

### **Retrograde act of DoPT.**

Reversal of its position by DoPT put thousands of Pensioners in hardship, many of them already filed cases in courts/tribunals around the country.

After 16 months of SC judgement for Grant of notional increment (as due on 1st July/1st January) for pensionary benefits to those employees who had retired on 30th June/31st December before drawing the same, DoPT files review petition. Railway Board advises ZRs/PUs to wait until final judgement by SC.

### **Ref: Railway Board letter No. PC-VI/2023, dated 21.08.2024.**

DoPT has filed a review petition before Supreme Court seeking review of Supreme Court order dated 11.04.2023. As such, the issue of notional increment has not attained finality and judicial procedure are underway for final judgement by Supreme Court.

In view of the above Railway Board now advised all zonal Railways / PUs in fresh O.As/W.Ps on issue of grant of notional increment and in cases decided recently allowing notional increment a Misc Application / Affidavit may be filed before court/tribunal, to get interim stay on implementation of orders of courts/tribunals and to adjourn O.A/W.P sine die. A final decision may be taken after review petition filed by DoPT attains finality.