File No. 503/05/2014-BA(E) Government of India Ministry of Information and Broadcasting 'A' Wing, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi- 1100 01

Dated 31st January, 2018

To.

Sh. Shashi Shekhar Vempati CEO, Prasar Bharati, Prasar Bharati Secretariat, Prasar Bharati House, Copernicus Marg, New Delhi, Delhi 110001

Subject: Clarification on admissibility of MACP to TREX and some other cadres (Programme & Engineering Staff) – in pursuance of MIB order dated 25-02-1999-reg.

Sir,

In continuation of this Ministry's letter No. 503/5/2014-BA (E) dated 08-09-2014 and No. 515/04/2014-BA (E) dated 17-02-2015 on the above mentioned subject, I am directed to say that the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting vide its letter No. 310/73/97-B (D) dated 25-02-1999 had issued order of upgradation of pay scales of certain categories of employees working in Prasar Bharati.

2. The issue regarding treatment of MIB's order dated 25.2.99 granting one scale above the scale recommended by Vth CPC to 11 categories of employees belonging to subordinate cadres of Programme and Engineering employees, as one upgradation against three upgradation under MACP Scheme or otherwise was referred to DOP&T and Department of Expenditure from time to time. DoPT vide its last advice dated 4th March, 2016 has advised that:-

"The DoPT has already given its advice. Since, now there are no new facts in this case, our earlier advice holds goods. As such it is stated that upgraded scales granted to 11 categories of employees of subordinate Engineering & programme cadre of Prasar Bharati is to be treated as one upgradation against the three upgradations allowed under MACP scheme."

The above views of DOP&T have been endorsed by the Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance.

- 3. In view of above advice of DOP&T, it is clarified that upgraded scales granted to 11 categories of employees of subordinate Engineering & programme cadre of Prasar Bharati is to be treated as one upgradation against the three upgradations allowed under MACP scheme and accordingly Prasar Bharati may take necessary action urgently in terms of DOP&T OM dated 02-03-2016 on recovery of wrongful / excess payments made to Govt. servants in pursuance of Hon'ble Supreme Court judgment dated 18-12-2014 in the case of State of Punjab & Ors Vs. Rafiq Masih (White Washer) etc. in CA No. 11527 of 2014 arising out of SLP (C) No. 11684 of 2012.
- 4. The necessary action to be taken by Prasar Bharati shall be subject to the outcome of WP No. 2034/2017 in the matter of DG:AIR Vs. Smt. Syamali Biswas filed in Hon'ble High Court, Delhi.
- 5. This issues with the approval of Hon'ble Minister for Information & Broadcasting

Yours faithfully,

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