Dr.G R Korwar, Ex- Head, DRM
2.	Payment of Provisional Pension to Shri.K L Prasad, Ex-Senior Technical Officer
3.	Grant of Ph.D Increments as per Supreme Court/ ICAR orders to Dr.JV Rao, Ex-Principal Scientist & Dr.AS Rao, Ex-Principal Scientist.
4.	Revision of Pension and Retirement Benefits i.r.o. Smt.P.Lakshmi Narasamma, Ex-CTO
5.	Validity of Medical Identity Cards issued for Pensioners
6.	Empanelment of New Hospitals
7.	GPF dues in respect of Smt. BV Ramana, Ex- T-5
8.	Grant of Pay Protection for Dr.S K Yadav, Ex- Pr.Scientist
9.	Any other point with the permission of the chair

Agenda Item 1:

Request for provision of Medical reimbursement details in respect of Dr.G R Korwar, Ex-Head. DRM

The Pensioner has raised a grievance stating that out of the Medical claims submitted by him towards the reimbursement of medical expenditure incurred towards self and his wife for an amount of Rs.4,20,688/-, only an amount of Rs.1,82,772/- was reimbursed and the balance amount of Rs.2,37,916/- was not received by him so far.

In this regard, Director has instructed the Administration to provide the necessary details sought by the Pensioner, considering this as a special case and it was also pronounced clearly that the same shall not be considered as a precedent.

Agenda item 2:

Payment of Provisional Pension to Shri.K L Prasad, Ex-Senior Technical Officer

The Matter has been discussed by the Administrative Officer and was brought to the notice of the Competent Authority that the Official is being paid Provisional Pension as his regarding his Service is *sub judice* and the final judgement is awaited.

Meanwhile, the payment of provisional pension has been stalled as the same cannot be paid for more than 6 months. Director has instructed to explore all possible options to revive the provisional pension payment till the final judgement.

Agenda item 3:

Grant of Ph.D Increments as per Supreme Court/ ICAR orders to Dr.JV Rao, Ex-Principal Scientist & Dr.AS Rao, Ex-Principal Scientist.

The Administrative Officer has replied stating that the clear instructions regarding the grant of Ph.D increments are yet to be issued by the Council. After issue of the same, all the cases that are eligible for grant of Ph.D increments will be dealt accordingly. Director has instructed to pursue the matter and resolve at the earliest.

Agenda item 4:

Revision of Pension and Retirement Benefits i.r.o. Smt.P.Lakshmi Narasamma, Ex-CTO

The Administrative Officer has replied stating that the it was proposed to seek Council clarification in this case and hence, the delay. Director has instructed to pursue the matter and resolve at the earliest.

Agenda item 5:

Validity of Medical Identity Cards issued for Pensioners

The Medical Identity Cards issued for the Pensioners are with a validity period of One year. Pensioners have requested to issue ID Cards without any validity period. The same was not accepted by the Competent Authority and it was assured that renewal of the cards shall be done promptly to avoid any inconvenience to the pensioners.

Agenda item No.6

Empanelment of New Hospitals

Requests were received from various pensioners to revise the list of Empaneled Hospitals with CRIDA as many of the Hospitals are not extending the treatment as per CGHS tariff.

The pensioners were informed that efforts are being made on regular basis to have an MoU with maximum number of hospitals through repeated e-mails. However, many of the Hospitals are yet to submit their MoU proposals. In this regard, Competent Authority requested the pensioners also to purse the matter with their preferred hospitals in and around their place of settlement to expedite the matter. It was assured that any administrative support, if needed, shall be provided from the Institute side.

Agenda item No.7

Dues in respect of Smt. BV Ramana, Ex- T-5

The matter was discussed. It was confirmed that GPF amount in respect of Smt B.V. Ramana had been transferred by the Council to CRIDA. Approval and sanction of the competent authority has been obtained and the money is ready to be released. However, since Smt BV Ramana is unavailable through any means of contact, the money could not be disbursed. Smt Ramana may make a physical presence at the office and provide the necessary details required by Audit & Accounts section for release of her dues.

Agenda item No.8

Grant of Pay Protection for Dr.S K Yadav, Ex- Pr. Scientist

A request was received from Dr.S K Yadav, Ex- Principal Scientist for grant of Pay Protection as his junior is drawing more pay than him. In this regard, AO has replied stating that the case has been examined and was sent to council for considering his request however, the same was turned down by the Council. The same has been communicated to Dr Yadav.

Agenda item No.09

Any other point with the permission of the chair

- 1. A request was made to have the next Pensioners' Meeting in hybrid mode so that a greater number of pensioners are able to participate. The proposal was agreed to.
- 2. A request was made to invite the Pensioners for Institute Foundation Day celebrations. Competent Authority has assured that the same shall be considered in future.
- 3. A request was made to look into the pending pension revision of Dr.I.A Khan, Ex- Pr.Scientist. It was informed that the case was returned by the PAO-NAARM for need of some additional information and the same is under process at the Institute and shall be resolved at the earliest.
- 4. A request was made to look into the case of Shri B. Anjaiah, Ex-SSS who has won his case in the Hon'ble CAT, Hyderabad Bench with regard to alteration of his Date of Birth and release of additional retirement benefits. The pensioner was informed that the order of the Hon'ble CAT has been challenged before the Hon'ble High Court of Telangana and the judgement is pending.

The meeting ended with Vote of Thanks to the Chair.

Administrative Officer (Estt.)