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To,  
Sri Narendra Modi Ji,  
Honourable Prime Minister of India,  
New Delhi.

Sub: Speeding up the process of approving Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) plan, that was already approved by DoT which can allow airwaves to the fourth-largest telco in the country – Requested –Reg.

Respected Sir,

As you already know that the Department of Telecommunications (DoT) has approved the state-owned Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) plan that seeks airwaves in the 2100 Mhz band to launch fourth-generation (4G) services pan-India. In 2017, BSNL has submitted a detailed project report and in a bid to acquire spectrum worth about Rs 13,885 crore, and sought Rs 6,652 crore as equity infusion from the government while it initially wanted to meet the remaining cost through revenue it would generate over a period of 10 years. Meanwhile, the Telecom Commission, a highest telecom policy making body has extended the duration for spectrum payments from 10 to 16 years now, after an inter-ministerial group's (IMG) recommendation.

In this Digital world not allocating 4G Spectrum to state run PSU like BSNL is not fair on the part of the Government of India. Whereas the private players are making technological advances in the wake of Jio's pure-play 4G foray in September 2016.

I have received petitions from BSNL customers, more particularly youth, stating that, BSNL services are not up to the mark when compared to other service providers in the existing Market.

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On behalf of ALL UNIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS OF BSNL (AUAB) TELANGANA CIRCLE, KARIMNAGAR and all the BSNL workers in the country, I would also request you to address the following issues.

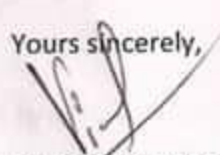
- 1) Payment of pension contribution by BSNL as per the Government Rule.
- 2) Approval of BSNL's Land Management Policy without any delay. Expeditiously complete the mutation and the process of transferring of all assets to BSNL.
- 3) a) Ensure financial viability of BSNL, as per the decision taken by the Group of Ministers, at the time of formation of BSNL. b) Issue Letter of comfort for BSNL'S proposals for taking bank loans.
- 4) Scrap BSNL's outsourcing for the operation and maintenance of its mobile towers.
- 5) Revise pension for 2 lakhs BSNL retirees with effect of 01.01.2017, delinking pension revision from pay revision.
- 6) Implementation of 3<sup>rd</sup> Pay Revision for BSNL employees and
- 7) Settlement of the left out issues of the second pay revision committee.

I would also like to bring it to your notice that the DoT is not implementing any of the assurances given by the Honourable Minister. So I solicit your kind intervention in addressing the above mentioned issues.

While enclosing the detailed petition of All Unions and Associations of BSNL (AUAB) Telangana circle, I request the Honourable Prime Minister kindly to look into the issue and speed up the process of approving Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) plan that was already approved by Department of Telecommunications (DoT) which can allow airwaves to the fourth-largest telco in the country and also look in to the various issues faced by the BSNL employees.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

  
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