

ALL UNIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS OF BSNL (AUAB)

No: UA/2018/50

06.12.2018

To,

**Shri Narendra Modi ji,
Hon'ble Prime Minister,
Government of India,
South Block, Raisina Hill,
New Delhi - 110 011**

Respected Sir,

Sub: - **Unlawful detention of two BSNL officers by the Jharkhand police – requesting to take appropriate action – req.**

We wish to bring to your kind notice that, two BSNL officers belonging to the Dumka district of Jharkhand, have been unlawfully detained by the police on 04.12.2018. The two officers, one being a Divisional Engineer and the other being a Sub-Divisional Engineer, are unlawfully detained in the police station for more than 5 hours. They have been abused and ill-treated in the police station.

As per media reports (copy enclosed), the detention of the two BSNL officers has been made, based on the complaint of the Jharkhand Chief Minister, about the poor quality of BSNL's service in Dumka. The detention of the two BSNL officers by the Jharkhand police, is a clear violation of human rights, as well as the law of the land. The BSNL employees throughout the country are genuinely agitated over the high-handed action of the Jharkhand police.

We are prompted to bring this incident to the notice of the Hon'ble Prime Minister because, the police is merely a tool in this violation of human right, and the actual perpetrator of the crime is the Chief Minister of Jharkhand, at the behest of which the police have acted. It is not out of place to bring to your kind notice that, there is wide spread discontentment about the quality of services being provided by various telecom service providers. It is important to note that except BSNL, all other service providers belong to the private sector.

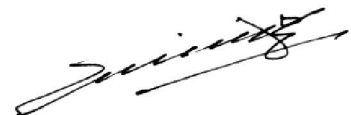
Shri Ravi Shankar Prasad ji, the erstwhile Hon'ble Minister of Telecommunications had raised his voice a number of times, about the poor quality of telecommunication services being provided by the private service providers. Even the Hon'ble Prime Minister has recently raised his concern over the poor quality of telecommunication services in the country. Everyone will agree that BSNL alone cannot be held responsible for this state of affairs.

In the backdrop of the above stated circumstances, we wish to bring the unlawful detention of the two BSNL officers, at the behest of the Chief Minister of Jharkhand, to your kind notice. On behalf of the entire BSNL employees, we request that appropriate and expeditious action should be taken against the perpetrators of the crime.

Thanking you,
Yours sincerely,



**Com. Chandeshwar Singh
Chairman, AUAB.**



**Com. P. Abhimanyu
Convenor, AUAB.**

Encl: As above.

Copy to: (1) Shri Rajnath Singh, Hon'ble Home Minister, New Delhi.
(2) Shri Manoj Sinha ji, Hon'ble Minister of State for Communications, New Delhi.
(3) Ms. Aruna Sundararajan, Secretary, Telecom, New Delhi.
(4) Shri Anupam Shrivastava, CMD BSNL, New Delhi.