

FORUM OF BSNL UNIONS / ASSOCIATIONS

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Forum/Circular

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Organise Two Days Strike on 21 – 22 April, 2015

Dear Comrades,

As you are aware, the Forum of BSNL Unions / Associations of Non-Executives and Executives has given call for a Two Days Strike on 21 – 22 April, 2015 demanding Government and BSNL Management to take immediate steps for the Revival of BSNL and ensuring financial viability of the Company. The notice was served to the CMD BSNL, Secretary DoT and Minister of Communications & IT on 12.03.2015 after holding massive lunch hour demonstrations all over the country.

The strike notice includes the following demands which are most important for the revival, growth and for providing a better service to the customers.

Charter of Demands:

- 1) Immediate procurement of equipments.
- 2) Compensation to BSNL for loss making rural services.
- 3) Financial Assistance to BSNL to expand services.
- 4) No merger of BSNL & MTNL.
- 5) No subsidiary Tower Company – Merge BBNL with BSNL.
- 6) Reject TRAI recommendation to surrender 1.2 MHz spectrum.
- 7) Fill up posts of Directors in BSNL.
- 8) Transfer its assets to BSNL.
- 9) Immediate refund of spectrum charges of Rs.6,700 crore.
- 10) BSNL services to be mandatory to Central/State govt., PSUs.
- 11) Spectrum Liberalisation by BSNL.
- 12) Reject Anti-BSNL, Anti-worker recommendations of Deloittee Committee.
- 13) Allot spectrum free to BSNL.
- 14) BSNL should start 4G services.
- 15) No mandatory purchase of equipment from ITI.
- 16) Grant of 78.2%.
- 17) Regular Pension Revision of BSNL Retirees.
- 18) Pension contribution as actual basic pay instead of on maximum of the pay.
- 19) 30% superannuation benefits to BSNL Direct Recruittees.
- 20) Fresh Recruitment of Staff.

A "Save BSNL Campaign" was organized by holding circle level conventions and collecting signatures from people in support of our demands. In the Parliament March organized on 25th February, 2015, participated by thousands of BSNL employees, the Memorandum signed by more than 25 lakh people has been submitted to the Prime Minister requesting early action. A three days dharna was organized earlier on 6 – 8 January, 2015.

The annual revenue of BSNL is continuously sliding down. BSNL is in loss for the last 5 years. Only three circles Kerala, Jammu & Kashmir and Odisha have posted profit. The market share has gone down to 8.62% as on 31.12.2014. BSNL is not able to procure equipments and hence developmental activities are stagnated. Tens of thousands of landlines and even mobile lines are surrendered. The service is not up to the mark. If this situation continues, BSNL also may be declared as a sick company like MTNL. A sick company may be closed or privatized according to the

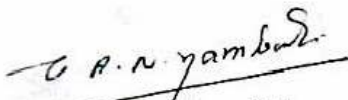
policy of the government. Sick companies may not implement wage revision. This is a very serious situation.

The Central Govt. is aggressively implementing neo-liberal policies and PSUs are a non-priority for it. It is only through sustained struggles and strikes under the joint platform of Forum / Joint Forum that the BSNL employees have been able to defeat govt. moves to implement VRS and Disinvestment. Now it is the struggle for Revival of BSNL. Support of the people is a must and we have to approach them for it.

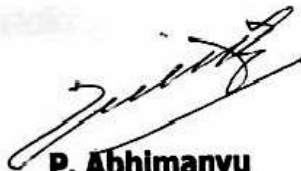
The Two Days Strike on 21 – 22 April, 2015 should be made fully successfully with the entire employees' participation. It is a 'Do or Die' struggle and each and every one has to be part of this great struggle.

There are only very few days left for the strike. We call upon all of you to organize the strike fully and effectively making it a grand success.

Yours faithfully



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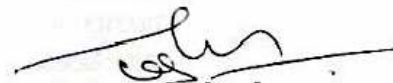
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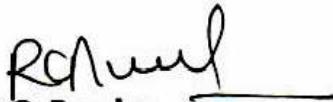
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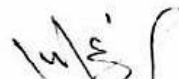
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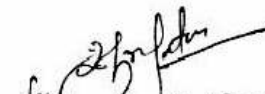
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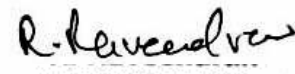


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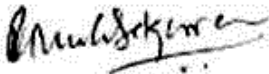
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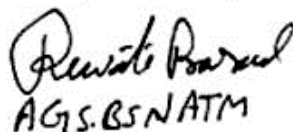
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