

31-08-2019

The following comrades of AIBSNLEA/CTD retire today due to superannuation.

- 1) Com.Dilip Kumar Dogra ,SDE/PHS - Member of Central Branch
- 2) Com.Debojyoti Bose,AO/Cash/North -Member of North Branch -He has donated Rs.2000/- to the Branch. We appreciate his noble act.
- 3) Com.Ratan Kr Mitra, AO/Cash/Legacy -Member of TB Branch
- 4) Com.Sadananda Dutta ,SDE/Alipur/Extl -Member of South Branch
- 5) Com.Shahnaz Ahmed,SDE/BTS mtce/Bhatpara -Member of North Branch
- 6) Com.Nimai Charan Sarkar ,CAO/Audit-Member of TB Branch
- 7) Com.Goutam Chaudhuri, PA/DGM/MM- Member of Central Branch

We convey our best wishes to all the comrades for a happy, healthy, peaceful & active life after retirement.

30-08-2019

Status of DE to DGM Promotion case at Hon'ble CAT Chandigarh

(1) MA No. 1030/2019 filed by Sh Pritam Chand & Ors Vs BSNL came up for hearing today and posted for next hearing on 17.10.2019.

(2) OA No. 531/2017 filed by Sh Naresh Thakur & Ors Vs BSNL came up for hearing today and posted for next hearing on 13.12.2019.

30-08-2019

BSNL Corporate Office New Delhi issued guidelines for Opening of Separate Bank Account for External Works of Civil Wing. AIBSNLEA has taken up the issue with CMD BSNL, Director (Finance) & Director (EB) BSNL Board for the necessity of opening Separate a Separate Bank Account for the External Works of Civil Wing. Due to the consistent efforts of AIBSNLEA, BSNL CO now issued necessary guidelines in this regard: [<<<Click here for letter>>>](#)

30-08-2019

BSNL Corporate Office, New Delhi issued instructions regarding GTI Scheme for BSNL Executives regarding deduction of quarterly premium from the salaries against from the policy of sum assured of Rs. 20 lakhs. [<<<Click here for letter>>>](#)

30-08-2019

Hon'ble MOC has entrusted additional charge of Director (HR) BSNL Board to Shri P.K. Purwar, CMD BSNL with immediate effect for a period of three months or till the appointment of regular incumbent or until further orders, whichever is the earliest. [<<<Click here for letter>>>](#)

29-08-2019

CS/CTD writes to CGM/CTD regarding the Issues related to the executives of EZBC,Kolkata (after being transferred from WBTC to CTD). [<<< see letter >>>](#)

29-08-2019

BSNL Corporate Office New Delhi issued consolidated guidelines for considering requests of BSNL Employees for Deputation to other outside Organizations.[<<<Click here for letter>>>](#)

29-08-2019

USOF /Department of Telecommunications requires SDEs/JTOs on Deputation. [<<< Click here for letter >>>](#)

29-08-2019

Status of AO to CAO Status Quo Case:

The 'Status Quo' Case in CAT Chandigarh in respect of promotion from AO to CAO filed by Shri Anupam Yadav Vs BSNL came up for hearing in the Hon'ble CAT Chandigarh on 29.08.2019 and posted for [Next hearing on 27.11.2019](#). As per the directions of GS, AIBSNLEA, Shri Ashok Kumar Sharma, Circle President, Punjab was present in the Hon'ble CAT at the time of hearing. On behalf of Management, PGM (Fin) Haryana Circle along with DM (Pers-Legal) Corporate Office New Delhi was attended the Hon'ble CAT.

28-08-2019

Meeting with Director (CM/HR), BSNL Board:-

GS, AGS (Finance), FS/CHQ and Advisor (HQ) met Director (CM/HR), BSNL Board and discussed regarding:-

A) Request transfers in the cadre of DGM (T):- We requested that those DGMs who have completed more than two years may be considered for request transfers on own cost to their Home Circles as they have obeyed & honoured the transfer orders issued by the BSNL Corporate Office and now they are waiting for returning to their Home Circles. Director (CM/HR) appreciated our concern and mentioned that some of them are holding the charge of SSA Heads/TDMs and posting of suitable substitutes for the posts is the cumbersome exercise due to the financial constraints. He further added that the VRS proposal is also under consideration. However, he assured that we will review the cases and not hold for much time and orders will be issued shortly.

