

BHARAT SANCHAR NIGAM LIMITED (A GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ENTERPRISE) SR Cell, Corporate Office 8th Floor, Bharat Sanchar Bhawan, Harish Chander Mathur Lane, Janpath, New Delhi-110 001

No. BSNL/7-1/SR/2020

Dated: 07.12.2021

To

Shri P.Abhimanyu, Convenor.

Shri C.Singh, Chairman.

Subject: Minutes issued by DoT for the meeting held on 24.11.2021 with Unions and Associations

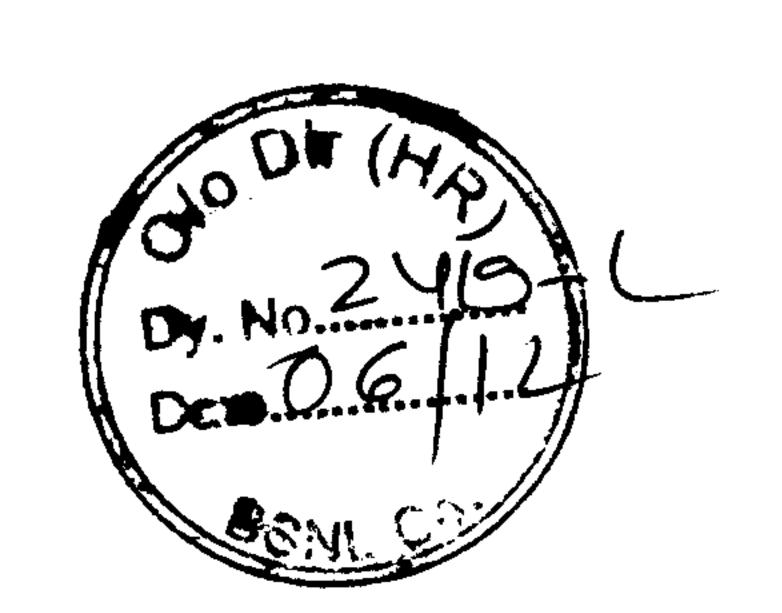
Sir,

I am directed to refer to the subject mentioned above and to forward a copy of minutes of the meeting held on 24.11.2021 in DoT with representative of Unions/Associations.

Yours faithfully,

Encls: as above.

(Pardeèp Kumar) Asstt. General Manager(SR)



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Sanchar Bhawan, New Delhi-110001 Dated 1st December, 2021

To

The Chairman & Managing Director Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited Bharat Sanchar Bhawan, Janpath New Delhi-110001

Subject:

Minutes of the meeting held on 24.11.2021 at 4.00 PM in the Department of Telecommunications (DoT) with BSNL Union representatives.

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith a copy of the minutes of the meeting held on 24.11.2021 at 4.00 PM in the Department of Telecommunications (DoT) with BSNL Union representatives.

2. It is requested that the minutes may be circulated to the representatives of the Unions/Associations who attended the meeting.

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Yours faithfully,

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A meeting was held in DoT, Sanchar Bhawan, New Delhi under the chairmanship of DDG (PM) on 24th November, 2021 at 4:00 PM with representatives of Unions/Associations of BSNL. List of Participants is at Annexure.

