

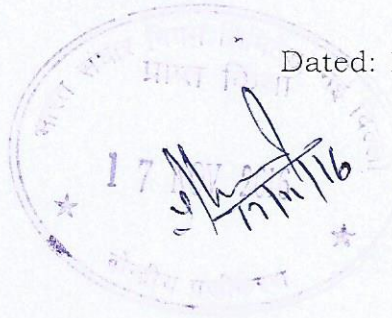
FEDERATION OF BSNL EXECUTIVES' ASSOCIATIONS

No. FBEA/Corr/2016/5

Dated: 16th November 2016

To

Shri A. M. Gupta,
General Manager (SR),
BSNL Corporate Office,
New Delhi



Subject: Holding of 1st membership verification of Executive Associations - Appointment of AROs, Presiding Officers and Polling Officers - regarding

Ref: 1. BSNL CO letter No. BSNL/5-1/SR/2016 dated 10.11.2016

2. BSNL CO letter No. BSNL/5-1/SR/2016 dated 1.8.2016 uploaded on 21.10.2016

Sir,

This is with reference to the instructions circulated vide letters under reference regarding appointing of Assistant Returning Officers, Presiding Officers and Polling Officers.

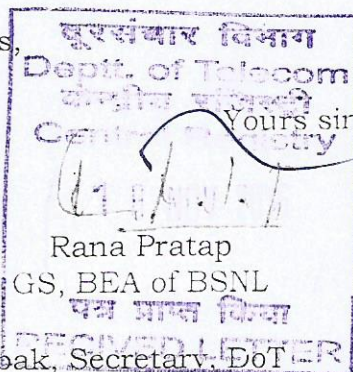
2. While the letter under reference 2 dated 1.8.2016 but was uploaded in the intranet on 21.10.2016 provides for appointment of any DGM or STS level officer, who is neither office bearer of any Association nor their active member. We are not aware of availability of any yardsticks to decide whether an executive is an active member of an association or not. Being member of an association itself indicates that an executive favours that association, whether he is active or not active. Many a times silent members have more aggressive and partisan views.

The letter under Ref.1 above provides for appointment of SDE or its equivalent as Presiding Officers and JTO and equivalents as Polling Officers. DE or equivalent will be the head of counting team SDE/JTO equivalent will be members of the counting team. Unlike in the case of Asst. Returning Officers, here there are no restrictions in appointing even office bearers and active members of an association.

3. These instructions lack even the basic tenets of fairness and will vitiate the entire election process. These instructions further reinforce our apprehensions that BSNL does not intend to hold the election in a fair and free manner. We therefore lodge our strong protest against these instructions enabling BSNL Executives who are themselves voters in this election and members of one or other associations, to be appointed as Assistant Returning Officers, Presiding Officers, Polling Officers and Head and members of the counting teams. We hereby convey in clear terms that this is not acceptable.

With kind regards,

Rakesh Sethi
GS, AIBSNLOA



Yours sincerely,

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