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28 January, 2014

*Dear Shri Antony*

This is with reference to our discussion today, further to my letter to you dated 18 January, 2014 - about the memo issued by the Department of Ex-Servicemen Welfare (DESW) on 02 January, 2014 ruling that ex-servicemen who take the Ministry of Defence to court for disability and pension benefits would have to fight their cases all the way up to the Supreme Court.

As I have explained, and you have so kindly agreed, this memo conveys an impression of callousness on part of the Ministry and the Government, since this involves thousands of ex-servicemen who have lost their limbs and/or eyesight and/or sustained grievous harm in the service of our nation.

I request you to have this Order annulled and have a more compassionate approach to dealing with each case of disability and pension claims, without the soldiers and their families having to undergo a long, arduous and often, very expensive battle in the courts.

I look forward to your intervention and resolution of the same. Your compassionate approach will go a long way in signalling the Government's respect for the service of these brave men and women and their families.

Yours Sincerely,

*Rajeev*  
RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR

**Shri A. K. Antony**  
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D.O. No. 436 vif /RM/2014

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03 Feb,

Dear Shri Rajeev Chandrasekhar,

I am in receipt of your letter dated 28<sup>th</sup> January, 2014 regarding the issue of disability and pension benefits to Ex- Servicemen and their families.

I have directed the concerned officers in my Ministry to examine the points raised by you.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

(A.K. Antony)

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8<sup>th</sup> February, 2014

Dear Shri Rajeev Chandrasekhar,


This has reference to your letter dated 28<sup>th</sup> January, 2014 regarding MoD ID No. 02.01.2014 issued by Department of Ex-Servicemen Welfare containing instructions for processing of certain categories of Court cases for appeal.

The matter has been examined and it is informed that the Department's intention was only to simplify the process of decision making regarding filing of appeals in the identified categories of cases, in order to avoid delays.

However, in view of the concerns expressed as well as procedural complications, it has been decided to revert to status quo ante and withdraw the earlier instructions.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

  
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