

***Decisions of the meeting of the Core Committee of the Forum of BSNL Unions and Associations.***

A meeting of the Core Committee of the Forum of BSNL Unions and Associations was held today the 14.10.2016, in Room No.706 of BSNL Corporate Office. Com. Prahlad Rai, GS, AIBSNLEA, presided over the meeting. The following decisions were taken unanimously:-

- (1) It is learnt that the government is moving fast in the direction of forming BSNL's Subsidiary Tower Company, which will be detrimental to the future of BSNL. Hence, the meeting decided to conduct demonstrations on 26.10.2016, at the Corporate Office, circle and district levels, opposing formation of the Subsidiary Tower Company. The future course of action on this issue will be decided in the next meeting of the Forum, to be held on 17.11.2016.
- (2) As regards improving the financial viability of BSNL, the meeting appreciated the Management and the entire employees, since BSNL continues to give the highest number of mobile connections every month. The meeting noted with satisfaction that BSNL has given 23 lakh mobile connections in September, 2016. The meeting called upon the Non-Executives and Executives to take all out efforts to further increase the sales and revenue of the Company, ***since this year's financial results will be very crucial for the forthcoming Wage Revision.*** The meeting also urged upon the employees to take best efforts to provide good quality services to the customers, by maintaining the networks fault-free. As regards chalking out action programme to face the challenges thrown by the entry of Reliance Jio, it is decided to hold a full-fledged meeting of the Forum on 17.11.2016, and to discuss the issue.
- (3) 'Telecom Live', a monthly journal on Telecom Sector, is continuously printing articles and materials, maligning BSNL and tarnishing it's image, at the behest of 'vested interests'. Hence, today's meeting decided to conduct a lunch hour demonstration at BSNL Corporate Office on 17.11.2016, condemning Telecom Live. It is also decided in the meeting, to write a complaint to the Press Council of India, against Telecom Live.
- (4) BSNL Management and the employees are taking great efforts for reviving the Company. These efforts have started yielding good results. However, the meeting observed with regret that, the DoT, which is expected to support BSNL, is actually taking decisions against BSNL. Hence, it is decided in the meeting, to write a detailed letter to shri Manoj Sinha, Hon'ble Minister of State for Communications, explaining the efforts being taken by the BSNL Management and it's employees for the revival of the Company, as well as about the decisions and actions of the DoT, against BSNL.