

Lr. No. BSNL/TT/SR/General Matters/2017-20/99 Dated at Hyd the 28.04.2021

To
The Director (HR)
Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited
New Delhi - 110001

Respected Sir,

Sub: Request for sanction of funds for treatment of BSNL employees affected with COVID - Reg.

The second wave of COVID-19 pandemic is spreading across the country with enormous rise in the number of persons getting affected and hospitalized with major health complications.

Several BSNL employees in the Circle have been tested COVID positive and advised hospitalization. We have been keeping a data of BSNL employees reported COVID positive on a daily basis to have appropriate remedial action. It is reported that most of the Govt. hospitals have reached a saturated level for admissions and efforts are being made for early hospitalization in Govt. hospitals. Empanelled hospitals are not providing cashless treatment because of their pending dues with BSNL. Many of the private hospitals are demanding deposit of Rs.5 lakhs to Rs.10 lakhs for admission and treatment in advance from patients.

Many of the BSNL employees have conveyed their apprehension to the management over this issue and are much worried about themselves and their dependents as most of the COVID positive BSNL employees are those who have field interactions like TMs, CSC Staff, field officers etc.. It is noticed that many of the financial institutions, both in public and private sector are having a hesitant approach to give loans to BSNL employees. This is adding pressure to the employees in case of emergencies.

This being the pulse of the employees as a whole, owing to the present peculiar situation, **it is requested to make provision for funds so as to sanction upto a maximum amount of Rs.10 Lakhs as medical advance to employees for self or their dependents admitted for COVID treatment in any private hospital and need further treatment in ICU.**

The delegation of powers for approval of medical advance may be given to CGMs for approving the same, and emergency funds allotted to Circle at least around Rs.2 Crores for each Circle for payment to most deserving cases as decided by CGM .

With warm regards,



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Chief General Manager