B) Request transfers in the cadre of DET/AGM:- We requested to consider the request transfers on own cost in respect of DEs who have completed 2 years or more. Director (CM/HR) mentioned that the request transfers are under hold due to the financial constraints for posting of suitable substitutes. However, he assured to review the cases and shortly orders will be issued.

C) Request transfers on Immunity Grounds: We requested to consider all the request transfers on immunity grounds. Director (HR/CM) assured to look into the matter.

D) DE to DGM (T) Promotion: We requested for early issuance of DE/AGM(T) to DGM (T) Promotion orders. Director (HR/CM) informed that we are trying to get relief from the Hon'ble CAT Chandigarh on the next date of hearing i.e. on 30th August. He also mentioned that we are deputing the officer from Pers Legal Cell of CO BSNL to attend Hon'ble CAT Chandigarh in this regard. After relief from Hon'ble CAT, action will be immediately initiated for the issuance of the promotion orders.

E) Status Quo case of AO to CAO promotion: Director (HR/CM) mentioned that we are trying to vacate the Status Quo from Hon'ble CAT Chandigarh on the next date of hearing i.e. on 29th August (tomorrow). In this regard we are deputing one officer from Pers Legal Cell of CO BSNL to attend Hon'ble CAT Chandigarh.

F) Consideration of Permission for Deputation: We requested to consider the pending requests of Deputation cases. Director (CM/HR) mentioned that in the cadre of

DET/AGM, there may not be any problem, but in respect of other cadres, the draft proposal submitted is still under consideration.

G) Financial Status of BSNL & Revival Package: Director (CM/HR) mentioned that we had received the Letter of Comfort from DoT but the Nationalized Banks are not coming forward and not ready to consider our requirements due to the repaying capacity of BSNL depends on the revenue earning. However, BSNL Management has written a letter to Secretary (T) requesting to issue Sovereign Guarantee to BSNL for availing Loans.

Regarding VRS Package, we submitted that, we are of the opinion that VRS Package should be linked with 3rd PRC and we demanded that VRS Package in BSNL should be implemented along with the implementation of 3rd PRC and requested to use his good offices to escalate our views to the Higher Offices. Director (CM/HR) appreciated our concern and further advised us to discuss with the CMD BSNL. He assured that he will also apprise CMD/ DOT in this regard. He is also of the opinion that VRS along with implementation of 3rd PRC may be helpful in achieving the desired results and also beneficial to the BSNL Employees.

22-08-2019

Meeting with Director (Finance) BSNL Board:-

GS, Chairman and AGS (Finance) met the Director (Fin) BSNL Board and discussed regarding:-

A) Letter of Comfort & Bank Loan to BSNL: We enquired about the Letter of Comfort from DoT for Loan from Bank for Cash liquidity in BSNL. Director (Fin) mentioned that we had received Letter of Comfort from DoT but the Nationalized Banks are not ready to consider our requirements due to the continuous dip in revenue. Hence, today BSNL Management has written a letter to Secretary (T) requesting to offer Sovereign Guarantee to BSNL for availing Loan.

B) Release of Funds to Circles for the outstanding dues: We requested Director (Fin) for the immediate release of funds for the day-to-day maintenance of works including contractual labour payments since maintenance work has been deteriorated due to the non-payment of wages to the contractual labours for more than 6 months as well as Bank EMI, GPF, EPF and Society recoveries etc., due for past three months. Director (Fin) mentioned that Management is trying their best to make such payments but due to non-availability of funds or loan from banks, it is difficult to meet out the requirements immediately. He further mentioned that the revenue collected during

the month has been utilized for the payments of Statutory dues & Bank interest. However, he assured that the outstanding dues will be settled shortly.

C) Opening of Separate Account for External/ Govt. Projects:- We requested to give the permission for opening of separate Account for External/ Govt. Projects as requested by various Circle Heads/ PCE (Civil) and various Circle Secretaries of AIBSNLEA. Director (Fin) BSNL Board mentioned that separate Account has already been opened for Govt. Projects. One Account will be opened for other small misc. works centrally and it is not advisable to open separate Account Circle wise for each work.

