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CENTRALISATION A COMPLETE FAILURE!

Now the Department intends to optimize the mail network in the name of re-organisaion. For this, the Department appointed a consulting firm, Mckinsey & Co. when the Department discussed the project with staff side, we opposed this project saying that if the project is implemented, the mails will be delayed. It will ultimately pave the way for the couriers to get more business.

The Department has already optimized the Speed post network and created speed post hub. After creating speed post hubs, the speed post mails which were delivered earlier within 48 hours are now takes 72 hours to 96 hours before delivery. Further, the operational cost is also more when compared to earlier. We have sent detailed letter to the Directorate in this regard. But alas it was not even acknowledged. When we discussed this with the Secretary, Dept. of posts and Member (O), we were told that the Speed Post revenue increased when compared to earlier. Immediately we have replied to the officers concerned that the increase in revenue was due to bulk business activities and not due to customers related mails which were received across the counters of the post offices. If we analyse the volume of speed post articles received through counters we can find out

there is steep fall in mail traffic from 30% to 40%. Compared to earlier. To this, they are not ready to reply.

Now the Department is going to centralize the RMS offices which deal with first class mails. If this is implemented, many mail offices have to face closure. This will cause unnecessary displacement of employees as well as inordinate delay to public mails.

We are aware what happened to registered mails after the centralization of registration work. Earlier in Metro cities, the registration traffic was about 2.75 lakhs to 3 lakhs. After centralization, now it shranked to 80000 to 125000. Daily one lakh registered mails has gone to local couriers/organized couriers in the Metro cities.

We should not forget that in 1980s and before, we used to deliver local mails within a day.

In the earlier days also, the Departmental officers used to consult private firms in order to improve our business. Report of the consulting was discussed with official side thoroughly and many of the proposals were dropped on the reason that it wasnot suitable for India post. Today suggestions of Mckinsey & Co are being issued as orders by the

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Directors of the Department and not even by the Board Members.

In short, the Mckinsey's suggestions are prepared as power point presentation without discussing the pros and cons of the presentation not even with official side and orders are issued by the Directors. In other words, all statutory rules framed by our forefathers of the Department are thrown into wind by the Directors. Even the Directors have no right to discuss the presentation of the Mckinsey. They have to issue orders to implement the suggestions of the Mckinsey.

Our union is of firm view that a new approach is the need of the hour for effective mail handling. But what kind of an approach is required in urban and rural sectors, what segment can be automated; which are the areas where the traditional handling will have to stay for a few more years are to be discussed thoroughly with staff side before implementing suggestions of the Mckinsey & Co. or else, the centralization will lead to complete failure of the first class mails system.

16. Ensure full fledged functioning of newly formed Postal Accounts Offices by providing adequate staff strength and accommodation. Rectify the anomaly caused due to promotion of Group 'D' official to the cadre of LDC after 2006. Restore the residency period of three years in respect of JA to SA promotion retrospectively w.e.f. 13.12.2006. Grant MACP to those joined in Sorter cadre treating LDC as entry grade as the Sorter grade has been defunct since 2000.

17. Counting of past services rendered by erstwhile RTPs for promotions and MACP.

18. Implement Apex Court Judgement in case of RRR Candidates in true spirit and extend to all approved RRR Candidates awaiting for absorption.

19. Stop Harassing and victimization of innocent officials under contributory negligence factors. Implement the true spirit of Govt orders and Volumes and no recovery should be made if the concerned is not directly responsible for the loss sustained to the department.

20. Stop discrimination towards PO & RMS Accounts Cadre, Create separate cadre and earmark % of posts for norm based promotions in the same cadre, Count Special Allowance for fixation on promotion, Withdraw the recovery imposed on Postman Pay fixation and drawal of bonus to GDS. Restore the date of passing the Acct examination for according LSG promotions instead date of entry in PA cadre.

