

FORUM OF BSNL UNIONS / ASSOCIATIONS

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Circular No.10

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To

**General Secretaries of all Unions
and Associations of Forum.**

Dear comrade,

A meeting of the Forum was held on 04.03.2016, at BSNL MS office. Com. Prahlad Rai, GS, AIBSNLEA, presided over the meeting. Com. P. Abhimanyu, Convener, welcomed the participants and briefly explained about the agenda items of the meeting. After detailed discussions, the following decisions are taken.

(1) Service With A Smile (SWAS) programme.

The meeting viewed that the call of the Forum for implementing the SWAS programme has received very good response from the employees. The meeting heartily congratulated the entire employees of BSNL for making the "Service With A Smile" programme a tremendous success. Detailed discussion took place for making the programme more effective, and also its extension beyond 31.03.2017. It was decided to inform the Management that more focus should be given on Leased Lines, by providing necessary equipments. It was also decided that the Unions and Associations should make updatings on their websites with regards to information related to the SWAS programme.

(2) March 10th protest action by Central Trade Unions.

The Central Trade Unions have given call to observe a **protest action** on 10th March, 2016, against Labour Law Amendments, Disinvestment in PSUs, Allowing FDI in strategic sectors and also demanding settlement of the 12 point charter of demands. The Forum has decided to participate in this protest action, by including the following demands.

- (a) Rs.1250 crore compensation from USO Fund should be paid to BSNL without any further delay.
- (b) The amount spent by BSNL for paying the salaries of employees deputed to DoT and TERM Cells should be reimbursed immediately.
- (c) Pension contribution, by BSNL, to the government should be calculated only based on basic pay of the employees and not on the maximum of the pay scale.
- (d) Budget proposal for taxation on EPF withdrawals should be taken back.
- (e) 78.2% IDA merger for pensioners should be settled immediately.

(3) Proposed ICR agreement with the Reliance Jio.

The proposal for making Intra Circle Roaming (ICR) agreement with the Reliance Jio was discussed in detail. The meeting is of the opinion that BSNL should enter into ICR agreement with the Reliance Jio only if it is beneficial to BSNL. It is decided that Forum should write to the CMD BSNL, demanding that all the details should be shared with the Forum, before any agreement is signed with Reliance Jio.

(4) Meeting with the Hon'ble Minister of Communications.

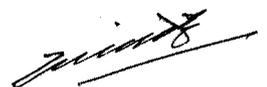
It was decided that the Forum should seek a meeting with the Hon'ble Minister of Communications on the issue of BSNL's pension contribution to the government.

(5) Meeting with the Secretary, DoT.

It was decided that the Forum should seek a meeting with the Secretary, DoT, on the issues related to the revival of BSNL.

I request you to extend your fullest cooperation for the implementation of the decisions of the Forum meeting.

Thanking you,
Yours fraternally



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