D) Request transfers in the cadre of AO from BSNL CO to other Circles:- We requested to issue the request transfers orders for the Accounts Officers working in BSNL Corporate Office for more than two years. Director (Finance) BSNL Board mentioned that the requirement of Accounts Officers in Corporate Office is being worked out by GM (EF) and all the request transfers will be considered thereafter.

21-08-2019

Revival of BSNL:-

Chairman and GS met the Senior Officers in DoT and enquired about the outcome of the Meeting held in PMO convened by the Principal Secretary to PM Shri Nripendra Misra Ji on 20.08.2019. The queries raised by the Ministry of Finance on Revival Plan of BSNL has been discussed in detail in the meeting wherein Group of Secretaries including Secretary (Telecom) Shri Anshu Prakash ji, CMD BSNL Shri PK Purwar ji were also present. The PMO intervene in the matter to resolve the bottleneck raised by MoF on the proposed revival package of BSNL. It is reliably learnt that after detailed discussions the following decisions have been taken:-

- 1) VRS Package to BSNL Employees.
- 2) The roll out of age from 60 years to 58 years: The roll out of age from 60 years to 58 years in respect of BSNL Employees will be followed by VRS.
- 3) 4G Spectrum allocation to BSNL: Rs.14,000 Crores will be borne by the Govt for 4G Spectrum allocation to BSNL.
- 4) BSNL Land Monetization proposal: The proposal for monetization of BSNL Land, OFC & Towers has been accepted which will be monitored by a Committee consisting of the officers from BSNL, MTNL, DoT and DIPAM.

5) Proposal for SPV for land monetization and merger of BSNL & MTNL is dropped:

Minutes of the Meeting is expected by today evening/ tomorrow morning and accordingly the revised Cabinet Note will be put up to Hon'ble Minister of Communication Shri Ravi Sankar Prasad ji with in day or two for approval and further circulated to the concerned Ministries. It is expected that Cabinet approval for the Revival Package of BSNL will get within the 1st or 2nd week of September 2019, if all the things go smoothly.

It is also reliably learnt that window for VRS Package will be opened for One Month and all the process will be settled within two months.

AIBSNLEA is of the firm opinion that as a stakeholder and one of the Major Recognised Associations in BSNL, we should be called for discussion before finalization of VRS Proposal. As per AIBSNLEA 6th AIC decision, we demand the BSNL Management that the VRS Proposal should be linked with 3rd PRC fitment. AIBSNLEA strongly hope that the BSNL Management will call us for discussion in this regard.

However, as per the 6th AIC decision AIBSNLEA will strongly oppose the move of roll out of retirement age from 60 to 58 years.

21-08-2019

Today Protest Lunch hour Demonstration against the reduction of retirement age from 60 to 58 years was conducted at Telephone Bhavan at the call of AUAB. On behalf of AIBSNLEA/CTD Com. Subhasis Mitra CS, Com. Atanu Majumder VP and Com. Arindam Roy OS & other leaders & members were present. Com. Atanu Majumder VP addressed the gathering at the demonstration.



20-08-2019

GS writes to

(a) Shri P.K.Purwar, CMD, BSNL regarding severe disruption in maintaining day-to-day service in Calcutta Telephone District due to non-payment of JCL (Contractual) Labour Wages. <<<Click here for letter>>>

20-08-2019

Meeting with PGM (Pers.) BSNL CO:-

Chairman, GS, AGS (Finance) & Advisor (HQ) met PGM (Pers.) BSNL CO in the presence of DGM (Pers.) and discussed regarding:-

A) DE to DGM (T) Promotion: We requested to early issuance of DE/AGM(T) to DGM (T) Promotion orders. We pleaded that more than 1140 vacancies are there in the DGM (T) Cadre and all the eligible officers including those who were gone to the various Courts have also been covered within these vacancies and requested to issue the DE to DGM promotion on ad-hoc basis as there is no interim injunction available in this regard. PGM (Pers) assured an early action in this regard.

B) Request transfers in the cadre of DGM (T):- We requested that those who were completed more than two years have not been covered in the transfer list issued by the Corporate Office except the officers attained the age of 59. PGM (Pers) mentioned that the request transfer proposal in respect of the remaining eligible cases has been submitted to the Competent Authority and the orders will be issued after the receipt of the approval.

C) Request transfers in the cadre of DET:- We requested to consider the request transfers in respect of DEs who have completed 2 years or more. PGM (Pers) mentioned that the request transfers are under consideration and will be issued shortly.

