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To
The Secretary,
Department of Coal
Government of India,
New Delhi

Sub: Inclusion of AIACE/AICPA representative in BOT of CMPFO

Dear Sir,

AIACE and AICPA working together for the welfare of serving and retired coal employees and executives have been contributing meaningfully and suggestions forwarded from us from time to time have been appreciated by officers and officials of coal ministry and CMPFO.

The very first meeting on the direction of then coal secretary with the then Economic Advisor in ministry of coal, Sri Animesh Bharti on 5-3-2021, had resulted in submission of our booklet containing various suggestions on CMPS-1998 pension scheme. Our efforts were widely circulated and appreciated by people who were given access to this booklet. Our suggestions (vide AIACE/CENTRAL/2021/025 dt 11-3-2021) were endorsed by Addl. Commissioner, CMPFO to all CMPF trustee board members as well as to All Coal companies including CIL and Singreni Collieries (vide letter no. CPF/CP/111(26)/Evaluation/Vol.XI/Part/221 dated 7th April, 2021) for further deliberation and needful action.

Given the recognition and appreciation from various officials in Ministry of Coal, we were under impression that our Association AIACE would be suitably accommodated in CMPFO Trusty Board, as and when it will be reconstituted.

However, we are dismayed and disappointed to find ourselves excluded from recent reconstitution vide Ministry of Coal's Gazette Notifications dated (1) Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (ii), published dated the 14th September, 2023, vide number S.O. 4067(E), dated the 13th September, 2023 and (2) Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (ii), published dated the 23rd November, 2023, vide number S.O. 5039(E), dated the 21st November, 2023.

Overlooking our past efforts and genuineness of our Association, a member from Coal Mine Officers Association (CMOAI) has been rewarded by giving a place in BOT, CMPFO who had almost ZERO contribution towards the general welfare of serving and retired executives and employees.

While we do not have anything to say about this inclusion, we are shocked that claim of AIACE, a duly registered body under TU Act, was kept aside for the best reasons not known to us. AIACE has been regularly submitting yearly Annual reports / audited accounts to Registrar of Trade unions, Govt of Chhattisgarh, where it is registered, with copies to Managements of CIL, SCCL as well as to the Coal secretary every year (vide recent Ref Nos. AIACE/CENTRAL/2021/093 dt 16-9-2021, AIACE/CENTRAL/2022/083 dt. 3-9-2022, AIACE/CENTRAL/2023/079 dt. 20-9-2023). Ironically, it has been denied its legitimate place while favour was done to a body which is unregistered (vide Annexure-I showing copy of letter issued by competent department under Govt. of West Bengal). It is a fact that CMOAI uses muscles, apply coercion to forcibly collect membership fee deductions from executives' salary under illegal patronship of CIL and SCCL managements in spite of protests

and denials by concerned executives. The CIL/SCCL managements have closed their eyes and ears and are allowing deductions of membership few under checkoff system without getting consent from individual executives every year for such deduction. AIACE has been representing through various letters against this institutional corruption being supported by the management

Sir, you are aware that we are an association of executives of Coal India Ltd, and Singreni Collieries Company Ltd. registered under the Trade Union Act, 1926. Its character is unique in nature given the fact that its members are both WORKING and RETIRED Executives from coal industry. Our members include Retired CEOs and Directors of Coal Industry, who have vast experience to solve the problems including pension and PF issues which CMPFO have miserably failed to address.

In view of the stated facts above, we request you to kindly accommodate AIACE in BOT, CMPFO which will prove to be beneficial to all pensioners as well as CMPFO, Ministry of Coal and coal companies.

With Regards,

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Principal General Secretary

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Honourable Minister of Coal, Government of India, New Delhi



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Sub: Information sought by Pawon Tandon under RTI Act, 2005

Sir,

With reference to the above, this is to state that there is no registered trade union under the name and style "Coal mines Officers' Association of India". If a particular registration no. if informed, the particulars of the union bearing the said registration no. may be possible to be supplied.

For ready reference you may visit our website www.wblc.gov.in.

The above information are placed before you as per available records maintained in this office presently.

Yours faithfully,

(Sukanta Roy Chowdhury)

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