

**ANDHRA PRADESH AND TELANGANA INCOME TAX PENSIONERS  
ASSOCIATION**

**REPORT OF THE GENERAL SECRETARY FOR THE PERIOD  
2016-17 to 2017-18.**

Dear Comrades,

As the term of two years of the present working committee has come to an end, I am submitting my brief report on our performance for the period 2016-17 to 2017-18 as under.

2. At the outset, I thank all the office bearers of the Association, who worked as a team to carry out the objects for which our Association is formed.
3. You will be wondering to know that our Association was registered as a 'Society' way back in the year 1984 as "ANDHRA PRADESH INCOME TAX PENSIONERS' ASSOCIATION". In the General Body meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 2017, it has been decided to change the name of our Association as "ANDHRA PRADESH AND TELANGANA INCOME TAX PENSIONERS ASSOCIATION". Accordingly, an application will be filed to the Registrar of Societies for amendment. With regard to the activities of the Association, we are all aware that there was no much activity till Com. B.Shanthi Kumar, was elected as General Secretary of the Association in the year 2012. He has initiated a tradition of quarterly General Body meetings followed by LUNCH as well as new year celebrations. During his tenure, he made an application to the Pr. CCIT for allotment of room for our Association in IT Towers. Further, he has started a Website of our Association. Com. B.Shanthi Kumar handed over the charge of General Secretary to me in April, 2016, from which date, I tried my best to carry out my responsibilities under the able guidance of our President Com. B.N. Gnana Prakash and Vice Presidents Com.B.Shanthi Kumar and Com. B.Nageswara Rao and with great support of other office bearers, namely, Comrades, K.Gopala Krishna (Joint Secretary), T.Krishnaiah (Asst. Secretary), P.Rambabu (Treasurer), ECMembers, Comrades E. Narasimha Rao, GVRS Varaprasad, G.Sambasiva Patel, N.S.Rama Sastry, Kota Sreerama Sarma, Smt. Ramani Bai Vittal and N.Purnachander Rao. Once again I thank all of them individually by name. On behalf of all the office bearers, I submit the details of achievements of our working committee as under.

4. **Allotment of Pensioners room:** Our first achievement was allotment of room No. 334, in 3C, IT Towers, for use by the Pensioners. This was possible by continual persuasion with the Administration. We have been utilising this room for conducting of EC meetings for discussing the issues of common interest of pensioners, individual grievances and also to help the officials who are in the verge of retirement, in preparation of pension papers etc. One key of the room is kept with Sri Sudhakar Reddy, A.O sitting in adjacent room, so that any Pensioner visiting IT Towers can utilise the room.
5. **Convening of E.C meetings every month:** I tried by best to convene E.C meeting of Office bearers atleast once in a month and discuss the issues on hand.
6. **Conducting of quarterly General Body meetings followed by lunch:** I am happy to say that with great support of all office bearers, I could continue the tradition created by Com. Shanthi Kumar in conducting quarterly General Body meetings followed by lunch. May I inform you all that till now the lunch is being arranged during the G.B meetings, by way of contribution or sponsor by the office bearers without drawing single rupee from the funds of the Association. In our first G.B. I have organised speech by Dr. Bhaktiar Choudary, Spine and sports specialist and in some of our meetings, we have installed the counters of LIC and Banks with their agents to explain various schemes which are useful to the Pensioners. I am sure that these quarterly G.B meetings have given opportunity to our members not only to meet old colleagues/friends but also to discuss latest developments relating to the Pensioners and the issues of common interest.
7. **Pensioners Website:** During the period of our tenure, I tried to post the latest news, circulars and Government orders relating to revision of pension, CGHS etc., which are useful to the Pensioners, photographs of our Events etc., in our website, [www.aptitpa.com](http://www.aptitpa.com) so as to keep our members abreast of the happenings relating to the Pensioners.
8. **Starting of Watsapp group of Pensioners:** A watsapp group by name, **Income Tax retirees forum** has been started in which the pensioners are actively participating by uploading useful information and by discussing various issues relating to Pensioners.
9. **News Letters:** During our tenure, I have started preparing quarterly news letters on various developments relating to the Pensioners and distributed them during General Body meetings. In addition, most of our members have contributed for monthly Bulletins published by our Federation, which is being sent to them to their residential addresses direct.
10. **Conducting of Pension Adalat:** The Pr. CCIT, Hyderabad, communicated his intention to conduct Pension Adalat and called for grievances of Pensioners in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana States, in the month of November, 2016. Our Association circulated the same and obtained grievances from pensioners and forwarded them to the Pr. CCIT immediately. Owing to our persuasion, some of the grievances have been redressed by the Administration even without conducting of the Adalat. However, there are some serious grievances relating to

non-payment of pension, delay in reimbursement of medical expenses under CGHS etc., which can be solved only through Pension Adalat. Therefore, we have submitted a letter to the Pr. CCIT on 9<sup>th</sup> July, 2018 requesting him to conduct Pension Adalat without further delay. This matter has to be seriously pursued by the next Committee.

