

Hike in wages for ‘Dak’ workers soon

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An estimated five lakh postal workers across the country, who are earning Rs.6,000 a month now, will soon get a minimum wage of Rs.10,000, according to Union Labour Minister Bandaru Dattatreya.

At the 11th Federal Council of Bharat Postal Employees Federation (BPEF) here on Sunday, he said he will participate in a meeting of the Union Cabinet Sub-Committee in New Delhi on Monday and hoped that the panel will thrash out their problems by coming up with solutions aimed at utilising the human resources and the potential of postal employees better.

Even as things were racing towards Digital India, Mr. Dattatreya said that the role of the frontline ‘Postman’ continued to be as important as it had been, all these decades. The Centre was contemplating utilising their full potential, he said, adding that this was what the panel had on its agenda. He said that the 7th Pay Commission would be implemented in its amended version soon.

The Union Minister said that because the subject of ‘labour’ was in the concurrent list, he would be initiating discussions with the State Government to ensure that a labourer got Rs.160 a day under the National Floor-level Minimum Wage.

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