

RAILWAYS SENIOR CITIZENS WELFARE SOCIETY

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MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE MEETING OF RSCWS, CHANDIGARH, HELD ON 7-1-2012, AT ISBT FOOD COURT, SECTOR 43, CHANDIGARH (Hosted by Sh. Harchandan Singh)

Shri M. S. Batra presided over the meeting. The meeting was attended by 14 out of 20 Members of the Executive Committee, RSCWS.

1. Shri Batra welcomed the Members and wished them a Happy New Year. He called upon the Members to be more active in gearing up the activities of the Society. He explained that in view of the fast expanding activities of the Society, there was an urgent need for the Executive Members to take greater responsibilities for further development of the movement for the welfare of the Pensioners community.

2. Shri Harchandan Singh, Secretary General, explained the following points:

i) Reg Pension: The Government had not yet taken any decision on the judgment of the CAT New Delhi, in OA 655-2010 for grant of Modified Parity to Pre-2006, Pensioners – as per accepted recommendations of the Sixth CPC. Govt. may accept the judgment or may file an appeal in the Delhi High Court by mid Feb, 2012.

ii) Reg. FMA: RSCWS had moved a number of applications to get all the related documents regarding revision of Fixed Medical Allowance (FMA). As per documents so far received, the decision to grant Rs.300 pm as FMA was extremely inadequate, totally arbitrary and not based on any logic or reason. Minimum Rs.1200 pm should have been granted as FMA as given to Pensioners of EPFO.

iii) Reg. Empanelment of Hospitals: Empanelment of Fortis Hospital, Mohali, for Cardiology & Cardiac Surgery had been renewed for one year (up to Sept. 2012). Fortis had also agreed to apply for the empanelment for other Specialties for Railway Beneficiaries.

3. After detailed discussion following decisions were taken by the Executive Committee:

3.1 Case reg. Modified Pension of Pre-2006 Pensioners:

a) Executive Committee of RSCWS resolved that a Caveat be filled by RSCWS in Delhi High Court, to be heard as an effected party in case the Govt. files an Appeal against the decision of CAT New Delhi in OA 655-2010 for grant of Modified Parity to Pre-2006 Pensioners – as per accepted recommendations of the Sixth CPC.

b) Secretary General RSCWS, Shri Harchandan Singh, was authorized to file the said Caveat to plead as a Party in the Appeal against the CAT Judgment in OA 655-2010 for grant of Modified Parity to Pre-2006 and such other documents and Affidavits on behalf of RSCWS in connection with the above case and to take such action as considered appropriate & expedient for pursuance of the case – in consultation with the President RSCWS.

3.2 Case reg. Fixed Medical Allowance:

a) Rs.300 pm as FMA was extremely inadequate or rather a mockery of the hardship of the old Pensioners who had faithfully served the Nation for long years but were now being badly ignored by the Govt. in getting proper treatment for themselves and their dependents in the paltry sum of Rs.300 as FMA.

b) Executive Committee of RSCWS resolved that RSCWS should submit another Memorandum to the Government against this continuous injustice – based on the new facts which had emerged out of the documents received by RSCWS under RTI Act.

c) If the Government still does not revise the FMA, within a reasonable time after submission of the said Memorandum, then it was resolved that a Court case be filed on behalf of the RSCWS in CAT Chandigarh for an appropriate relief to the Pensioners for grant of minimum Rs. 1200 pm as FMA as given to the employees & Pensioners of EPFO.

d) Secretary General RSCWS, Shri Harchandan Singh, was authorized to file the said Court Case for Revision of Fixed Medical Allowance, in CAT Chandigarh and to file other documents and Affidavits on behalf of RSCWS in connection with the above said case and to take such action as may be considered necessary & expedient for pursuance of the case – in consultation with the President RSCWS.