**11. Collection of data in support of option 1 of revision of pension as per 7<sup>th</sup> CPC :**

When the Government had set up a Committee to study the feasibility of implementation of Option-1 of revision of pension as per the recommendations of the 7<sup>th</sup> CPC, we have visited Zonal Accounts Office, Hyderabad and the Pr. CCIT Office, Hyderabad and collected certain information and material from them and forwarded to our Federation, to strengthen our claim during the discussion with the Secretary, Pension, New Delhi, that Option-1 can be implemented.

**12. Outstanding achievement of the Association in implementation of revision of pension as per 7<sup>th</sup> CPC:**

We are aware that in place of Option no. 1 of 7<sup>th</sup> CPC, the Government issued O.M. No. 38/37/2016-P&PW(A), dt:12.05.2017 ordering for revision of pension on the basis of formulae given in the above O.M. Due to continued pursuation, the Pr. CCIT, Hyderabad, formed special teams and completed the work of revision of pension in respect of 2100 Pensioners of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana States, **without calling for any information from the Pensioners**. This work was completed by the Pr. CCIT by September, 2017 and the CPAO issued orders by November, 2017. However, some of our members have been complaining that they have not yet received revised amount of pension due to the delay in payment by the Banks. Therefore, this matter has been brought to the notice of our Federation requesting them to take up the issue with the Government. Further, considering that most of our members are drawing pension from SBI, I have addressed a letter to the Chief General Manager, SBI, Hyderabad on 29.06.2018, requesting him to issue instructions for immediate payment and if required by augmenting additional staff for this work. The CGM, SBI has immediately responded to our letter and sought for details, such as name of the Pensioner, PPO number, Bank account number, Name of the Branch and contact number. I have already called for these details from our members through Whatsapp. However, no details received so far. Therefore, those who have not received revised pension and arrears may please furnish these details now to Com. T.Krishnaiah, Asst. Secretary.

**13. Conducting of Cultural Event:**

For the first time in the history of our Association, we have conducted a big Cultural Event followed by dinner on 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 2017, in the auditorium at Mehdi manzil, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad with an intention to encourage in-house talents. In this event, Com. B.Nageswara Rao and Com.K.Gopalakrishna have played mythological drama and Com.Shafi and his team have played a Hindi drama. The children and grand children of some of our comrades have given excellent performances on this occasion. The pensioners along with family members attended this Event in big numbers and made it a grand success.