D) Request transfers in the cadre of CAO:- We requested to consider the request transfers in respect of CAOs who have completed 2 years or more. PGM (Pers) immediately instructed DGM (Pers) and AGM (Pers) to put up these cases.

E) Consideration of Permission for Deputation: We requested to clear the pending requests of deputation cases. PGM (Pers) mentioned that as per the instructions of CMD BSNL, the draft proposal for deputation is under consideration.

F) Review of existing tenure Policy of NE-II Telecom Circle:- We requested to reduce the period of tenure in Arunachal Pradesh State from two years to one & half years to maintain uniformity with other States of NE-II i.e. Manipur & Nagaland. PGM (Pers) assured to look into the matter.

G) CAO to DGM (F) CPC:- We requested to issue the promotion orders from CAO to DGM (Fin) which is under consideration since long and getting delayed. PGM (Pers) immediately spoken to the CLO BSNL CO as well as directed DGM (Pers) to convene the CPC immediately.

H) Request transfers in the cadre of AO from BSNL CO to other Circles:- We requested to issue the request transfers orders for the Accounts Officers working in BSNL Corporate Office for more than two years. PGM (Pers) mentioned that as per the directions of Director (Finance) BSNL Board, the work study in BSNL CO is being conducted and after the completion of the work, all the request transfers will be considered accordingly.

20-08-2019

AUAB calls Protest Lunch hour Demonstration on 21.08.2019 (tomorrow) against the reduction of retirement age from 60 to 58 years:-

AUAB has reliably learnt that the BSNL Board of Directors meeting is scheduled to be held on 21.08.2019, wherein the agenda of reduction of retirement age of BSNL employees from 60 to 58 is likely to be discussed. We are receiving the news from various sources that the Govt. is considering the proposal of roll out of retirement age of BSNL Employees from 60 to 58. It is totally unwarranted and it is against the assurance given by the Union Cabinet in the year 2000 at the time of Corporatization

of BSNL. All the DoT recruited employees are enjoying the facilities of age of superannuation at 60 years w.e.f. 31.05.1998. In view of this, we have to strongly protest the move of the BSNL Board to reduce the retirement age from 60 to 58.

Hence, AUAB calls upon the entire Executives and Non-Executives of BSNL to hold lunch hour demonstrations on 21.08.2019 (tomorrow) to protest against the proposed move of the BSNL Board to reduce the retirement age from 60 to 58.

20-08-2019

CS writes to GS regarding JCL problems of CTD(see letter)

CS writes to GS regarding regarding some proposals & pending cases.....(see letter)

20-08-2019

CS & CP, AIBSNLEA/CTD along with ACS,BP/Calcutta SSA of AIBSNLEA/WBTC visited EZBC , Saltlake after reorganisation of the section and inclusion with CTD wef 1st June 2019. A new unit body was established there under CTD circle & it has been decided henceforth AIBSNLEA/CTD will look after the problems of members of EZBC with due importance.

CS in his address welcomed the members in the fold of AIBSNLEA/CTD & hope they will continue to strengthen the organisation as per their heritage.

19-08-2019

Meeting with CMD BSNL:-

Chairman, GS and AGS (Finance) met CMD BSNL and discussed regarding:-

A) Immediate Financial assistance to the flood affected Circles: : We requested to allot the funds immediately for Diesel, Labour & Vehicle running expenses so as to ensure uninterrupted BSNL services to the customers of the affected Circles of MH, KRL, KTK & TN. CMD mentioned that he has already given instructions to release some funds to the entire flood affected Circles.

B) Soft Loan to BSNL: We enquired about the immediate financial support from the Govt./ Loan from Banks. CMD informed that today only he has received the information that MOC has approved the Letter of Comfort for availing loan from Banks.

C) Revival of BSNL: CMD mentioned that tomorrow on 20.08.2019, a meeting is convened by the PMO to discuss regarding revival of BSNL. He further mentioned that the comments of the Finance Ministry in respect of the Cabinet Memo for revival of BSNL is pending and it will be discussed in tomorrow's meeting. Only after the receipt of the comments from the concerned Ministries, it will go to Cabinet for final approval.

