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To,

**Shri P.K. Purwar,**  
**CMD BSNL**  
**Bharat Sanchar Bhawan,**  
**Janpath, New Delhi – 110 001**

Sir,

Sub: - **Requesting to release funds for payment of contract workers' wages - req.**

Kindly recollect the discussions that we have already had with you on several occasions, on the subject mentioned above.

The wages of contract workers in BSNL have not been paid for the last ten months. Time and again, BSNLEU has approached the Management with the demand to make payment of the wage arrears.

In this connection, we like to draw your kind attention to the fact that, the Government of India has issued several instructions, regarding payment of wages of the contract workers. These instructions are issued in the backdrop of restrictions being issued to contain the spread of Corona Virus.

While the Labour Ministry instruction emphasises that contract workers should not suffer from wage loss on account of Lay-offs and Lock-outs, the Finance Ministry direction insists that the contract workers should not be denied of their wages, on account of their inability to attend work, due to the lock-down.

The instructions of the Labour Ministry and Finance Ministry only underscore the fact that, the contract workers belong to an economically vulnerable section and hence need to be taken care of, especially when the country is locked-down for a prolonged period of 21 days.

In view of the forgoing, we once again implore upon you to empathise with the sufferings of the contract workers and arrange to immediately release the funds required for payment of wage arrears of the contract workers.

Thanking you,

*Yours sincerely,*

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