

Joint Forum calls for demonstration on 22nd July, 2009, against IPO in BSNL

A meeting of the Joint Forum of the Associations and Unions of Executives and Non-Executives of BSNL was held on 9th July, 2009, under the chairmanship of Com. Prahalad Rai, General Secretary, AIBSNLEA. The meeting took place in the back drop of reports stating that Govt. is steadily moving towards launching of IPO in BSNL. Earlier, the committee of Public Sector Trade Unions (CPSTU) had given call to hold protest demonstrations on 22nd July, 2009, against disinvestment.

After taking stock of the situation, the meeting unanimously decided to call upon the Executives and Non-Executives of BSNL to hold protest demonstrations throughout the country on 22nd July, 2009, against the proposed IPO in BSNL, as well as to send telegrams to the Prime Minister and Communications Minister.

Developmental activities: - The meeting viewed with concern that BSNL's performance has not shown any improvement in the first three months of the current financial year. Hence, it is felt that the Joint Forum should effectively get involved in the developmental activities of the company by maintaining close interaction with the Directors. It was decided to seek an immediate meeting with the CMD to discuss this aspect.

ITS absorption: - BSNL Management has fixed December, 2009 as ultimatum to settle the issue. As per reports, it is learnt that the ITS officers have enmasse given option to DoT. Under these circumstances, the meeting decided to write to the CMD, calling for details of the action being taken by BSNL to face the situation.

100 days programme: - The meeting decided to appeal to the Executives and Non-Executives to take all out efforts to successfully implement the CMD's "100 days programme".

Recommendations of the BCG: - The meeting viewed with concern that the recommendations of the BCG are being implemented without any consultation with the Associations / Unions of the Executives and Non-Executives. It was decided to inform the management that any recommendation of the BCG on HR issue should not be implemented without proper consultation of the representatives of the Executives and Non-Executives.