D) Opening of Separate Account for External/ Govt. Projects:- We requested to give the permission for opening of separate account for External/ Govt. Projects as requested by various Circle Heads/ PCE (Civil) and various Circle Secretaries of AIBSNLEA. CMD BSNL mentioned that he has already cleared the file in this regard.

E) Opening of Escrow Account for NE-II Circle:- We requested CMD BSNL to give permission for opening an Escrow Account for implementation of GST SWAN Network Project at NE-II Circle to the cost of Rs.10 crores since the minimum threshold limit fixed by Corporate Office is Rs.30 crores. CMD assured to look into the matter.

F) To release the fund for Medical Claims:- We submitted that the reimbursement of Medical Claims in respect of BSNL retirees has not been paid for the last two years, but the Income tax has been deducted without making any payment and requested to release the funds. CMD assured to look into the matter.

19-08-2019

Meeting with Director (CM/HR), BSNL Board:-

Chairman, GS and AGS (Finance) met Director (CM/HR), BSNL Board and discussed regarding:-

A) Immediate Financial assistance to the flood affected Circles: We requested to allot the funds immediately for Diesel, Labour & Vehicle running expenses so as to ensure uninterrupted BSNL services to the customers of the affected Circles of MH, KRL, KTK & TN. Director (CM/HR) immediately contacted Sr.GM (BBC) over phone and issued instructions to release the funds immediately.

B) DE to DGM (T) Promotion: We requested to intervene in the matter for promotion orders from DE/AGM (T) to DGM (T) as it has been badly delayed. We pleaded that more than 1140 vacancies are there in the DGM (T) Cadre and the eligible officers are less than that and those who were gone to the various courts have also been covered

within these vacancies, and requested to issue the DE to DGM promotion on ad-hoc basis as there is no interim injunction available in this regard. Director (HR) assured an early action in this regard.

C) Request transfers in the cadre of DGM (T):- We submitted that those who were completed more than two years have not been covered in the transfer orders issued by the Corporate Office except the officers attained the age of 59. Director (CM/HR) assured that the cases will be considered and the orders will be issued shortly.

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E) Consideration of Permission for Deputation: We requested to clear the pending requests of deputation cases. Director (CM/HR) mentioned that as per the instructions of CMD BSNL, the draft proposal for deputation has been prepared and submitted to the Competent Authority for consideration. However, the proposal has been returned with some queries from the CMD BSNL which will be replied shortly.

F) Opening of separate account for External/ Govt. Projects:- We requested to give the permission for opening of separate account for External/ Govt. Projects as requested by various Circle Heads/ PCE (Civil) and various Circle Secretaries of AIBSNLEA. Director (CM/HR) mentioned that file is under submission to the Competent Authority for approval and the orders be issued after the receipt of the approval.

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H) To release the fund for Medical Claims:- We submitted that the reimbursement of Medical Claims in respect of BSNL retirees has not been paid for the last two years, but the Income tax has been deducted without making any payment and requested to release the funds. Director (CM/HR) assured to look into the matter.

16-08-2019

Meeting with Member (Finance), DCC, DoT

Com. S. Sivakumar GS AIBSNLEA along with AGS (Fin) and Advisor (HQ) met Shri. P.K. Sinha Ji Member (Finance) and greeted him on assuming the High office of Member (Finance) in Digital Communications Commission, DoT by presenting Bouquet. AIBSNLEA congratulated the new Member (Finance) and discussed regarding:-

A) Revival of BSNL: We enquired the Member (Fin) regarding the present status of the Revival Package of BSNL. Member (Finance) mentioned that the Cabinet Memo for Revival Plan is under consideration of Finance Ministry and he personally requested the Officers of Finance Ministry for early clearance of the proposal. He also mentioned that DOT is trying to get the Cabinet approval of Revival Package of BSNL before the end of this month.

B) Immediate Financial Support to BSNL:- We further requested for: 1) Extending immediate Financial Support to BSNL for the maintenance of the Services.

2) Refunding of Govt. dues to BSNL viz

a) Interest paid on BWA Spectrum.

b) Excess payment of Pension contribution to the tune of Rs. 2700 Crs.

c) Compensation for Maintenance of 17000 Rural Telephone Exchanges to the tune of Rs.19,000 Crs.

d) And immediate payment of USOF/ ADC charges in the form of the Rural Deficit Charges for the Services provided.

