11th May, 2021.

Shri Girish Radhakrishnan,
Chairman,
GIPSA,
<u>Chennai.</u>

Re: <u>Request to extend the facility of giving advance to Pensioners for admission in hospitals due to Covid '19.</u>

Dear Sir,

We refer to our earlier communication of 6th instant on the above connection and would like to place a gentle reminder to expedite the instruction to issue of advance in line with the facility extended to the in-service employees.
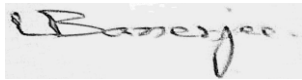
We once again place before you the request as a large number of hospitals are refusing cashless hospitalization for the treatment of Covid-19 and will admit patients only in case of claim on reimbursement basis, for which they insist on a huge advance as deposit.

As the pensioners are above the age of 60 and are falling in the segment of most vulnerable to get infected by the dreaded Covid-19, at the time of need for hospitalization, they are not in a position to run around to make arrangement for the advance/deposit called by for the hospitals.

With the above in view, we await your early action to ensure that the pensioners are relived of the hardship of arranging advance/deposit to the hospital.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

(U.Banerjee)
General Secretary,
General Insurance Pensioners All India Federation.