21. Enhance the LR strength on all cadres to the extent of 20% and fill up all vacant LR posts.

22. Ensure prompt grant of Child Care Leave as per the liberalized orders, unnecessary hurdles put forth should be dropped.

23. Review the MACP clarifactory orders and rectify the issues like, non drawal of spl allowance on acquiring MACP, wrong interpretation of Illrd MACP to departmental promotes only after 30 years, Counting as double promotions as Group D & Postmen even in the case of promotion to Postman on GDS quota, non counting of training period for MACP, ignore promotions acquired on deptl exam for MACP, ignore all uncommunicated average benchmarks for MACP as Judicial verdict.

24. Stop attack on Union office bearers by misusing Rule 37 transfers and Rule 9 of CCS (CCA) Rules. Dispose all Rule 9 (Pension rules) disciplinary cases pending at Directorate years together.

25. Denying the legitimate right of employees to avail holidays & Sundays by compelling them to attend frequent meetings/ Melas.

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CHARTER OF DEMANDS

1. Stop closure /merger of PO/RMS Offices including BOs. Review the orders implementing Speed Post Hubs and Delivery Hubs and restore status quo ante. Stop outsourcing the works of Postal, RMS & MMS functions.
2. Grant status as Central Civil Servant to GDS employees for all purposes including service matters, pay scale, increment, allowances, pension, promotion and other terminal benefits, leave, bonus and trade union facilities. Scrap new recruitment rules for appointment as postmen which curtails promotional avenues - restore previous rules and withdraw tighten norms assessing BPM's work. Drop reduction of allowances in case of reduction of workload.
3. Revise the wages of casual labourers and contingent employees w.e.f. 01.01.2006 based on the minimum pay recommended by 6th CPC. Stop outsourcing the work of casual labourers and contingent work. Grant temporary status to eligible full time casual labourers , Convert part time into full time absorb full time, part time contingent employees in vacant GDS posts.
4. Immediate revision of OTA & OSA rates.
5. Implement the assurances made on 12.07.2010 Strike Settlement and also the JCM Departmental Council Meeting held on 23.08.2010.(List enclosed) Ensure prompt holding of Departmental Council Meetings.
6. Immediate finalization of Cadre Restructuring proposals including Postal Accounts as assured by the Secretary Department of Posts and its implementation.
7. Stop decentralization of Postal Accounts, PLI and RPLI and ensure status-quo. Save DPLI office, Kolkata and ensure job security to the staff, DPLI.
8. Expedite the process of filling of all vacant posts in all Wings including GDS.
9. Stop implementation of Postmaster Cadre till finalization of Cadre Restructuring. Ensure 100% filling up of LSG, HSG-II, HSG-I before implementation of Postmasters Cadre, remove the retrograde eligibility conditions for appearing the examination of Grade I and PSS Group B and allow account line officials also.
10. Drop the proposed move of ending the services of existing System Administrators by outsourcing the technology work to the outsider agencies. Create the System Administrators Posts as assured and specified norms and other works and make the cadre as a promotional cadre to PA/SA.
11. Stop combination of beats /double duty, stop harassment of staff insisting 100% impracticable condition for delivery under Project Arrow. Settle the demands raised in the Postmen Committee such as distance factor, number of articles, Grant of Cycle allowance without distance condition, cash payment for uniform and kit items, Supply of good quality uniforms, Revision of norms.
12. Fixing norms for new assigned works of MTS. Allow to decline postman promotion for MTS under seniority quota and review the recruitment rules of MTS to Postmen / Mail Guards.
13. Grant promotions to Drivers / Artisans at par with other C.G. organizations like Railways/Defence. Higher Pay Scales to charge hand & Drivers. Revision of CRC EPP and Logistic norms.
14. Declare SBCO Staff as Divisional cadre , Stop harassment of SBCO officials under contributory factors. Complete the Ledger Agreement Work update the SBCO before launching Core Banking.
15. Fill up all Postal Civil Wing and Electrical Wing posts as per CPWD norms. Creation of Postal/Electrical and Architectural Division in every Circle. Expedite the Restructuring of Civil Wing Cadres.

