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To

Dr. Manmohan Singh,
Hon'ble Prime Minister of India,
New Delhi

Sub: Search Committee for selecting Chairman, BSNL – reg

Hon'ble Sir,

We welcome with a sense of relief, the formation of a search committee headed by the Cabinet Secretary Shri K M Chandrasekar, for selecting an eminent industry person to be the Chairman of BSNL and a separate Managing Director and CEO, since it was reported earlier that DoT is dragging its feet in formation of the Committee on the plea that this would delay the process of installing the Head of the organization.

2. We are thankful that the PMO has intervened at the right time directing DoT to kick start the process for inducting professional managers to manage the affairs of BSNL. In fact, this was one of the major points raised by us in our letter addressed to you on 11.01.2010 (Copy enclosed). Since the present CMD of BSNL is retiring this month, there is an urgent need to complete the selection process early. Efforts to derail or at least delay the process have already started by way of representations from some Associations in BSNL. One Association has even demanded selection of CMD from ITS grade, forgetting and hiding the facts and the bitter experience of the past, wherein the unprofessional handling of affairs of BSNL by this group is mainly responsible for the present gradual and steady downfall of BSNL in all respects. Another Association, we find, has raised some issues about the constitution of the committee, which we feel is just a ploy to help the ITS officers in getting this all important issue of selection of capable and best professional Chairman to head BSNL delayed.

3. We would, therefore, like to reiterate our firm view expressed in our letter cited above, that professional managers are to be urgently inducted at all levels in BSNL by withdrawing all those officers who are unwilling to get absorbed in BSNL to avoid responsibility and ensuring personal job security.

4. We, therefore, request that it may kindly be ensured that the Committee selects the new Chairman of and also that professional managers alone are inducted at all levels at the earliest, without the need to have any stop-gap arrangement for the post of CMD BSNL.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,



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General Secretary

Encl: As stated

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