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Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha-South Mumbai)

AS/MP/05/C-MOCIT/2020

Date: 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 2020

*Dear Hon'ble Shri Ravi Shankar Prasad ji*

I am in receipt of a letter Dated 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 2020 which is addressed to Shri. P. K. Purwar, CMD, MTNL, regarding "Retention of MTNL/BSNL Staff Quarters to VRS-2019 retirees and those who were retired on superannuation recently", copy of letter which is self-explanatory is enclosed herewith for ready reference please.

Sir, you are well aware that, India has been under lockdown since 25<sup>th</sup> March, 2020, no one can predict that when our Nation will come out from dangerous situation of COVID-19 pandemic.

Employees of MTNL & BSNL those who are retired on 31/01/2020 under Voluntary Retirement Scheme -2019 and retired thereafter on superannuation, out of these some employees are residing in Departmental Residence Quarters provided to them by MTNL/BSNL. Most of these employees do not have any other alternative accommodation. During this COVID-19 pandemic situation, if the Department forced them to vacate their present Departmental Residence Quarters, they will be homeless.

Hence, your Honour is requested to please look into this subject personally and arrange to issue necessary directives for retaining the MTNL/BSNL Departmental Quarters upto 2 years instead of 8 months from the date of retirement in respect of VRS Retirees and those who were retired on superannuation recently.

Yours sincerely,

*With Regards!!*

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