The Postal JCA has decided the following General Secretaries to be incharge of the Circle level JCAs as shown in the list.

CIRCLES	NFPE	FNPO
Assam N.E, West Bengal	Com. Pranab Bhattacharjee, G/S, Admn	Shri.O.P.Khanna, G/S Admn.
Kerala, Tamilnadu	Com. S. Appanraj, G/S, SBCO	Shri S.Sambandan, G/S, SBCO
Karnataka, M. P	Com. S. S. Mahadevaiah, G/S, AIPEDU	Shri P.U .Muralidharan G/S,NUGDS
A. P., Chhattishgarh	Com. Satyanarayanan, G/S, Postal Accounts	Shri.H.L.Ramteke G/S, Postal A/Cs
Orissa, Bihar, Jharkhand	Com. P. Suresh, G/S, R4	Shri Abdul Haffiz Siddique G/S, R4
U. P., Uttarakhand	Com. Raheem, G/S, Postal Civil Wing	Shri. P.P.Ghorai G/S, Postal civil wing
Punjab, J & K	Com. Giriraj Singh, G/S, R3	Shri.Deepak Muharjee W.Presi R3
Haryana, Delhi, Rajasthan, H.P	Com. Ishwar Singh Dabas, G/S, P4	Shri.TN Rahate General Secretary P4
Maharashtra, Gujarat	Com. K. V. Sridharan, G/S, P3	Shri. D.Kishan Rao, G/S, P3

- ✘ They will be incharge for overseeing all the arrangements in organizing struggle programmes jointly under the banner of JCA.
- ✘ If there is no existence of JCA that should be formed before 05.05.2011 in the presence of nominated incharge by JCA. There should be no deviation in this regard.
- ✘ All Branch/Divisional Secretaries convention of all constituents of Postal JCA at Circle level shall be held on 25.05.2011. As per the dates mentioned in the Annexure. The leaders attending the Circle level convention shall be informed in advance about the arrangements.
- ✘ The authorized representative (respective G/S) shall obtain all telephone number of all affiliates of their Federation and co ordinate among them for the smooth functioning of Circle JCA.
- ✘ Secretary General NFPE, FNPO & General Secretaries of GDS unions will intervene incase of any dispute/problems in any circle and their decision is final in the formation and functioning of circle JCA.

