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## AIGETOA STANDS FOR THE PRIDE OF BSNL PARIWAR

AIGETOA denounce the intolerable statement of Shri Anant Kumar Hegde, Member of Parliament against BSNL Employees as reported in media. These incomprehensible statements have brought disgrace to the BSNL and its employees. These false narratives brought malice to the sacred organisation nurtured by the hard working employees from years together. It is highly unfortunate that the propaganda is being carried at such a crucial pandemic times when BSNL employees are working day & night to provide seamless services without caring about their life and family's health with all constraints, where even salary is not paid in time. It has come at a time when our Hon'ble PM of India, Shri Narendra Modi ji has just inaugurated the submarine optical connectivity to Andaman and Nicobar Islands from Chennai, which is executed in record time of less than 24months by the BSNL.

Hon'ble MoC & IT, Sri Ravi Shankar Prasad ji has already lauded the efforts of BSNL and its employees to stand in hour of need of the Nation. Whenever, natural calamities like cyclone, floods, etc struck the nation e.g. e.g. Chennai flood, Kashmir flood, Kerala flood, Uttrakhand flood etc, it was BSNL which provided telecom service and supported relief & rescue operations, while the private telecom companies used to shut-down their services. BSNL has been praised by the Hon'ble Minister even on the floor of Parliament on many occasions.

It's a proven fact that BSNL fading has happened due to its failure to grab the wireless segment when the industry was growing at a rapid pace. This basically happened due to non-meeting of the required infrastructure, especially due to cancellation of famous 93 Million GSM Tender and then further pushed back by non-provisioning of high speed wireless data as offered by other private operators due to non allotment of the 4G Spectrum at par with other operators. Even when the government has allotted 4G spectrum with BSNL/MTNL Revival Package in Oct-2019, the service is yet to be started in absence of the equipment, which has been further marred with cancellation of much hyped 28 Million lines Tender of 4G on a complaint raised by some groups just one week before its opening. In facts, representatives of the employees are raising these issues continuously on various platforms for sustainability of BSNL.

We employees are not responsible for such decisions and non-capitalization of the opportunities by BSNL and market dynamics which forced more than half dozen operators to close down the business due predatory price war in the sector, In the light of above, the statement of Shri Hegde as circulating in the media that the government has provided funds and technology to BSNL, whereas the employees are not willing to work, is highly misleading and far from the facts. We strongly object to such statement and demands for restoration of the pride of the employees, which has been deeply hurt by these public outburst and hence we request CMD BSNL to intervene and seek corrective action to protect the pride of employees of the BSNL.

#Mera Bharat\_Mera Abhiman, #Mera BSNL\_Mera Abhiman

--Sd/--(**MD.WASI AHMAD**) General Secretary, AIGETOA

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- 1. CMD BSNL with a request to safeguard and restore the pride of employees as a head of the organisation.
- 2. All Employees of BSNL to show unity & restrain but once again prove that we are real asset of the Nation.

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