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To,

Shri P.K. Purwar,  
CMD BSNL,  
Bharat Sanchar Bhawan,  
H.C. Mathur Lane,  
Janpath, New Delhi – 110 001

Sir,

Sub: - Merger of the telecom factories and creating a single Telecom Factory Circle - reg.

Ref: - **BSNL CO. letter No.600-02/BSNL/CA&ERP-FICO/Merger/19-20/04 dated 17.01.2020.**

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

Vide it's letter number cited under reference, the Corporate Office has issued a letter, merging the telecom factories to their respective Territorial Circles. Accordingly, Telecom Factory, Mumbai, has been merged with Maharashtra circle and Telecom Factory, Kolkata, has been merged with West Bengal circle. The Telecom Factories of Jabalpur, Richhai and Bhilai have been merged with Madhya Pradesh circle.

We demand that, instead of merging the telecom factories with their respective Territorial Circles, a single Telecom Factory Circle should be created, by merging all the telecom factories to it. In this regard, we also wish to draw the following to your kind attention. The telecom factories are the jewels of BSNL, having the potential to manufacture various equipments and stores required by the Company.

However, it is unfortunate that, the attitude of the Management had always been negative to these in-house production units of BSNL. In fact, even earlier, a good number of unscrupulous officers had retarded the growth of telecom factories, by opting to procure stores and equipments from private entities, instead of procuring from the telecom factories, due to 'obvious' reasons. For instance, many circles ventured to procure sub-standard quality of drop wire from private companies, rather than procuring the good quality drop wire, manufactured by the telecom factories. Thus, it is needless to state that, the telecom factories had always been treated with a step-motherly attitude by the BSNL Management.

BSNLEU has always demanded that, the telecom factories should be strengthened, so as to cut down the wasteful expenditure, caused by way of procuring equipments and stores from outside agencies. A case in point is the capability of manufacturing SIM cards by our Mumbai Telecom Factory. Even today, many equipments and materials could be produced by our telecom factories and thereby improve the quality of service, as well as cut down the expenditure.

We have every reason to believe that, the present BSNL Management had taken the decision to merge the telecom factories with their respective telecom circles, only with the ultimate objective of closing them down and to sell out the vast stretches of lands, that the telecom factories are having. This is nothing but selling away the family silver.

BSNLEU will strongly oppose any move that will be made by the Management to close down the telecom factories. Instead, we demand that, they should be rejuvenated. Merging all the telecom factories together and creating a single Telecom Factory Circle, will greatly help in the better administration, as well as revival of the telecom factories. We request you to kindly consider our demand in the right perspective and to take the needful steps at the earliest.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

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