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To Shri P. K. Purwar, CMD, BSNL New Delhi -110001.

Sub: Conduct of 2<sup>nd</sup> MVP – Difficulties in Canvassing and exercising of votes by Executives - reg.

Ref: 1) AIBSNLEA/TN/Corr./Finance/2019-20/ dated at Thanjavur the 20.07.2020

2) BSNL CO, ND Lr.No: BSNL/5-2/SR/2019 dt.30.06.2020

## Respected Sir.

Kindly find enclosed herewith the letter received from the Circle Secretary, TN Circle addressed to CGM, TN Circle regarding difficulties in Canvassing and exercising of votes by Executives in the 2<sup>nd</sup> MVP due to Lock down extended on sixth phase up to the end of July-2020 and the Chennai Mahanagar Police Commissioner has announced that 144-Curfew will be in force in Chennai for another two months, ie upto the end of Sep-2020 and to move from one District to another District e-Pass is required from the District Collector concerned.

Further he mentioned that the council of Doctors has recommended to extend the Lock-down in 14 Districts of Tamilnadu including Chennai, beyond July-2020 also due to the increase of Communal (virus)spread. In Tamilnadu Telecom Circle, most of the SSAs/BAs are covering three or four Revenue Districts. For Example:

- a. Madurai BA covers Madurai, Dindigul and Theni Revenue Districts.
- b. Karaikudi SSA consists of Ramanathapuram and Sivaganga Districts.
- c. Kumbakonam SSA is spread over Thanjavur, Mayiladuthurai, Nagapattinam & Cuddalore Districts. Karaikal under Pondicherry U/T is also coming under KMB SSA.
- d. Thanjavur BA covers Thanjavur, Tiruvarur and Nagapattinam Districts.

Hence an Executive has to travel for more than 70/80/100/120/140 KMs to reach the SSA/BA Head Quarters for exercising the vote on 18.8.2020 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> MVP during this pandemic situation, will be very cumbersome due to non-availability of public Transport and also a life threat due to Communal Virus spread.

Conduct of any election should give fair chances to the Contesting Associations and conducive atmosphere to the voters. Due to the Covid-19 epidemic situation and Communal Spread, we fears that only 30% to 35% Votes only will be polled in 2<sup>nd</sup> MVP. It is very difficult for the Office bearers of the Association at Circle/District level to organize Campaigns/ Meetings due to Communal Virus spread and non availability of Public Transport.

In this situation, if the 2<sup>nd</sup> Membership Verification is conducted it will be like playing with the life of the Executives of BSNL for the sake of the Ego of the Management which BSNL is no way benefitted. We also doubting that whether the 2<sup>nd</sup> Membership Verification will be conducted in free and fair manner and It is not fair on the part of the BSNL management to stick on to the decision of conducting 2<sup>nd</sup> MVP at the cost of the life of the Executives.

Circle Secretary, Tamilnadu Circle requested the Tamilnadu Circle Administration with a copy to the GS, AIBSNLEA to kindly highlight the facts to BSNL Corporate Office, New Delhi explaining the abnormal situation in Tamilnadu

With kind regards.

Yours Sincerely,

(S.Sivakumar)
General Secretary

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Copy for kind information and necessary action to:

1. Shri. Aravind Vadnerkar, Director (HR), BSNL Board New Delhi- 110001.

2.Shri A.M.Gupta, GM (SR), BSNL CO, New Delhi- 110001.