

## Minutes of the Virtual/ Physical Meeting of the TSEWA National Executive

### Committee held at 1000 Hrs. on 08 June 2024

#### Attendance

The meeting was attended by the following: -

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| 1.  | Brig CS Vidyasagar          | President               |
| 2.  | Brig DSC Varma              | Vice President          |
| 3.  | Cdr Chandra Shekhar         | Joint Secretary         |
| 4.  | Col Venkatesh Mahadevan     | Treasurer               |
| 5.  | Maj Gen S N Mukherjee       | President East Zone     |
| 6.  | Cmde Kuldip Singh Sandhu    | President West Zone     |
| 7.  | Brig Suresh Nair            | President Kerala        |
| 8.  | Col Srikantha Seshadri      | President Karnataka     |
| 9.  | Col CM Unnithan             | President Chennai Metro |
| 10. | Mar Dr. B Bikshapathy       | NEC Member              |
| 11. | Lt Col Dr. K Bhaskara Reddy | NEC Member              |
| 12. | Lt Col VRRS Reddy           | NEC Member              |
| 13. | Col Satyanarayana Naresh    | NEC Member              |
| 14. | Hony Capt B Joseph          | NEC Member              |
| 15. | Hony Capt M N Reddy         | Joint Secretary         |
| 16. | Smt Neera Sirohi            | NEC Member              |

The President welcomed all to the meeting. Thereafter in absence of the General Secretary the Vice President gave an update on the points raised in the last meeting held on 25 May 2024.

- 1. Progress on Court Cases:** A consolidated update on the Legal cases filed in AFT Delhi and the Delhi High Court, received from our Legal advisor Brig AK Srivastava, VSM has been uploaded on TSEWA Website and also forwarded to members of TSEWA.
- 2. Annual donation to TSEWA:** The Vice President informed that Rs.38,16,606.36/- Lakhs has been received from Members till date.

3. **AGM 2024:** The Vice President requested the NEC Members attending the AGM at Secunderabad to please forward their itinerary to enable administrative arrangements.

4. **Points from the President:**

- **Visit to PCDA Prayagraj:** The President gave a brief on his visit to PCDA Prayagraj along with Col Vinay Sharma on 14 & 15 May 2024. They could meet the PCDA officials and service reps and resolve many family pension issues.
- He also informed that while at PCDA the AG Lt Gen C B Ponnappa, spoke to him and assured that they are fully aware of the problem being faced by Pensioners due to SPARSH. Accordingly, 4 senior software engineers from TCS have been moved to PCDA Prayagraj to address all grievances on priority. He also assured that the problems will be resolved within a year.
- The President further said that PCDA is taking up the following on Priority.
  - a) Monthly pension disbursal.
  - b) OROP-2 arrears.
  - c) Addl old age pension of pensioners above 80yrs of age.
  - d) Family pension of widows to resume within 30 days from the date of demise of the pensioner.

5. **AGM on 23 June 2024:** The President informed that some of the Ladies from DSSLOG will be attending the AGM. Two ladies have also given their willingness to join the NEC. Accordingly, it is proposed to appoint them as under.

- a) Smt Madhumita Das (Kolkata) – Vice President
- b) Smt Shalini Gupta (Gurgaon) – Joint Secretary

6. **Grievance of LFP & SFP:** The widows presently receiving LFP and SFP, did not receive any increase in pension or arrears form OROP-2. On examination it was found that their grievance was genuine. MOD letter No. 200847/Pen-/72 of 24 Feb 1972 clearly states that LFP and War injured should be given pension with highest length of service. The Committee of Secretaries headed by Cabinet Secretary to bridge the gap in pension between pre-2006 & post-2006 pensioners recommended that pensions to widows drawing LFP & SFP to be fixed based on rank only and not linked to length of service. Thereafter PCDA(P) Prayagraj issued circular 503 w.e.f 24 Sep 2012 by which these widows will get pension based on rank only. OROP-1 linked pension of LFP & SFP to length of service of husbands. This is in violation of Circular 503.

The President further said that we would discuss this case with our legal Advisor and thereafter decide appropriate course of action.

**7. Points from Members:**

**Brig Suresh Nair:** The process to rectify any anomalies in the personal data of pensioners in the SPARSH portal must be made more simpler and easily accessible rather than present process of going through various channels.

There being no more points the meeting was declared closed. The next NEC Meeting is scheduled on 22 June 2024 at 1600 hrs.

**Brig CS Vidyasagar (Retd)**

**President, TSEWA**