Member (Finance) mentioned that DOT is considering for the immediate Finance Support to BSNL as well as refund of Govt. dues viz., Compensation of Rural Deficit Charges from USO Fund and refund of excess paid Pension Contribution. He also mentioned that a High Level Meeting is scheduled to be held on 19.08.2019. Regarding refund of Pension Contribution, he further mentioned that the Ministry of Expenditure is positive.

C) Extension of Soft Loan to BSNL for its Capital Expenditure till the Monetization of Assets is effected: Member (Finance) mentioned that DOT is considering the Sovereign Guarantee for the grant of Loan to BSNL.

We handed over the copy of the letter addressed to Hon'ble Prime Minister of India in this regard.

D) Immediate Financial Assistance to Flood affected Circles:- We requested the Member (Fin) for immediate allotment of funds to BSNL for the restoration of Services in the flood affected Circles viz., Maharashtra, Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu. We have also handed over the letter in this regard. Member (Fin) mentioned that we are aware of the situation and DOT is considering for immediate necessary support.

[Click here for glimpses>>>](#) [<<<Photo1>>](#) [<<<Photo2>>](#) [<<<Photo3>>>](#)

16-08-2019

GS writes to Shri Narendra Modi Ji, Hon'ble Prime Minister of India regarding immediate Financial Support and grant of Soft Loan to BSNL. [<<<Click here for letter>>>](#)

13-08-2019

BSNL Corporate Office recognized the newly elected CHQ Office bearers of AIBSNLEA in the 6th AIC held at Vijayawada and Confirmation letter issued by the SR Cell of BSNL Corporate Office today. [<<<<Click here for order>>>>](#)

13-08-2019

GS writes to Shri P.K.Purwar, CMD, BSNL regarding review of existing Tenure Areas Stations in NE-II Telecom Circle- [.<<<<Click here for letter>>>>](#)

09-08-2019

CS & AIP Com.Subhasis Mitra attended the meeting of the West Bengal Circle today at C.T.O. Hall, Kolkata. The meeting was presided over by Com.Biswajit Chakraborty Advisor/ CHQ & conducted by Com. Aniruddha Bose CS, AIBSNLEA/WBTC.

OS(E)/CHQ Com.Subinoy Chakraborty was also present. AIP in his speech explained the present position of BSNL , VRS issue & reduction of age of retirement and our stand & resolutions taken in 6th AIC at Vijayawada in detail & requested the members to have faith in AIBSNLEA leadership & remain united.



08-08-2019

GS writes to Shri P K Purwar, CMD, BSNL, New Delhi regarding Resolutions passed in the 6th All India Conference of AIBSNLEA held at Vijayawada from 14.07.2019 to 16.07.2019 [<<<Click here for letter>>>](#)

07-08-2019

Today Lunch Hour Demonstration was conducted at Telephone Bhavan at the call of AUAB for the revival of BSNL. On behalf of AIBSNLEA Com.Tridip Chakraborty,CP Com.Ajoy Kundu ACS,Com. Atanu Mazumder VP & other members were present. Com.Arindam Roy OS addressed the gathering at the demonstration.



06-08-2019

Our CS & AIP Com.Subhasis Mitra along with GS Com.S.Sivakumar attended the felicitation programme arranged jointly by TN & Chennai Circle at Bharathi Ram Kalyana Mandapam, West Mambalam, Chennai on 6th August 2019.

06-08-2019

BSNL Corporate Office issued request transfer & postings orders in the grade of Accounts Officers.

[<<<Click here for orders>>>](#)

05-08-2019

A meeting between AUAB CTD Circle and CTD Management was held today on 5th August, 2019. Sri A N Thakur, Sr. GM (HR/Admn) and Sri L K Baidya, DGM (HR/Admn) on behalf of management and on behalf of AIBSNLEA Com. Tridip Chakraborty, CP, were present in the meeting. After detailed discussion the following informations came out:

1. Authorization to release fund for employees's July Salary came from corporate office today on 5th August.
2. Fund for payment of arrears wages to contract workers has not been released yet. That's why it has been demanded that another reminder letter to be written to corporate office for release fund and at the same time CGM CTD has to meet CMD for the fund JCLs payment and management agreed.
3. Management of CTD Circle has to work pro actively in favour of BSNL company and regular and non regular employees also. Sri A N Thakur, Sr. GM (HR/ Admn) gave patient hearing about it and said that it would be looked into.