- 2. At the outset, DDG(PM) welcomed all participants and thanked for their full support in achieving desirable targets in VRS that too without any litigation. DDG(PM) further emphasized on importance of regular meetings with Unions and Association of BSNL so as to build the necessary trust and confidence in BSNL's employees. He asked all participants to bring out the issues which needs urgent redressal.
- 3. The agenda points highlighted by Union representatives are given below:
- (i) Roll out of PAN India 4G and testing of 5G and demanded financial support to BSNL for compensating loss due to delay in launching of 4G through indigenous technology.
- (ii) Payment of the pending dues to BSNL by the DoT, the representatives claimed that dues amounting to Rs. 39000 Crore is pending for payment to BSNL by DoT.
- (iii) Payment of pension contribution by BSNL based on the actual basic pay in accordance with the Government orders.
- (iv) No handing over of BSNL's mobile towers and optic fibre to the private, as envisaged in the National Monetization Pipeline, as well as in the Government of India's Budget.
- (v) Speeding up of land monetization process to off-set BSNL's debt.
- (vi) Immediate settlement of 3rd Pay Revision for the executives/wage revision for non-executives.
- (vii) Revised PO for E2 and E3 Pay Scales for JTO/JAO and SDE/AO equivalent grades.
- 4. DDG(PM) informed all participants that DoT is continuously monitoring the roll out of 4G plan of BNSL. Proof of Concept (PoC) for the Indian core and RAN equipments by the indigenous manufacturers is at very advance stage and is expected to be completed by 15th January 2022. Secretary (T) is having regular meetings with vendors to see that whole process gets completed at the earliest and BSNL can issue PO for PAN India roll out of 4G by August/September 2022. It is great achievement that in line with the "AtmaNirbhar Bharat", TCS has developed Indian core and RAN equipment at par with global vendors.

- 5. As BSNL is not able to provide 4G services, its market share is continuously declining and revenue is only sufficient to meet the operational expenditure. DDG(PM) agreed with union representatives that huge capital investment is required to upgrade existing infrastructure and procuring new equipment to launch PAN India 4G services by BSNL. DDG(PM) assured that the Department is making all out efforts so that BSNL can continue giving 2G, 3G services and start giving 4G services to its subscribers at the earliest and is also considering proposal for financial support to BSNL.
- 6. DDG(PM) also informed that the Department is having close coordination with DIPAM regarding sale of land/assets of BSNL/MTNL. As per Cabinet approval in 2019, revenue earned from monetization of core/non-core assets of BSNL will be used for servicing BSNL's debt and other requirements.
- 7. Other issues of Payment of pension contribution by BSNL based on the actual basic pay brought out by Union representatives is looked after by DDG (Estt.). DDG(PM) assured to get examine the issue of Revised PO for E2 and E3 Pay Scales for JTO/JAO and SDE/AO equivalent grades.
- 8. In the end DDG(PM) asserted that the Department wishes for the revival of BSNL and hoping that with the implementation of revival package, BSNL becomes net profitable in the near future. DDG(PM) thanked all the Unions for their constant trust and support. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

List of participants in the meeting chaired by DDG(PM) on 24.11.2021 at 4.00 PM in the Department of Telecommunications (DoT) with BSNL Union representatives.

From DoT

- 1. Shri Sanjeev Gupta, DDG (PM)
- 2. Shri Ravindra Prasad, Director (PSU-I)
- 3. Shri Dhirendra Verma, Director (Projects)
- 4. Ms. Yashasvi Mund, ADG (PSU-I)
- 5. Shri Rathish Kumar P.P., SO (SU)

From BSNL

- 1. Ms. Anita Johri, Sr.GM (SR)
- 2. Shri Pradeep Kumar, AGM (SR)

Union/Association representatives of BSNL

- 1. Shri P Abhimanyu. General Secretary, BSNLEU
- 2. Shri Chandeshwar Singh, General Secretary, NFTE
- 3. Shri Md. Wasi Ahmed, General Secretary, AIGETOA
- 4. Shri K. Sebastin, General Secretary, SNEA
- 5. Shri S. Sivakumar. General Secretary, AIBSNLEA
- 6. Shri N.D. Ram, General Secretary, SEWA
- 7. Shri Mohinder Singh, AGS, FNTO
- 8. Shri Suresh Kumar, General Secretary, BSNLMS
- 9. Shri Dipak Sharma, General Secretary, SNATTA
- 10. Shri Rewati Prasad, AGS ATM, BSNL
- 11. Shri H.P. Singh, General Secretary, BSNLOA
- 12. Shri Manoj Singh, General Secretary, AITEEA
- 13. Shri Ganshyam Ahirwar, General Secretary, BEA