CIRCLE LEVEL JOINT CONVENTIONS

No	Circle	Date	NFPE	FNPO
1	Andhra Pradesh	29.05.2011	Com. R. Seethalakshmi, ASG,NFPE	Shri B.Shivakumar ASG FNPO
2	Assam	29.05.2011	Com. S. P. Mukherjee, V.Presi, NFPE	Shri HC Dutta CS NUR-C
3	Bihar	29.05.2011	Com. Giriraj Singh, GS, R3	Shri DeepakMuharjee,W.Presi.NUR-C
4	Chattisgarh	29.05.2011	Com. D.K. Rahate, President, NFPE	P.Jaiswal NAPE-C
5	Delhi	05.06.2011	Secy. Generals & Gen Secretaries	SG&GS
6	Gujarat	29.05.2011	Com. K. V. Sridharan, G/S,P3	Shri D.Kishanrao GS P/3
7	Haryana	29.05.2011	Com. K. K. Sharma, V.P, NFPE	Shri Brij Mohan F/S FNPO
8	Himachal Pradesh	29.05.2011	Com. Raj Kumar, F/S, NFPE	Shri OP Chauhan C/S NAPE-C
9	Jammu & Kashmir	29.05.2011	Com. Pranab Bhattacharjee, G/S, Admn.	Shri OP Khanna G/S ADMIN
10	Jharkhand	29.05.2011	Com. R. N. Parashar, ASG, NFPE	Shri RK Ambasta,Deputy GS NUR-C
11	Karnataka	29.05.2011	Com. S. Raghupathi, ASG, NFPE	Shri G.P Muthukrishnan VP FNPO
12	Kerala	29.05.2011	Com. S. Appanraj, G/S , SBCO Com. C. Chandrasekhar, W/P, NFPE	S.Sambandan G/S SBCO
13	Madhya Pradesh	29.05.2011	Com. M. Krishnan, S/G, NFPE	T.N.Rahate President FNPO
14	Maharashtra	05.06.2011	Com. I. S. Dabas, G/S, P4	B.S.Kashid Deputy SG FNPO
15	North East	05.06.2011	Com. Pranab Bhattacharjee, G/S, Admn.	Shri P.Charabarthi C/S N.E Circle.
16	Orissa	29.05.2011	Com. P. Suresh, G/S, R4	Shri AH.SIDDIQ G/S R-4
17	Punjab	29.05.2011	Com. I. S. Dabas, G/S, P4	Shri Ashokkumar Sharma, DY G/S P/4
18	Rajasthan	05.06.2011	Com. R. N.Parashar, ASG, NFPE	Shri G.S Shankar Goud, ASG FNPO
19	Tamilnadu	05.06.2011	Com. M. Krishnan, S/G, NFPE	Will be announced later
20	Uttar Pradesh	05.06.2011	Com. Giriraj Singh, G/S, R3	Shri ShakeelAhmed burney, VP FNPO
21	Uttarakhand	29.05.2011	Com. D.S. Chauhan, V/P, NFPE	N.K.TYagi AGS NUR-C
22	West Bengal	29.05.2011	Com. S. A. Rahim, G/S, Civil Wing	Partha Pratim Ghorai G/S Civil wing

Apart from these JCA representatives All India office bearers of respective unions shall be invited for the convention.

**MEMORANDUM GIVEN TO LOK SABHA PEAKER BY THE
LEADERS OF CENTRAL TRADE UNIONS**

The Central Trade Unions of the country - INTUC, AITUC, HMS, CITU, AIUTUC, TUCC, AICCTU, UTUC, NFIR jointly participated in "March to Parliament" on 23.02.2011 under the guidance of Dr. G. Sanjeeva Reddy, President, INTUC. Thousands of workers from Central Trade Unions including NFIR actively took part in the rally. Copy of Memorandum submitted to Hon'ble Speaker, Lok Sabha, Parliament House, New Delhi by the Leaders of Central Trade Unions and Independent Workers'/ Employees' Federations on 23,d February, 2011 is printed below:

Respected Madam,

The Working people of this country represented by all the major central trade unions and national employees federations, who have assembled in lakhs in the national capital today to demonstrate before Parliament hereby urge through you before this highest insti tu tion of democracy to strongly intervne to ensure urgent corrective policy measures by the Govt. to mitigate the immense sufferings of the workers and the people owing to continuing rise in prices of the essential commodities to an abnormal height, rampant violation of labour laws and attack on labour rights, rising unemployment particularly among the youth, reckless contractorization, casualization and outsourcing etc. The CTUs and Federations also demand concrete action for univer-salization of social security benefits for entire unorganized workers without any restriction on entitle-ment on the basis of so called "poverty line" and for allocating adequate funds for the "National Social Security Fund" for that end. The CTUs and Federations also urge upon the Govt. of India to put a stop to disinvestment of shares in public sector units as it is not in the interests of the national economy and people at large.

All the above demands were unanimously formulated by all the Central Trade Unions and Federations of the country covering all affiliations and options from the All India Convention of Workers held on 14th September 2009 and since then the working people of the country voiced their concern and pressed for their demands through "All India Protest Day" on 28th October, 2009, massive dharna before Parliament as well

as state capitals and industrial centres on 16th December 2009, and country-wide satyagraha/jail bhara on 5th March 2010 in which 10 lakh workers courted arrest throughout the country.

