

**Resolutions passed in the Third Circle Executive Committee Meeting of  
AIBSNLOA Tamilnadu Circle, at Thanjavur**

1. In pursuance to the Memorandum of Understanding dated 30<sup>th</sup> September 2000 executed between Government of India and BSNL, all assets and liabilities in respect of business carried on by DTS and DTO were transferred to the Company with effect from 01st October 2000 at a provisional value of Rs. 6,300,000 lakh and up to previous financial year BSNL has identified net assets of Rs. 6,346,118 lakh against it. The fact that even after 10 years of formation of BSNL, the assets are still required to be transferred and registered in the name of BSNL, reveals the sorry state of affairs in managing the assets of the company. At a time when a lot of concern is being expressed about the financial viability of BSNL, we feel it would be prudent to initiate and complete the process of registration of the fixed assets transferred from DoT to BSNL in a shortest possible time, which will dispel all fears about the downfall of BSNL. **This CEC urges the Government and the DoT to complete the transfer of assets to BSNL without further delay and at the earliest.**

2. An expert group set up by the Department of Telecom has suggested stricter radiation norms for mobile handsets and towers in order to mitigate any possible health related effects due to emissions from these devices. While BSNL has always followed norms regarding the transmission power of its mobile phone towers, there are reports about the private mobile companies not adhering to the standards prescribed, with a view to having extra coverage for their towers. **This CEC urges that DoT should not remain a silent spectator to this issue. It should send teams to check up all towers to find out violations and take strict action against violating companies.**

3. Today, BSNL is falling behind in competition, not because it lacks the capability but because of a deliberate policy followed by the DoT and the Government, whereby BSNL has not been allowed to expand as per requirement. In the landline side, the private operators are not willing to go to rural and low revenue areas, offering services to only commercial and high revenue areas. They routinely pay token fines and do not provide services to loss making and rural areas. BSNL is the only telecom company that provides services to such areas and customers. Now there is news about the private players wanting to exit from USOF scheme. **This CEC urges the Government, the DoT and BSNL to change the procedures for procurement of equipment, with required safeguards against malpractice so that equipments can be procured without cumbersome processes. This CEC also urges the Government and the DoT to release funds from USO to compensate for the loss BSNL is incurring due to its landline operations in rural and uneconomical areas.**

4. Recently, Minister of State for Communications, in reply to a question in parliament has mentioned that 46 telecom companies are yet to pay over

Rs.1366.32 crores interconnect usage charge to BSNL. In another report, TDSAT has stayed BSNL's ADC demand of Rs.200 crores payable by Reliance Communications. There are more number of such cases in which BSNL has been deprived of its justified payment running to hundreds of crores of rupees. **This CEC urges BSNL Management to ensure that fees are collected from the private operators by effectively enforcing the relevant clauses in the IUC and ADC agreements.**

5. Trai has recently issued showcause notices to Bharti Airtel, Idea Cellular, Loop Telecom, Reliance Communications and Vodafone for violating MNP rules. The showcause notices have been issued over alleged violation of mobile number portability regulations. Trai has received complaints from some customers regarding wrong rejection of porting requests by telecom operators. **This CEC urges the Government and the DoT to take all steps against blatant misuse of the MNP rules by the private mobile operators.**

6. Department of Telecommunications (DoT) on 22 July 2011 has approved Rs 30000-crore National Optical Fibre Network (NOFN) for broadband connectivity to 2500 Panchayats in India. The Telecom Commission has approved the project that will be funded through the Universal Service Obligation [USO] Fund. The project will be completed by 2014-15 through a special purpose vehicle (SPV). According to the Minister Shri Kapil Sibal, "BSNL -- which has the biggest existing fibre network in the country -- will be handed over the charge of creating and running the network in initial stages." Obviously, there are plans to involve private operators in this job at later stages. **This CEC urges upon the Government and the DoT to allow BSNL to handle the project in its entirety since BSNL alone has the capability and network to implement it.**

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