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All India Railwaymen's Federation

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Resp. **Shri Piyush Goyal Ji,**

Sub: Long pending burning issues of the Railwaymen

In reference to our earlier letter of even number dated January 22, 2019, all the three issues, which have been discussed with your goodself, in the presence of the MS and CRB, i.e. revision of rates of Running Allowances and other allowances related to Running Staff, as has been informed to us, has been sent to the MoF(Deptt. of Exp.), but not traceable there, implementation of four-grade structure(in the ratio of 10:20:20:50) in case of Track Maintainers, the file, as has been informed to us, has been sent to your goodself by the M.E., the case regarding restructuring of the IT Cadre, it was informed to us, has also been forwarded to your goodself by the F.C.

Since all the above-mentioned issues have been agreed by your goodself, being delayed at various stages, need to be resolved at an earliest to avoid mental agony of the concerned vulnerable categories of the Railway employees.

We are quite thankful for your directions to the Railway Board for filling-up of vacancies. This will definitely improve the efficiency and productivity of the Railways as well as will provide some relief to the Railwaymen who are working beyond their duty hours under lot of stress.

Dear Sir, the Indian Railways, at present, have almost more than six lakh Railwaymen, who are covered under National Pension System(NPS) and are having lot of anguish against this scheme. Many a times this issue has been raised by the AIRF as also by the NC/JCM(Staff Side) and NJCA. The staff working under this scheme is agitating here and there, but their main demand of Old Pension Scheme is not being considered, resulting in lot of frustration amongst these staff. Since at present you are also looking after the Finance Portfolio, it is our humble submission that, the letters written by the Hon'ble Railway Ministers for bringing the Railwaymen under Old Defined Pension Scheme, should be restored for the Railwaymen who are working under all arduous and hazardous circumstances 24X7, all weathers, as also more than 400 to 500 Railwaymen are sacrificing their lives, for running the lifeline of the country, every year.

We sincerely hope that, you will kindly look into the above burning issues and will try to resolve these at an earliest.

With Kind Regards,

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