And on 7th September 2010, the country witnessed a massive general strike covering all the sectors and segments of the economy by around 10 crore workers pressing for the same demands.

Most unfortunately, the government is not only ignoring overwhelming protest of all sections of the working people of the country but also relentlessly pursuing the same policies which accentuate price rise, like deregulation of petroleum prices, continuing indulgence and patronization to speculative trade in commodity market and allowing huge stockpile of food-grains in the FCI godowns to rot because of lack of storage capacity. Unemployment is increasing to alarming proportion, mass scale contractorization of regular and permanent work is continuing unabated, deregulation and disinvestment is being aggressively pushed through. Moreover atrocities and repression on right to association and right to collective bargaining has been increasing continuously in the country besides continuing violations of all the basic labour laws. Despite the trade unions earnestly asking for the setting up of a massive welfare fund for universal comprehensive social security coverage for the unorgani-zed workers without any restriction, the fund allocation remained nominal and restrictive provisions continued thereby pushing out overwhelming majority of the unorganized workers from the coverage of the social welfare schemes meant for them.

And the most tragic part of the happenings is that in the face of continuing price rise and increasing immiserisation of the people, the Govt. is now arguing that increase in the earnings of the people is responsible for price-rise. It is nothing but a cruel joke to the mass of the people facing sharp decline in per capita availability of food-grains and other basic commodities owing to rising prices along with increasing job-losses and unemployment and reduced earnings through mass-scale contractorization and casualisation

of the employment. The policies followed by the Govt. have created such distortion in the economy that despite increase in GDP growth rate, workers' share in value added in manufacturing has been consistently declining to reach an abysmally low level. In the service sector and the unorganized sector, situation have become more precarious.

The all in united platform of the working people of the country seeks to place before your good-self the following demands while soliciting your urgent intervention so that the Govt. is prevailed upon to take expeditious remedial measures:

- √ Price rise of essential commodities to be contained through appropriate corrective and dis-tributive measures like universal PDS and containing speculation in commodity market.
- √ Strict enforcement of all basic labour laws or stringent punitive measures for violation of labour laws.

√ Concrete proactive measures to be taken for linkage of employ-ment protection in the recession stricken sectors with the stimu-lus package to the industrialists and creation of job by augmen-ting public investment in infrastructure.

√ Steps to be taken for removal of all restrictive provisions based on poverty line in respect of eligibility of coverage of the schemes under the Unorganized Workers Social security Act 2008 and creation of National Fund for the Unorganized Sector to provide for a National Floor Level Social Security to all unorganized workers including the contract / casual workers.

√ Stop disinvestment of Shares of Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs).

The Central Trade Unions and the Federations solicit your urgent intervention in the matter.

With regards,

Amendment in Tatkal Scheme - Identity Proof

Ref: Rly. Board's letter No. 2010/TG-I/20/P/Tatkal dated 28-1-2011

Ministry of Railways (Railway Board) has amended the "Tatkal Scheme" as follows:

In the original "Tatkal Scheme" introduced in the year 1997, a provision was made that the passengers booking the ticket under this scheme would indicate their Identity Card number at the time of booking and will carry the same identity Card during journey, failing which they were considered as traveling without ticket and excess charged accordingly. This provision was withdrawn in August, 2004.

Now, in view of the complaints on the alleged irregularities in Tatkal Scheme, it has been decided to re-introduce the need for carrying anyone of the following eight Identity proofs in original during the course of journey:

- √ Voter Photo Identity Card issued by Election Commission of India.
- √ Passport
- √ PAN Card issued by Income Tax Department. IIF Driving Licence issued by RTO

√ Photo Identity Card issued by Central/State Government.

√ Student Identity Card with photograph issued by recognized School/College for their students.

√ Nationalized Bank Passbook with photograph and

√ Credit Cards issued by Banks with laminated photograph.