03-08-2019

AUAB CTD Circle meeting was held today on 3rd August, 2019 at RJCM room. On behalf of AIBSNLEA Com. Subhasis Mitra, CS, and Com. Tridip Chakraborty, President, were present in the meeting. After detailed discussion by all the members present in the meeting the following decisions were taken.

1. On the 7th August, 2019 at 1330 hours demonstration will be conducted at the call of AUAB at Telephone Bhawan. All the active workers and organizers of AUAB should participate in this programme.
2. AUAB CTD leadership will meet Sr.GM(HR/Admn) on 5th August, 2019 for restoration of working environment in CTD.

03-08-2019

All BSs are requested to organise GB about 6th AIC reporting within 15th August positively. COBs will be present at that meeting. Please do it for the sake of gaining faith of the members.

03-08-2019

A GB Meeting for reporting of 6th AIC at Vijayawada & present position was held on 02-08-2019 at 8, Hare Street Club Room. The Hall was jam packed by the members from all over CTD. Com.Maitrayee Ghosh VP presided over & Com. Atanu Mazumder VP conducted the meeting.

At first our CS Com.Subhasis Mitra & CP Com.Tridip Chakraborty were felicitated for being elected as President/ AIBSNLEA, CHQ & Advisor (E) /CHQ respectively.

Com.Debabrata Dey (South Branch) ,Com.Bikash Singha (TB Branch), Com.Arindam Roy (TBZ Branch), & Com.Subhasish Pal (Central Branch) shared their experience at AIC with the audience. Com.Debasis Halder (North Branch) expressed his inability to attend AIC due to some family problem & greeted AIP & Advisor (E).

CP delivered a brief note of the proceedings of AIC & requested CS to elaborate his experience & information of meeting with CMD & other senior officers at BSNL CO .

CS in his lively deliberation shared his experience in meetings & informed that at present , as stated by CMD Mr. P.K Purwar, BSNL is facing severe financial crunch & Govt. is in the pursuit to revive it. Govt. has no plan to wind up/ privatise this Organisation. 75% of the revenue is consumed for the salary so extra burden of employee has to be shed off. That is why Govt. is proposing VRS & roll out of 58yrs as the age of retirement. 4G spectrum will be given to BSNL without any cost liability. But actually in his opinion CS explained it is the motto of the GOI " To run a business is not a business of the Govt. " For that reason Govt. is trying to curtail our hard earned facilities & downsize BSNL by floating VRS , which is actually a sugar coated Quinine , we should not fall in the prey of this sinister tactics. AIBSNLEA is not opposing VRS directly but vehemently protesting the proposal of lowering the age of retirement as it is a direct encroachment of the promise by the Govt. in the Presidential Order at the time of absorption.

In an inter active session CS replied the queries raised by members . Com. Susmita Nag President TBZ Branch put forth a relevant point whether the optee for VRS will be allowed to come back at their parent circle to avoid future complications. CS appreciated her concern & informed that he will write a letter to GS/ CHQ for suitable clarification.

CS also thanked our young comrades for organising the GB in a grand manner & the members for being present in large numbers inspite of bad weather



02-08-2019

[AUAB calls on to organise Lunch Hour Demonstrations and Gate Meetings on 07-08-2019:](#) A meeting of the AUAB was held yesterday the 01.08.2019, at NFTE's office, New Delhi. The meeting was presided over by Com. S. Sivakumar, General Secretary, AIBSNLEA. General Secretaries / Representatives of BSNLEU, NFTE, SNEA, AIBSNLEA, AIGETOA, BSNL MS, BSNL ATM, TEPU and BSNLOA attended. The meeting expressed it's extreme unhappiness that the Unions and Associations of BSNL are being completely kept in the dark, with regards to the so called revival package of

BSNL. The meeting also expressed its deep concern about the deterioration of BSNL's services due to lack of working capital. The meeting took serious exception to the repressive measures being taken by the BSNL Management, to deny legitimate trade union activities in BSNL. After serious discussions, the meeting decided to organise countrywide lunch hour demonstrations and gate meetings on 07.08.2019, on the following demands:-

Demands:

1) Honour the commitments given by the Union Cabinet in the year 2000, to ensure BSNL's financial viability.

(a) Extend immediate financial support to BSNL, for the maintenance of the services.

