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**BSNLEU/113(STRIKE)**

**22.10.2020**

To,

**Com.N.D. Ram,**  
**General Secretary, SEWA BSNL,**  
**D-3, Atul Grove Road,**  
**Behind Eastern Court,**  
**Janpath, New Delhi -110 001**

Comrade,

Sub: - **Appeal to join the General Strike on 26.11.2020- req.**

We wish to bring the following to your kind notice, for favour of necessary action.

You are aware that, even one year after the announcement of BSNL's Revival Package, the financial position of BSNL has not witnessed any substantial improvement. This is because, BSNL has not been able to launch its 4G service till date. The tender floated by BSNL has been treacherously cancelled by the government. We are of the strong view that, cancellation of BSNL's 4G tender, is part of the overall strategy of the government to demolish the public sector.

It is an undeniable fact that, the Modi government has taken massive steps to privatise the public sector, as well as the departmental undertakings such as Indian Railways, the Defence Ordnance Factories, etc. The government has decided to make an outright sale of the BPCL, which gives the government Rs.8,000 crore annually, by way of dividend alone. Decision is already taken by the government to sell 25% of the shares of the LIC, which is a major step towards its privatisation. The Finance Minister has already announced that, only 5 Public Sector Banks will remain and all the other PSU banks would be privatised. Undoubtedly, as the next step, these 5 PSU Banks will also be privatised.

Similarly, major steps have been taken by the government to handover the Coal mines, electricity, Airports, Ports, etc. to the Indian and Foreign corporates. The Labour Law Amendments recently passed by the Parliament, have taken away the hard-won workers' rights, as well as trade union rights. All these are being done to ensure the "ease of doing business", being prescribed by the World Bank and the IMF.

There can be no two opinions that, BSNL cannot remain as a Public Sector Company, when the entire public sector of the country is demolished. Hence, to retain BSNL as a Public Sector Company, the rest of the public sector needs to be protected.

It is with this purpose that, the 10 Central Trade Unions have called for a General Strike on 26.11.2020. In BSNL, we are glad to inform that BSNLEU, NFTE BSNL, FNTU, BSNL MS, SNATTA, ATM, TEPU and BSNL OA have decided to join this strike, by including BSNL specific issues like immediate launching of BSNL's 4G service, implementation of 3rd PRC, SAB of DR employees and other issues.

In view of the foregoing, we earnestly implore upon you to kindly take a positive decision to join the strike.

Thanking you,

*Yours fraternally,*

**[P. Abhimanyu]**  
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