No Identity proof is required to be produced at the counter while getting the Tatkal ticket booked.

Anyone of the passenger / passengers will be required to produce one of the Identity proofs in original listed above for checking by ticket checking staff during the course of journey, failing which, all the passenger / passengers traveling on the said ticket will be treated as travelling without ticket and will be charged excess fare and penalty as per rules. This provision was given effect from-11.02.2011.



MAY DAY GREETINGS TO ALL

SAVE POSTAL DEPARTMENT STOP MCKINSEY DICTATED REFORMS INDEFINITE STRIKE FROM 5TH JULY 2011

JOINT COUNCIL OF ACTION DECIDES
INDEFINITE NATION WIDE STRIKE FROM
5TH JULY 2011

Submission of Charter of Demands and
demonstration on 20th April 2011
Mass Dharna in front of Dak Bhawan, Circle/
Region/Divisional Offices on 25th May 2011
Joint circle conventions of all Circle and
Divisional Secretaries in June 2011
JCA National Leaders will address the Circle
Level Joint Conventions

Mobilise the entire Postal and RMS Employees
Conduct General Bodies, Conventions, Group
Meetings and office to office campaign
Meet the MPs, MLAs and other representatives of
the people and seek their intervention
Central JCA will seek the intervention of Hon'ble
Minister Communications and IT
Ensure maximum participation of employees in all
programmes
**MAKE THE AGITATIONAL PROGRAMMES CENT
PERCENT SUCCESS**

INCREASE OF ALLOWANCES BY 25% CONSEQUENT UPON DA INCREASE BY 51% OF PAY

The Central Government has granted 6% increase of DA w.e.f. 1st January, 2011. Consequently the DA rate revised to 51 % of pay from January 1, 2011.

As per the recommendations of Sixth Central Pay Commission, the allowances will increase by 25% when the DA crosses 50% of pay. In the case of following allowances the increase by 25% shall take effect from 1st January, 2011.

1. Children Education Allowance & Reimbursement of Tuition Fee
2. Special Compensatory Hill Area Allowance
3. Special Compensatory (Scheduled/Tribal Area) Allowance
4. Project Allowance and Compensatory (Construction / Survey) Allowance
5. Special Compensatory (Bad Climate) Allowance
6. Special Compensatory (Remote Locality) Allowance
7. Washing Allowance
8. Mileage for Road Journey, all components of Daily Allowance on Tour, Rate of Transportation of personal effects.
9. Advances for purchase of Bicycle Advance, Warm Clothing Advance, Natural Calamity Advance
10. Rates of Conveyance Allowance under SR-25
11. Night Patrolling Allowance (Authority: Rly. Id's Lr.No. E(P&A)-2008/ AL/3 dated 03.11.2008)

12. Cash Handling Allowance
 13. Split Duty Allowance
 14. Risk Allowance (Employees engaged in hazardous duties). The issue is yet to be resolved as the Federation has opposed the 11th CPC recommendation for introduction of Risk Insurance Scheme.
 15. Special Allowance for Child Care for Women with Disabilities and Education Allowance for disabled children
 16. Post Graduate Allowance & Annual Allowance to Medical Officers for possessing higher qualifications
 17. Breakdown Allowance
 18. Special Allowance to specified categories
 19. Cycle Maintenance Allowance
- Para 4.2.81 of 6th Central Pay Commission recommendations.**

"The Commission recommends doubling of the extant rates of Cycle Allowance, Washing Allowance, Cash Handling Allowance, Special Allowance, Night Duty Allowance and Split Duty Allowance. Similarly, rates of allowances specific to different Ministries / Department/ Organisations not covered in this Report will also be doubled. The rates of these allowances will be increased by 25% every time the Dearness Allowance payable on revised pay scales goes up by 50%. Simultaneously, Machine Allowance should henceforth be withdrawn. Caretaking allowance is discussed in Chapter 3.8 on Common Categories".

