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To,

The Director General of Meteorology,
India Meteorological Department,
Mausam Bhavan, Lodi Road,
New Delhi- 110003

Sub: Regarding Operational status of IMD; change of service classification.

- Ref:- 1. DGM UOI NO.B-12017/NGSU/2014 (E-III)
2. IMD/NGSU/70 dated 11.08.2014
3. IMD Admin Recruitment rules.

Respected Sir,

This Union had submitted letter regarding operational status of IMD on 11th Aug 2014, the reply to which is still awaited. However on 25th Sept 2014 administration in its reply to NGSU's '**Dharna notice**' has mentioned that regarding OTA rates and allowances, they will take up the matter with the concerned ministry. Clarification on this subject regarding whether IMD can perform operational duties under present service classification is sought by this Union? It is not known whether IMD administration is aware of non-coverage of operational status of IMD under present **GENERAL CENTRAL SERVICES** classification. It is also not known whether IMD administration does not want to pay attention to this classification riddle as the Group-B and Group - C employees continue to perform operational work without any protest. It may be noted here that NGSU has reserved its protest stand for the sake of clarification from this office.

As per rules, the operational status of IMD was covered under **INDIA METEOROLOGICAL SERVICES** for all the Groups. Our department has created big discrimination and has been exploiting the Group-B and Group-C staff by amending rules only for Group-A. **IMD administration may kindly go through the Admin R/Rules which also state and classifies the admin cadres as "GENERAL CENTRAL SERVICES". This projects that scientific and technical cadres are brought down and equated to admin staff.**

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Considering the above aspects, the following needs to be heeded, adhered to and implemented for further functioning of this office:

1. IMD should represent to DoPT and MoES regarding operational needs of the department and provide information to concerned ministry as to how observatories are running round the clock and also about operational work of aviation and weather sections.
2. If these services are required in national interest, then Service classification should be changed in line with the departmental mandate and all Group- B and Group- C employee who are working under roster should be brought under proper service classification as earlier like 'INDIA METEOROLOGICAL SERVICES' where they will continue to get their operational benefits or otherwise the term "Scientific and Operational" may be added with General Central Services as term "Scientific" is added in R/Rules of Group 'A' Cadres.

This union has repeatedly raised the issue of OTA and NW in several meetings with administration but department has not initiated proper action for amendment of rules. **This is our ultimate reminder to IMD.** NGSU is anticipating reply within stipulated time span and also demand for providing copies of correspondence made by IMD to MoES and DoPT regarding this issue in order to avoid further agitation. If satisfied reply is not received then NGSU will have no option but to ask its staff to stop performing Operational duties.



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Gen. Secretary

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