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BSNLEU/510 (T&P)

To,

Shri P.K. Purwar CMD BSNL, Bharat Sanchar Bhawan, H.C. Mathur Lane, Janpath, New Delhi – 110 001

Sir,

Sub: - <u>Implementation of the DoP&T order in the case of requests for transfer under Rule-8 to join the spouse - reg.</u>

Ref: - (1) DoP&T letter no. No.DOPT-1669289899529 ESTT.(Estt. A-IV) dated 24.11.2022.

(2) BSNL letter no. 5-21/2009-Pers.IV dated 13.02.2009

With reference to the letters cited above, we would like to bring the following for favour of your consideration.

Vide letter cited under reference (1), the DoP&T has issued detailed guidelines directing the Central Government Departments, as well as the Central PSU Managements to make it mandatory to post the husband and wife in the same station. The BSNL Management also, vide letter cited under reference (2), has issued direction to the Heads of the Telecom Circles, stating that, "As far as possible and within the constraints of administrative feasibility, request for posting of husband and wife at the same station shall be considered, if the employee's spouse is serving in Central / State Government or a Public Sector Undertaking (PSU)".

However, despite the issuing of clear cut directions by the DoP&T and also by the BSNL Management, the Directly Recruited JEs are not getting transfers under Rule-8, despite their spouses working in the Central Government Department / State Government Department/ Public Sector Undertaking. Importantly, the request for transfer under Rule-8 are being rejected in case where the applicants are seeking transfer to the circles categorised by the Management as 'Surplus Circles'.

While the Government of India has attached utmost importance to the enhancement of women's status in all walks of life and to enable them to lead a normal family life as also to ensure the education and welfare of the children, it is unfortunate that the BSNL Management is not considering the transfer requests of the JEs to the circles categorised as 'Surpuls Circle'.

In view of the foregoing, we earnestly appeal to you to kindly revisit the issue. We appeal to you that, the requests of the JEs for transfer under Rule-8 on 'spouse grounds', even to the circles categorised as 'Surplus Circles', may kindly be considered.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely

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