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Title: Need to extend the benefits of Sixth Central Pay Commission to Gramin Dak Sevaks in the country.

SHRI C. KUPPUSAMI (MADRAS NORTH): Sir, consequent on the constitution of Sixth Central Pay Commission, the Department of Posts constituted a Committee to look into the service conditions of 3 lakhs Gramin Dak Sevaks in Postal Department. The Committee have submitted its report.

The Secretary (Posts) constituted another internal committee comprising five officers of Postal Department to examine the proposals of the Committee and to submit its reports. Accordingly, the Internal Committee submitted its report on 19.01.2009.

Even though the Central Pay Commission submitted its reports and the recommendations have already been implemented for regular Central Government employees including regular Postal employees, the Gramin Dak Sevaks have not been given the benefit so far.

I would, therefore, urge upon the Hon'ble Minister for Communications and Information Technology to personally intervene in the matter and take suitable measures for immediate implementation of new pay scales to Gramin Dak Sevaks by holding talks with all Service unions including the union which have applied for recognition and are kept pending. This is very important in the interest of the welfare of postal workers throughout the country who are the backbone of the Postal Department.