

**Minutes of the Virtual/ Physical Meeting of the TSEWA National Executive  
Committee held at 1000 Hrs. on 11 November 2023**

**Attendance**

The meeting was attended by the following: -

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| 1.  | Brig CS Vidyasagar          | President                  |
| 2.  | Brig D S C Varma, VSM       | Vice President             |
| 3.  | Lt Col G Parvathesam        | General Secretary          |
| 4.  | Col Venkatesh Mahadevan     | Treasurer                  |
| 5.  | Cdr Chandra Shekhar         | Joint Secretary            |
| 6.  | Col N Sitaramaiah           | Chairman Charity Division  |
| 7.  | Col Ajit Singh Rana         | President North Zone       |
| 8.  | Maj Gen S N Mukherjee       | President East Zone        |
| 9.  | Cmde Ashok Kota             | President South Zone       |
| 10. | Col Srikantha Seshadri      | President Karnataka        |
| 11. | Col Vinay Sharma            | Vice President, North Zone |
| 12. | Lt Col Dr. K Bhaskara Reddy | NEC Member                 |
| 13. | Col CM Unnithan             | President Chennai Metro    |
| 14. | Hony Capt B Joseph          | Charity Member             |
| 15. | Col Satyanarayana Naresh    | NEC Member                 |
| 16. | WO R N Thiru Chelvam        | President Tamilnadu        |
| 17. | Hony Capt M N Reddy         | Joint Secretary            |
| 18. | Lt Col V R R S Reddy        | NEC Member                 |

The President Welcomed all to the meeting.

1. The General Secretary Lt Col G Parvathesam gave an update on the following points raised in the last meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> Oct 2023.

- a) **Case for Notional MSP for Lt Gen/Maj Gen:** He informed that a total of 144 officers have submitted the requisite documents. Our Legal Advocate for the case is Col Indra Sen Singh. The case is being shortly filed in AFT Delhi.
- b) **Reservists Pension:** Regards the case to be taken up for Reservists pension, Col A S Rana & Col K K Dadwal are monitoring the case. A suitable advocate to represent is being identified.
2. **Points from the President:** The President gave the following points:
- Legal Cases: -
- a) **MSP for Lt Gen/Maj Gen:** The President clarified that the case we will be filing in AFT Delhi will be for authorisation of MSP (and not for grant of Notional MSP). Our argument being if the MSP is authorised it will also benefit the bureaucrats presently a total of 144 officers have submitted their Vakalatnama. Our legal Advocate Col Indra Sen Singh has prepared the Affidavit and will be filed in the AFT Delhi shortly.
- b) **Special Family Pension and Liberalised Pension to Widows of Martyred Soldiers:** It has been observed that the widows of pensioners Martyred have not been granted any benefit of OROP. Whereas the Ministry of Defence (MoD) letter no.200847/Pen/72 dt 24<sup>th</sup> Feb 1972 clearly states that complete Liberalised Pension will be granted. Presently 14 ladies (Widows) have submitted their willingness. More are likely to join. The case has been forwarded to our Legal Advocate Col Indra Sen Singh to prepare the affidavit.
- c) **Incorrect Fixation of OROP for Majors and Lt Cols:** the Defence Accounts Dept (DAD) has denied rightful pension to many defence pensioners in OROP from Jul 2014 to Jan 2023, especially for those not retired in the base year of 2013 & 2018 within a particular rank and length of service. Because of this, the most affected are Majors with service less than 21.5 years (Jul 2014 to Jan 2023). TSEWA is proposing to take up a legal case. All pensioners of any rank (from sepoy to Lt Gen) who are not getting any benefit in OROP (During the period Jul 2014 to Jan 2023) can be informed to join this legal case.

d) **Digital Life Certificate:** The President explained the process of generating a Life Certificate on Mobile Phone / Laptop by downloading Aadhaar face Id App and Jeevan Praman Version 4.04. The Apps are very user friendly. These work only on Android Phones.

**NRI** - In the case of NRI they cannot communicate with SPARSH. Hence, they will have to submit their Life Certificate through the Embassy.

e) **Defence Services Single Ladies Officers Group (DSSLOG):** The President informed that the DSSLOG is growing in strength and as of today there are 678 members.

3. **Points from the Members:**

a) Col Srikantha Seshadhri informed that 31 more pensioners have joined TSEWA from MEG centre.

b) Maj Gen S N Mukherjee informed that they are planning to conduct a TSEWA awareness camp in West Bengal. It is proposed to conduct it at two places. Durgapur and Kolkata on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Feb 2024. Further details will be forwarded shortly.

There being no more points the meeting was declared closed. The next NEC Meeting will be held on 25<sup>th</sup> Nov 2023.

**Brig CS Vidyasagar (Retd)**

**President, TSEWA**