

**Modified Minutes of Spl.General body meeting of Federation held through Google-meet
on 23.08.2022 at 5 PM**

Attendance:

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1. R.B.Upadhyay
2. M.L.Bhasin
3. S.K.Jagnania
4. S.L.Yadav
5. S.N.Katiyar
6. J.V.Dattatreya
7. Ramanuj Prasad
8. Biman Mitra
9. V.V.Satyalingam
10. Ujwal Kumar Benerji

Special Invitee: Shri B. K. Sinha F. CMD

Meeting was presided over by the President, Shri.R.B.Upadhyay.

1. **Court case:** President apprised the members on the hearing in Delhi High court on 01.08.2022 which didn't take place due to the absence of the judges on the bench and how the next date (13.09.2022) was given by the Court master. Discussion took place on the inputs to be given to the advocates, on the appointment of Sr.Advocate Shri.K.K.Roy due to non-availability of Shri.Rabinder Srivastav, our Sr.Advocate, briefing given to the Sr.Advocate, Fee being paid etc. It was explained that PAC report is on the CAG report No.12 of 2017, which is already a part of the writ petition. On the mismanagement of funds by CMPFO due to which funds invested in DHFL, IL&FS were to be written off, it was decided to appraise the Sr.Advocate, and if he feels it would support our case, he would mention it in the oral submissions.
2. **176th BOT meeting of CMPFO held on 16.08.2022:** Members were apprised about the proposed increase of contribution from Rs.10 to Rs.15 per ton of coal produced by all coal companies by suitable amendment to CMPS 1998 scheme and also proposed enhancing of minimum pension to Rs.1000 per month subject to the actuarial valuation report. As Gazette notification has to be issued, it is expected that it may take 3 to 4 months for the decisions of BOT to come into effect.
3. **Liaison with other Associations (AIACE & CMOAI):** On behalf of Federation, Sri.J.V.Dattatreya is authorized to discuss with the office bearers of AIACE on extending moral and financial support to each other for activities including the pending court case on pension issue. Shri.S.N.Katiyar is entrusted with the job of liaising with the office-bearers of CMOAI (Apex) for moral and financial support for coal pensioners issues including the court case.
4. **Court case of EPF pensioners pending in Supreme Court:** Going by the news items on the progress of the case, it is understood that it is reaching finality and it was felt that the outcome in that case would have some bearing on our case also.
5. **Appointment as Trustee on the BOT of CMPFO:** President informed that he would write a letter to the Secretary, coal/Chairman, BOT on nominating an office-bearer as Trustee to represent the interests of the 5.6 lakh coal pensioners.

6. Shri.Biman Mitra explained the liaison work he is doing with CIL headquarters and CMPFO to resolve the issues of retired employees.
7. Everyone agreed to again take up the drive to collect funds for fighting the Court Case as the existing reserve fund is quite insufficient to support the future challenges. Our Executives may take up the drive to enroll new members also.
8. Shri Ramanuj Prasad our regional V.P. confirmed that he is organizing a one day dharna at Dhanbad CMPF Office on the 17th/18th October 2022. Everyone welcomed his decision.
9. Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.
