



Dear Readers,

*I am happy to handover the third issue of year IV of AIACE Today in the hands of readers. The new year 2023 has started with a great hope for us as CMPF Trustee Board is likely to take favourable decision for the coal employees and pensioners in the forthcoming meeting.*

*The last quarter, from October 2022 to December 2022, has saddened us as we lost our members five members who breathed their last and left us for heavenly abode. At the time of going to press, we lost Sri S K Beotra who left us on 11th of this month. From AIACE Benevolent Fund, we have paid Rs 10000/ each to spouses of these members through local branches. Our members have guided family members of these executives for starting family pension and CPRMSE benefits.*

*In previous three months, we have met Hon'ble Mrs N Sitharaman, Finance Minister and Sri A Narayan Swamy, Social Justice & Empowerment Minister, Govt of India on the issue of revision of pension to coal employees. We also organized one day dharna at Jantar-Mantar, New Delhi on 5th December, 2022 to attract the attention the government towards the plight of coal pensioners. We are hoping to get favourable decision of the government in enhancement of pension to coal employees.*

*AIACE is in the process of forming Coal clubs in different cities by involving spouses of it's members and so far we have formed it at Bilaspur, Asansol- Raniganj and Bengaluru. Further, we are going to inaugurate it at Kolkata and Varanasi very soon. We propose to take up social activities through coal clubs and seek cooperation of all members in this endeavour.*

*We are also sincerely thinking to start old age home for our members at some places with full health facilities, entertainment so that they can live in community having similar culture and belief. After consultation with members, we will come up with concrete plan to make it operational.*

*Lastly, I wish all members, a very happy and enjoyable new year 2023.*

Regards,

P. K. Singh Rathor