

# BSNL EMPLOYEES UNION

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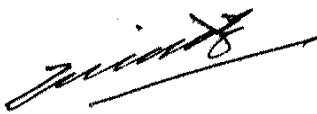
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### ***More than 2 lakh BSNL employees went on strike, opposing fragmentation of BSNL.***

More than 2 lakh officers and employees of BSNL went on a nation wide strike today, opposing the move of the government to form a Subsidiary Tower Company, to which the BSNL's 65,000 mobile towers would be hived off. All the Unions and Associations of BSNL have given call for this strike. The entire officers and employees of BSNL are strongly opposing the formation of a Subsidiary Tower Company, since this move of the government is fraught with the danger of privatisation of BSNL's tower assets. The strike call was triggered, after the Department of Telecommunications sent a Cabinet Note, for the formation of a Subsidiary Tower Company.

After serving of the strike notice, discussions took place between the Chairman and Managing Director of BSNL and the Unions & Associations of BSNL. Talks were also held between the Additional Secretary of the Department of Telecommunications and the Unions & Associations. However, these talks failed to break the ice, as there was no assurance, that the proposed subsidiary tower company would not be subjected to a strategic sale subsequently.

Responding to the call of the unions & associations, the officers and employees of BSNL, from Kashmir to Kanyakumari, massively participated in the strike. In most of the states the strike is reported to be more than 95%. Offices of the General Managers, Chief General Managers and Customer Service Centres throughout the country wore a deserted look. The unions & associations have resolved to intensify the struggle, if the government does not drop the proposal for the formation of a Subsidiary Tower Company. BSNL Employees Union heartily congratulates all the officers and employees, who have made the strike a great success.



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