- 14. Participated in Dharna conducted by the CCGEW:** The office bearers of the Association participated in a dharna conducted by the Confederation of Central Government Employees and Workers, at Hyderabad on 10.01.2017 demanding implementation of recommendations of 7<sup>th</sup> CPC for revision of pension, scrapping of new pension scheme etc.
- 15. Attending to the National Executive Committee Meeting of our Federation at Kolkata and EC Meeting of Pensioners Association, Visakhapatnam Unit:** Myself along with Com. B.Shanthi Kumar have attended NEC meeting of our Federation at Kolkatta on 16.12.2017 and highlighted the problems being faced by our members in A.P and Telangana, for taking up the same before the Central Government/CBDT. Further, some suggestions of common interest have been given. On invitation from our Vizag Unit, I have also attended their EC meeting held on 11.02.2018 at Visakhapatnam along with our president Com. G.N.Gnana Prakash. We have observed that Vizag unit is organising a number of welfare activities, such as distribution of medical kits, preparation of ID cards etc., which are appreciable.
- 16. Hosting of National Executive Committee meeting of Income Tax Pensioners Federation in Hyderabad:** Another landmark achievement of ours is hosting of National Executive Committee Meeting of the Federation at Hyderabad on 16<sup>th</sup> April, 2018. This meeting was attended by the President, Vice President, Secretary General of Income Tax Pensioners Federation and representatives of the Pensioners Associations of various States of the country. We have received all the delegates from Airports/railway stations and arranged a comfortable accommodation in Hotel Sri Venkateswara, Lakdikapool, Hyderabad. We have provided them cars for their movement. During the course of the meeting, I have putforth various issues relating to CGHS, pension matters and some individual grievances and the Secretary General promised to take up the same with the authorities concerned at New Dellhi. The report submitted to the Secretary General is available in our website. You are all aware that the major problems for hosting such meetings are finance and man-power. The total amount spent for this purpose is Rs. 2.20 lakhs. Here, I should place on record that out of the total cost, entire cost towards accommodation of delegates in Hotel Sri Venkateswara, Lakdikapool, Hyderabad and food at the Hotel (approximately Rs.50,000) was borne by Com. B.Shanthi Kumar. I thank him a lot. Further, we have collected an amount of Rs.65,000 towards subscription to Souvenir proposed to be released on the eve of this meet. Finally, we have received an amount of Rs. 93,200 as donations from our Members. Here, I have to bow my head and pay respects to all of you for your tremendous support by giving donations. Finally, we have drawn an amount of Rs.11,800 only from our Association funds towards conducting of such a mega event. I once again appeal that the members willing to pay donations may please pay to our Treasurer, Com. P.Rambabu. Here, I will be failing in my duty if I do not thank Com. Shafi, Com. Janakiram, Com. Ch. Jagannadha Rao, Com. T.Krishnaiah, Com. Gousuddin who have volunteered to extend their services in receiving and seeing off the delegates from/to Airports and railway stations. I appreciate them and thank them a lot. Last but not the least, I thank all the office bearers by name, for having worked as a Team in extending our hospitality to the delegates and conducting the National Executive Committee meeting successfully. The minutes of the meeting can be perused from our Website. In this connection, I am to inform that Shri KKN. Kutty, Secretary General of our Federation has conveyed his appreciation and gratitude for the hospitality extended by us in Hyderabad.

Taking this as an opportunity, we have convened General Body meeting on the same day. This meeting was addressed by our National Leaders, Com.Umesh Mehta

(President, ITPF), Com. Surendra Sarma (Vice President, ITPF), Com. B.Shanthi Kumar (Vice President, ITPF) and Com. KKN. Kutty, (Secretary General, ITPF) and others. Our members have well interacted with them during the course of this meeting.

- 17. Implementation of the decision of CAT, Mumbai Bench:** As you are aware on appeal by the ITGOA, the CAT, Mumbai Bench in their decision in OA. No. 86/2008, dated 17.01.2012, directed the Department to give pay up-gradation to ITOs and ITIs with effect from 01.01.1996 which is the date of implementation of Fifth Pay Commission, whereas the Department had given effect from 21.04.2004, which is the date of order of the Government up-grading the pay. The following are the beneficiaries of this decision.

The above decision of the Hon. CAT, Mumbai is applicable to:

- a) Those who were working as Income tax Officers as on 1-1-1996;
- b) Those who were working as Income Tax Inspectors as on 1-1-1996 and promoted as Income tax Officers between 1-1-1996 to 21-4-2004;
- c) Those who were working as TAs/Stenos/HCs/OS as on 1-1-1996 and promoted as Inspectors of Income tax between 1-1-1996 to 21-4-2004.

In this connection, the beneficiaries of this decision have to address a letters individually to the Pr. CCIT and a draft/format of such letter is enclosed for your benefit. The Pensioners who get benefit out of this decision may please file a letter individually to the Pr. CCIT direct as per the format enclosed, at the earliest. I request our President, Com. B.N. Gnana Prakash to kindly enlighten further on this issue.

- 18. Payment of membership fee and contribution:** As you are all aware, the membership fee for life has been revised to Rs. 1000/- (payment once only) and the yearly contribution to Rs. 500/- per annum (to meet regular expenses). Therefore, I request the new members to pay to the Treasurer, Com. P.Rambabu, Rs.1,000/- now towards life membership and Rs. 500/- per annum from next year onwards towards contribution. All existing members are requested to pay Rs. 500/- now towards contribution for the year 2018-19.

- 19.** I once again thank all office bearers for their support in discharging my duties as General Secretary and for successful completion of our term. Further, I wish all the best to the new Committee to be elected for the period 2018-19 to 2019-20.

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Fraternally yours,

Hyderabad.

Dated: 27<sup>th</sup> July, 2018.

(G.SURYA PRASAD)

GENERAL SECRETARY.