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To,
Director General
Department of Post, Dak Bhavan
New Delhi 110001.

Postal Dispensary for Pimprichinchwad City

Dear Sir,

All India Central Government Pensioners Association was established by pensioners from then P&T Department during 1947. The association has over 75 branches all over India. Pimprichinchwad branch is one of the said branches. Postal department members of the association from this branch are facing avoidable trouble as medical facilities are denied to them due to circumstantial reasons.

Pimprichinchwad city population is over 15 lakhs now. There are Nos. post offices in the city. Pimprichinchwad Town Development Authorities have developed this area and many from Postal Department have acquired plots/flats in the city. Thus population of employees and pensioners has experienced tremendous growth in the city. Many employees serving in Pune and pensioners retired from post offices in Pune reside in this city. All of them are dependent on Postal dispensaries in Pune for medical help. Dispensaries in Pune are over 25 km from most of the Postal Staff and Pensioners. Minimum distance is approximately 15 km. It is highly inconvenient for them to approach dispensaries in Pune due to long distance and non-availability of affordable transport. A trip to dispensary costs over Rs. 150.00. Medical allowance received by pensioners is only Rs. 100.00 per month. No indoor medical facilities are available to pensioners. Pensioners feel they are experiencing atmosphere of hell while still living. Thus pensioners are in a terrible condition and their state is not glorious to the department.

Association requests your good self to find a solution and provide solace to aged past employees. Association suggests following solutions to get over the problem.

1. Open at least ONE dispensary in Pimprichinchwad city preferably in Chinchwad east departmental building. We understand that there is adequate surplus accommodation is available in the building
2. Immediately shift one of the dispensaries from Pune to Pimprichinchwad city as an interim measure.
3. Provide membership of Central Government Health Scheme without any additional cost to Pensioners.

CGHS authorities are opening a dispensary in Pimprichinchwad city shortly. Association requests that suggestion No. 2 be considered as an interim solution and No. 3 as the permanent solution.

Yours Faithfully,