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AICPA Calls On Warangal MP Regarding Their Pension Woes

MP Dr. Kadiyam Kavya gives a patient hearing and says will certainly intervene

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On 29-01-2025, a delegation of AICPA and Singareni Retired Welfare Association called on Dr. Kadiyam Kavya Garu, Member of Parliament, Warangal Lok Sabha Constituency, Telangana and submitted a petition signed by Convenor of All India Coal Pensioners Association, PK Singh Rathore and on the advise of President, Singareni Retired Welfare Association, Dandamraj Ramchander Rao. The MP promptly responded and assured that she would intervene and support to the pension rise. Also, she remarked that the Coal Miners throughout India have been subjected to undue hardships due to negligence of concerned authorities.

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AICPA Highlights Plight Of Coal Pensioners Before Union Coal Minister

The body calls for enhancement of pension to retirees under CMPS-1988

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The All India Coal Pensioners' Association (AICPE), through its Convenor, P.K. Singh Rathor, has submitted a letter To Union Coal Minister G. Kishan Reddy, highlights plight Of coal pensioners and demanded enhancement of pension to retirees under CMPS-1988.

The copy of the letter submitted is given below for the benefit of the viewers of www.indianpsu.com –



Letter No. AICPA/CENTRAL/2025/ 007

Dated 30-1-2025

To
Hon'ble Sri G. Kishan Reddy ji,
Union Minister for Coal,
Government of India,
New Delhi.

Sub: Plight of coal pensioners and enhancement of pension to retirees under CMPS-1988

Dear Sir,

Our Association along with All India Association of Coal Executives (AIACE) is struggling for years for revision and enhancement of pension to poor coal retirees. We are thankful to you for your past initiatives in this regard, but are pained to inform you that the desired enhancement is still a distant dream.

As you are aware, pension in Coal sector has been plagued due to corpus fund mismanagement and several other factors as highlighted in Part II, of the 12th Report of Public Accounts Committee (17 Lok Sabha) (https://eparlib.nic.in/bitstream/123456789/809294/1/17_Public_Accounts_36.pdf)

The existing machinery, which is responsible for present fiasco, cannot be expected to find a workable solution as some revolutionary measures are needed to end the plight of around 6 lakhs direct pensioners and about 1 crore direct/indirect dependents who are scattered all across the country after retirement.

Sir, it is to highlight that crores of rupees have been contributed by Coal India and Singreni Collieries to the central and state government and also being contributed being earned through the hard labour and untiring efforts of these pensioners who are seeing towards the govt with high hope for enhancement of pension.

The retirees from SCCL are mostly settled in Telangana and Andhra Pradesh.

It has been heard that coal ministry is in the process for amendment in the CMPS-1988 for addressing the aspirations and demand of the pensioners but the progress is very slow and no visible action is seen. The aged beneficiary pensioners are dying in numbers day by day waiting to get the benefit of pension enhancement. The surviving pensioners deserve a solution in their life-time. **Sir, you will agree that, a good rain after the crop has dried, will be meaningless.**

We on behalf of all coal pensioners request you for constituting a High Power Committee involving AICPA's representatives for the:

1. Restructuring of present CMPS-1988 with a better scheme in line with UPS.
2. Immediate review and enhancement of pension linked with Dearness Allowance (DA)
3. If needed, compulsory welfare cess on account of pension fund @ 1% on selling price of coal.
4. Expansion of CMPF, BoT Trustees to include Persons of Imminence who are Investment experts.

It is requested to take speedy action on our demand as every day pensioners are leaving this earth for heavenly abode having waited so long to reap the benefit of pension revision.

With regards,


P.K. SINGH RATHOR
Convenor, AIACE/AICPA

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AIACE Thanks Union Coal Minister For Allowing Coal India Limited For Enhanced Cess On Coal

This will go a long way in ensuring sustainability of dwindling status of pension fund for retired employees of the coal sector

April 3, 2025

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P. K. Singh Rathor, Principal General Secretary, All India Association of Coal Executives (AIACE) and All India Coal Pensioners Association (AICPA) along with its Hyderabad coordinator, Ramchander Rao have thanked the Union Coal Minister, G. Kishan Reddy, for allowing Coal India Limited to implement enhanced cess on coal in order to strengthen sustainability of Pension fund.

Coal India mgt has decided for to implement enhanced cess on coal from present Rs 10/- per tonne on non-Coking coal to Rs 20/- per tonne and Rs 10/Te on sale of Coking coal as reflected in its letter no. CIL:XI(D):4157/4156:2025: dated: 01.04.2025 to respective Listing Departments(s) of Bombay Stock Exchange Ltd and National Stock Exchange of India Ltd to strengthen pension fund under CMPS 1998.

This will go a long way in ensuring sustainability of dwindling status of Pension Fund for retired employees of coal sector. Hence, this decision needs to be applauded loudly twin associations AIACE and AICPA (All India Coal Pensioners' Association) had been advocating for this enhancement of cess.

AIACE/AICPA had suggested for this enhancement of cess based on selling price of coal, which for all time to come, will eliminate periodical enhancement of cess based on per tonne of coal production. The latest calculations based on this approach were submitted to Addl. Secy, MoC vide letter no. AIACE/CENTRAL/2025 / 017 dated 18.3.2025.

The letter written by the coal employees body is given below for the benefit of the viewers of www.indianpsu.com –



Ref No. **AIACE/CENTRAL/2025 / 019**

Dated 3.4.2025

To
 Hon'ble Sri G. Kishan Reddy jee,
 Hon'ble Union Minister for Coal and Mines,
 Ministry of Coal, Govt of India,
 New Delhi

Sub:- Thanks for allowing CIL to implement enhanced cess on coal in order to strengthen sustainability of Pension fund

Hon'ble Sir,

Kindly accept our heartiest complimentary thanks for allowing CIL to implement enhanced cess on coal from present Rs 10/- per tonne on non- Coking coal to Rs 20/- per tonne and Rs 10/Tonne on sale of Coking coal as reflected in its letter no. CIL:XI(D):4157/4156:2025: dated: 01.04.2025 to respective Listing Departments(s) of Bombay Stock Exchange Ltd and National Stock Exchange of India Ltd.

We understand that this will go a long way in ensuring sustainability of dwindling status of Pension Fund for retired employees of coal sector. Hence, this decision needs to be applauded loudly as our twin associations AIACE and AICPA (All India Coal Pensioners' Association) had been advocating for this enhancement of cess.

AIACE team is continually revising its studies on this aspect. We had in the past submitted our studies showing Feasibility of Pension enhancement under Coal Mines Pension Scheme-1998 vide our letter no. AIACE/CENTRAL/2023 / 021 dated 4.5.2023 to Secy (Coal) and to Hon'ble Finance Minister, GOI vide letter no. AIACE/CENTRAL/2023 / 023 dated 6.5.2023.

Through all these letters, AIACE had suggested for this enhancement of cess based on selling price of coal, which for all time to come, will eliminate periodical enhancement of cess based on per tonne of coal production. The latest calculations based on this approach were submitted to Addl. Secy, MoC vide letter no. AIACE/CENTRAL/2025 / 017 dated 18.3.2025, a copy of which is again attached as enclosures.

Hence, we take this opportunity to request you to consider our suggestions to levy cess based on certain % (May be 0.5% to 1%). It has been shown in our latest suggestions, that present average selling price of coal is Rs 1685/- per ton, on the basis of which 1% of cess comes to below Rs 17/tonne.

In anticipation of acceptance of our views,

With Regards,

P K SINGH RATHOR
 Principal General Secretary

End: As above

Copy to
 Secretary
 All members of BoT, CMPFO