4. LEGAL FUND: a) Executive Committee of RSCWS resolved to launch a Legal Fund of RSCWS, and appealed to all the Members and Pensioners at large to contribute liberally to the Legal Fund (with a minimum of Rs. 500 per head) at the earliest, so as to meet with the legal & other related expenses for filing of Court Cases for and on behalf of the RSCWS – including those in connection with the following cases etc.:

i) Implementation of the decision of CAT New Delhi in OA 655-2010 for grant of Modified Parity to Pre-2006 Pensioners – as per recommendations of the Sixth CPC – accepted by the Government / Union Cabinet;

ii) For Revision of Fixed Medical Allowance to Rs. 1200 pm at par with employees & pensioners of EPFO.

b) 7 Members of the Executive Committee immediately paid their contribution to the Legal Fund @ of Rs. 500 each (with one Member contributing Rs. 1000 for the same). Other Members promised to pay it early. List of all the Donors & Contributors to Legal Fund shall be published in the quarterly journal of RSCWS: "*Pensioners Rail Sampark*"

5. Constitution Amendments: Executive Committee constituted a Committee comprising of President RSCWS Shri MS Batra, Secy General Sh Harchandan Singh & Sh SS Sahota to consider & propose in the General Body Meeting of RSCWS such Amendments in the Constitution of RSCWS as may be considered necessary for strengthening the organisation.

6. Honouring of Members: a) Executive Committee decided to continue to honour the Members who had completed 65 years, 80 years & 90 years of age during the year (upto the AGM) besides being a Member of RSCWS for 2 years.

b) Executive Committee decided to specially honour Shri NP Mohan for having very effectively & successfully pursued the case in CAT Delhi for Modified Parity to Pre-2006 Pensioners – thus raising the hopes for greater justice to the Pensioners at large.

c) Executive Committee also decided to honour Sh. SS Sahota, Sh. Harbans Singh, Sh. Kapil Dev, Sh H. S. Sachdeva & Sh Bipin Bihari for their out standing services to the RSCWS and to Pensioners Community at large.

7. a) **Nomination of Patron:** Executive Committee decided to nominate Shri HD Sharma as the Patron RSCWS in place of Late Shri Pritam Singh who had expired recently.

b) Executive Committee decided to nominate Sh. S. S. Sahota as the Vice President RSCWS in place of Sh. H. D. Sharma, on his nomination as the Patron.

c) Executive Committee decided to co-opt & nominate 2 additional Members in the Executive Committee (including 1 from PKL) to further gear up the working of the organisation.

8. **Affiliation with CSCA:** a) Executive Committee RSCWS considered the proposal of CSCA (Chandigarh Senior Citizens' Association) to affiliate the Association of Pensioners with CSCA.

b) After detailed discussions Executive Committee welcomed the proposal and decided that RSCWS may be affiliated to CSCA – as per terms and conditions advised by the President CSCA.

c) Executive Committee authorized the Secretary General RSCWS to apprise the CSCA about this decision of RSCWS to affiliate with CSCA, to pay the affiliation fee as well as to maintain a liaison with CSCA.

d) Executive Committee called upon the CSCA to consider a proposal to co-opt at least two Members (i.e. the President and the General Secretary) of the Affiliated Associations as Ex-officio Members or as Special Invitees in the Governing Body of the CSCA.

9. a) Executive Committee decided to make cultural programmes a regular feature in the General Body Meetings. It was decided to form a Cultural Committee of RSCWS to Promote cultural activities amongst Senior Citizens.

b) Executive Committee nominated Sh. T. S. Chawla as the Chairman and Sh H. S. Sachdeva as the Cultural Secretary RSCWS. They will co-opt other Members in the Cultural Committee and organize the cultural activities for the society.

10. **Next AGM:** Next AGM of RSCWS will be held on 14-1-2012 at 2 PM at Govt. Museum Auditorium, Chandigarh.


Harchandan Singh,
Secretary General, RSCWS

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- President & Secretary General, RSCWS