GENERAL SECRETARY'S LETTER

MEETING WITH CHIEF PMG RAJASTHAN CIRCLE

The SG FNPO met the Chief PMG Rajasthan Circle on 1-4-2011 accompanied by Circle Secretaries of PIII, PIV, R III and RIV and discussed various issues of Rajasthan Circle. The Chief PMG has promised that the issues will be settled on merits.

MEETING WITH THE MEMBER (HRD)

The SG FNPO and GS NAPE 'C' met the Member (HRD) on 18-4-2011 and discussed the issue of local training centres for training new recruits. The Member assured that he would hold discussion with staff side during the second week of June 2011.

MEETING WITH DDG (EST)

On 19-4-2011, the GS R III met Sri A.K. Sharma, DDG (Est) and discussed the issue of MACP to promote officials (8+10+10).

The DDG (Est.) assured that he would send one more reminder to the Dept. of Personnel to expedite the matter.

MEETING WITH CGM (MAIL BUSINESS)

The GS R III met CGM (MB) on 19-4-2011 and discussed issue of revised OSA. The CGM (MB) informed that IFA returned the file with the following queries. 1. How many SAs, MGs and MTS are working in running sections at present 2. How many SAs, MGs and MTS were working earlier. As such, the CGM (MB) has called for report from the Heads of Circles on the above line. From this, it is clear that the Directorate is delaying the case unnecessarily.

MEETING WITH DDG (TRG.)

The GS R III and GS R IV met Smt. Aruna Jain, DDG (Trg.) on 21-4-2011 and discussed induction model for training SAs. Details will be published in the next issue.

MEETING WITH DDG (P) AND DIRECTOR (SPN)

The GS R III met DDG (P) and Director (SPN) and discussed Recruitment Rules for various cadres of MMS. DDG (P) informed that the Directorate has just finalized the new recruitment rules for the post Asst. Manager and this will be sent to Department of Personnel for approval.

POSTAL JCA

Lunch Hour demonstration was conducted in front of the Directorate on 20-4-2011. The SG FNPO and SG NFPE and GS of FNPO and NFPE affiliated unions addressed. After the demonstration, a memorandum was submitted to the Secretary, Dept. of Posts. The Postal JCA met on the same day. All the details in this regard are published elsewhere.

DELHI CIRCLE CONFERENCE

On 20-4-2011 and 21-4-2011, Delhi Circle Conference was held at New Delhi. Detailed report of the conference will be published in the next issue.

7TH JOINT BIENNIAL CIRCLE CONFERENCE OF ASSAM CIRCLE

On 23-4-2011, Sri Baikuntha Deka, Secretary, Assam Martyres & Victims Aid Trust hoisted the flag in the presence of the President, Kamlesh Chakravarthi. Sri H.C. Dutta and P.C. Das Circle Secretaries of R III and R IV presented their Report on activities.

The open session was addressed by Sri K.C. Das, Sri Debeshwar Bhattacharya, Secretary, INTUC Assam, Smt. Nimpama Bargohain, Dr. Samujjai Kumar Bhattacharya Adviser, AASU, Tarun Barman, President All Assam Central Semi-Central Employees Parishad and GS R III.

The list of new office-bearers will be published in the next issued.

MEETING WITH THE CHIEF PMG WB CIRCLE

GS R III alongwith Sri P.G. Dutta Banik, Sandip Bose, Deepak Mukherjee, Primitava Ghosh, Amal Sarkar met Sri S.K. Chakravarthi, Chief PMG, WB Circle and discussed various RMS issues.

THE GS CALLED ON SRI SUBARATO CHOUDHRY

On 26-4-2011 the GS R III called on Sri Subarato Choudhry who underwent surgical operation recently in Kolkata and enquired about his health. The GS wished him speedy recovery and restoration of his normal health.

Yours fraternally,
(D. Theagarajan) General Secretary

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