## Co-ordination Committee of BSNLEU, AIBDPA and BSNL CCWF

CoC/6/2022 10<sup>th</sup> September, 2022

To,

- (1) Shri P.K. Purwar,
  Chairman & Managing Director,
  Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd.,
  Bharat Sanchar Bhawan,
  H.C. Mathur Lane,
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- (2) Shri K. Rajaraman,
  Secretary, Telecom,
  Department of Telecommunications,
  Ministry of Communications,
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Sir,

Sub: - Organising Human Chain programme on 14.09.2022 against National Monetisation Pipeline and demanding the government to remove the road blocks created in the launching of BSNL's 4G service – reg.

The Government has decided to hand over BSNL's 14,917 mobile towers to the private, under the National Monetisation Pipeline. Action is being taken on a fast track basis by the BSNL Management, to implement this decision. In the last year's budget (2021-2022) it is clearly stated that, the Government will earn Rs.40,000 crore by way of handing over the mobile towers and optic fibre of BSNL and MTNL, to the private. Thus, it becomes clear that, the government will go ahead of handing over of BSNL's optic fibre also to the private. If BSNL's mobile towers and optic fibre are handed over to the private, then BSNL has to pay money to use it's own mobile towers and optic fibre. This will further weaken BSNL. In the similar way, the government is also handing over the valuable assets of the nation, to the private, as per the National Monetisation Pipeline.

It is only because of the road blocks created by the Government, BSNL has not been able to launch it's 4G service. Initially, the Government stalled the upgradation of BSNL's 49,300 BTSs, for providing 4G service. Subsequently, the Government directed that, BSNL should procure it's 4G equipments only from Indian vendors. This is nothing but denial of level playing ground to BSNL, since all the private telecom service providers are procuring world class 4G / 5G equipments from global vendors.

The Coordination Committee of BSNL Employees Union (BSNLEU), All India BSNL and DoT Pensioners Association (AIBDPA) and the BSNL Casual Contract Workers Federation (BSNLCCWF), has decided to organise Human Chain programme throughout the country on 14.09.2022, on the following demands:-

- (1) Immediately cancel the National Monetisation Pipeline, including the proposal to hand over BSNL's mobile towers and optic fibre.
- (2) Remove the roadblocks created in the launching of BSNL's 4G service.
  - (a) Allow upgradation of BSNL's equipments.
  - **(b)** Allow BSNL to procure equipments from global vendors at par with the private telecom service providers.
  - (c) Ensure level playing ground to BSNL.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

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