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PRASAR BHARATI (INDIA'S PUBLIC SERVICE BROADCASTER) DIRECTORATE GENERAL: ALL INDIA RADIO

No. 8/6/2014-S-IV(A) 203

Akashwani Bhawan, New Delhi. Dated: 01.03.2016

Subject: RA 148/2015 in CAT (Principal Bench) order dated 01.04.2015 in OA No.1861/2014 in the matter of Ashok Kumar Yadav, Technician and Ors. Vs. UOI & 20 others for Pay Parity of Technicians with Lighting Assistant of Doordarshan – regarding.

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of order dated 15.02.2016 passed by Hon'ble CAT, PB, New Delhi in RA No.148/2015 in OA No.1861/2014 & MA No.1594 filed by Sh. Ashok Kumar & 20 Ors. wherein Hon'ble CAT, PB, New Delhi has inter-alia stated that "the issue being raised by the applicants in the RA will not come in the category of error apparent on the face of the record. The decision of the Tribunal is after taking into view all facts and circumstances and previous orders of the Hon'ble Madras High Court and the Hon'ble Supreme Court. While the applicants may differ with our conclusion, clearly the remedy does not lie in review in the light of the judgments cited above, The RA is, therefore, dismissed.

- The applicants had filed an OA No. 1861/2014 for the pay scale of Rs.5000-8000/- w.e.f. 01.01.1996 with all consequential benefits and arrears in Pay Parity of Technicians with Lighting Assistant of Doordarshan. But, Hon'ble CAT, PB, New Delhi had passed the order on 01.04.2015 that "The OA is, therefore, allowed and the respondents are directed to grant the benefits of higher scale of Rs.5000-8000/- w.e.f. 01.01.1996 on notional basis to the applicants." Against this order, the applicant filed the Review Application No.148/2015 and the same is now dismissed by the Hon'ble CAT, PB, New Delhi.
- This Directorate had calculated the financial implication in the light of order passed by Hon'ble CAT, PB, New Delhi in OA No.1861/2014 and forwarded to Ministry of I&B and Prasar Bharati Secretariat for considering the said court case. Two (2) more OAs filed by M/s. ARTEE and Sh. G.M.Tyagi are also under consideration in CAT, New Delhi. DG:AIR had calculated an expenditure of Rs.90 Crores to pay arrears and Rs.6 Crores as recurring to extend pay parity to all Technicians. Since the Principal Bench of CAT has rejected the RA, the additional expenditure incurred for extending pay parity to all the Technicians will be Rs.6 Crores per annum. Two more OAs (one at Kolkata and one at Chennai) have also been filed for the same benefits.
- In view of above, Prasar Bharati Secretariat may consider and grant of the pay scale of Rs.5000-8000/ to all Technicians w.e.f. 01.01.1996 in parity with the Lighting Assistant for the same benefits.

Encls: As above.

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