(b) Extend soft loan to BSNL for its capital expenditures.

2) Remove the total ban imposed on capital expenditure by BSNL. Allow field units to carry out capital expenditure, where revenue is assured.

3) No retrenchment. Honour the commitment given on job security at the time of formation of BSNL.

4) Stop repressive actions for even legitimate trade union activities.

All the Branch Secretaries of AIBSNLEA are requested to effectively organise the lunch hour demonstration and gate meeting, by coordinating with the other constituents of the AUAB.

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01-08-2019

AIBSNLEA Congratulated and Felicitated the New Secretary (Telecom) Shri Anshu Prakash on assuming the High Office of Secretary (Telecom) :

Com. Prahlad Rai, Chairman and GS, AIRBSNLEWA and GS, AIBSNLEA Congratulated and Felicitated New Secretary (Telecom) Shri Anshu Prakash on assuming the High Office of the Secretary (Telecom) today. On the issue of Revival of BSNL / MTNL Secretary (T) mentioned that DoT has finalized the Cabinet Memo and has been sent to all the concerned Nodal Ministries for comments during last week and after receiving the comments, it will be sent to the Cabinet for consideration and approval. The Salient features of the Cabinet Memo were confirmed by the Secretary (T) during discussion as under:-

1) **4G Spectrum allocation to BSNL/MTNL:** 4G Spectrum will be allocated to BSNL/MTNL.

2) **VRS Package to BSNL/MTNL employees:** VRS Package to BSNL/MTNL employees who are attaining the Age of 50 & above wherein they will get 25% more towards Ex-gratia and Ex-gratia will be paid in cash as detailed below.

a) The Employees opting VRS will get cash payment of Ex- gratia amount in single go or maximum 5 instalments on optional basis for availing Income Tax benefit.

b) The formula for VRS Package is (Ex-gratia+Pension) or 125% of the salary, whichever is less.

c) The Employees having 56b years of and having 4 years left out service will get full Salary benefits.

d) Leave Encashment & Pension (without Commutation) will be paid at the time of VRS but the Gratuity and Commutation Value of Pension Payment will be deferred till they attain the age of Superannuation (i.e., 60 Years) or after 5 years. During the intervening period from the date of VRS to the date of attain the age of 60 Years, Employees will get interest @ 8% on their Gratuity amount.

3) **The roll out of age from 60 years to 58 years:** After implementation of VRS, the roll out of age from 60 years to 58 years in respect of BSNL/MTNL employees will be effective from 01.01.2020.

4) **Merger of BSNL & MTNL:** The debts of BSNL/MTNL will be transferred to the Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) created for this purpose and after zero debt of both the Companies BSNL and MTNL will be merged. The Special Purpose Vehicle will take care of the Capital expenditure of the Company.

5) **Monetization of Assets of BSNL/MTNL:** Monetization of Assets of BSNL/MTNL will be done by the respective PSUs in consultation with the Committee being formed with the approval of the Hon'ble MOC which will have DoT/BSNL/MTNL/DIPAM Officers and the funds will be utilized only for BSNL/MTNL.

6) **Financial Support to BSNL:** Financial Support will be given to BSNL towards the Maintenance Expenditure of Rural Exchanges.

July '2019 Salary disbursement to BSNL Employees: Secretary (T) further mentioned that Rs.500 Crs will be released to BSNL towards the Salary disbursement of July ' 2019.

We requested the Secretary(T) to consider the 3rd PRC fitment benefits to the BSNL Employees in the Revival Package and delinking of Pension Revision with the 3rd PRC as assured by him during the discussions had with him on 6th February' 2019. Secretary (T) mentioned that at present Govt. is not ready for 3rd PRC fitment benefits. However, he mentioned that this issue will be considered separately after BSNL starts to turn around.

He appealed for extending our co-operation and support during this critical period.

01-08-2019

The following comrades of AIBSNLEA/CTD retired due to superannuation on 31-07-2019.

1) Com.Ghanashyam Das ,CAO/CMTS -Member of Central Branch

2)Com.Arun Kumar Das,AOTR/EB-VI -Member of TB Branch

3)Com.Ajit Kr Halder SDE/Staff/BDN -Member of North Branch (Has taken Voluntary Retirement)

We wish all the comrades happy, healthy, peaceful & active life after retirement.