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To All Affiliates (Please Circulate)

Dear Comrade,

INDEFINITE STRIKE CALL BY ALL UNIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS OF BSNL (AUAB) - FRATERNAL SUPPORT

All Unions & Associations of BSNL (AUAB), umbrella Organization of Trade Unions of BSNL has called for a nationwide indefinite strike from 3rd December, 2018 demanding Implementation of 3rd Pay Revision, Allotment of 4G Spectrum to BSNL, Revision of Pension, Payment of Pension Contribution and certain other issues concerning their Pay & Pension. One of the crucial demands is about non-allotment of 4G Spectrum to BSNL (but to other private players!!). This is a sinister design to out-date the BSNL and to hand over them to private sector in the garb of profitability!

2. Comrades, though it may appear that the issues pertain to BSNL personnel, it is not just that it affects only the BSNL. This is an indication of the bent of mind on the part of powers that be. These are the attacks on the very public sector fabric of Institutions. It is a methodical and pre-meditated actions and inactions to send the Public Sector Undertakings and Institutions to guillotine. Government is deliberately, consciously linking salary of personnel to profit. Similar approach is seen in our wage revision also. This is an anti people move on the part of the government to hog-tie the PSUs/PSBs, make them weak, demoralise and eventually hand over them to greedy private sector. This is an age-old game – *to call the dog mad to kill it*. Comrades, this is a wild fire. If we do not compel them to desist from this kind of order, sooner or later entire PSUs/PSBs will be engulfed. The private sector, ever hungry for profits, will then control the entire economy at the cost of the interest of the country.

3. AIBOC has obviously been vociferous in protecting the public sector character of PSBs & PSUs and is spearheading a strong movement to bring Officers' organisations of Public Sector Undertakings, PSU Enterprises, Railways, BSNL, MTNL and other Government organisations under one umbrella through the formation of the All India Public Sector and Central Government Officers' Confederation (AIPCOC). AIBOC has also been in the forefront of waging a battle against the ill attempts to destabilise and dismantle the public sector character of PSBs and PSUs of the Country. In the light of this, it is the responsibility of all trade unions in the country that we should extend fraternal support to any movement, which opposes the attempts to attack PSUs/PSBs.

4. We, therefore, call upon all our Affiliates to extend fraternal support to the agitational program called by AUAB. Affiliates may please enjoin upon their members to:-

- Visit offices/places of demonstration, to encourage and extend moral support during lunch time or after office hours.
- Actively participate in Dharnas/Demonstrations/Protests organised by AUAB across the country during lunch time or after office hours.

Let us join the movement with all gusto and vigour. If we do not protect PSBs/PSUs, no one else will!!!

With vibrant greetings,

Comradely yours,

Soumya Datta
General Secretary