

SPONTANEOUS MASSIVE PROTEST AGAINST ARBITRARY DECISION OF BSNL MANAGEMENT IN ISSUING ORDERS ON MEAGRE ADJUSTABLE ADVANCE.

The BSNL Non-Executives all over the country expressed their sharp anger and spontaneous protest against the very meager advance as also the arbitrary orders issued by BSNL management.

While BSNLEU and United Forum demanded for 50% salary or Rs. 3000/- p.m. whichever is more as interim relief, the BSNL management offered only two months basic pay as advance. During discussions, CMD offered 4 months basic pay as advance. BSNLEU did not accept the offer, stating that it is too meager.

But the management arbitrarily issued orders on 30th April 2009 for payment of adjustable advance of four months basic pay only. The management should never have issued such an order, which is under discussion with the recognized union.

Hence, the protest walk-out from duty/office and massive hunger strike at Corporate office on 4th May 2009 were organized within a very short time.

CHQ congratulates the entire workers for organizing the action programmes with participation of maximum workers.

Whether to accept the adjustable advance or not?

Some comrades have requested us to give a call for boycott of the advance, since it is very meager and decision is arbitrarily taken. We understand and appreciate the feelings of these comrades. The Central Secretariat after detailed discussion has decided to call upon the workers to take the advance and at the same time continue our struggle. Our attention should not be diverted from the prime target and division amongst workers should not be allowed to take place. Our maximum efforts now should be to make the two days strike on 19th and 20th May 2009 a resounding success.

Request to other Unions.

CHQ, as the representative union, has already requested all other Unions (other than the unions in United Forum, which have already given strike notice) to join strike action on 19-20 May 2009 on common interest. We have also requested the Executives Associations to extend their solidarity.

- ***Let us make all preparation for a successful strike.***
- ***Contact each and every worker and explain.***
- ***Hold GB/executive committee meetings.***

We March **Towards strike**
Towards victory