



Dear Readers,

I am glad to hand over Year -6, Volume-II of AIACE Today in your hand. Since beginning, we have been improving the content and quality of the magazine.

The Central govt is working hard to meet the energy need of the people of the country through the mix of convention and non-conventional energy. In spite of major emphasis on solar, hydel and wind energy, the coal will continue to dominate the energy scenario. For fulfillment of ATMA BHARAT mission, Coal India, Singreni Collieries, Captive coal mines and other private mines are putting all the efforts to meet the requirement of coal indigenously.

In the last three months, AIACE/AICPA have accelerated the efforts for enhancement of pension under CMPS1998. Our members met the coal minister, Sri G K Reddy and also other MPs namely Sri Tokhan Sahu (Bilaspur), Sri Eatata Rajender (Medchal Malkajigiri), Sri Bandi Sanjay Kumarji (Karimnagar), Smt Dr Kadiyam Kavya ji (Warangal), Shri Balram Naik ji (Mahbubabad), Shri Gaddam Vamsi Krishna ji (Peddapally) and requested for taking up the issues with the minister and central govt to take speedy action on pension reform.

AIACE/AICPA members staged dharna before regional office at Asansol (WB) in Aug 2024 and Chhindwara in Sept 2024 for fulfillment of different demands related to various pension issues involved under CMPS1998. The next dharna and hunger strike is proposed in front of regional office Talcher on 28th October, 2024.

Coal India Limited issued promotion orders for different disciplines from E7 to E8 grade in the last week of August, 24 after a very long interview period of seven months. It is really alarming that in some disciplines, number of candidates were lesser than the number of posts whereas in some disciplines, deserving candidates were deprived of the promotion on the ground of lesser vacancies. Coal India mgt must take action for rationalization of E8 grade posts among different disciplines. It should also opt for outside recruitment in some of the disciplines in which internal candidates are not available for promotion.

The pay conflict issue of executives is still unresolved due to court case. Our association has suggested CIL mgt to come out with proposal acceptable to executives and the executives will be glad to withdraw the case.

In the last three months, AIACE coal clubs, Bilaspur, Nagpur, Kolkata, Patna, Varanasi and Delhi NCR organized very lively Savan function/ Barsha mangal programmes and members enjoyed the function very much. The anthem of AIACE/AICPA was also launched on the occasion of Barsha Mangal function organized on 15th September by Kolkata Coal Club.

AIACE organized its annual meeting on 2nd October, 2024 in which accounts for the calendar year 2023 and financial year 2023-24 were presented, discussed and adopted.

Now, the time has come to speed up the movement of enhancement of pension, empanelment of hospitals in different cities across the country.

Lastly, we celebrated Ganesh Puja, Onam, Durga Puja and others in the last one month.

Best wishes to all for Deepwali, Chhath and other festivals.

Regards,

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