AUAB meets Shri Manoj Sinha, Hon'ble MoSC(I/C) in the Parliament House.

The representatives of the All Unions and Associations of BSNL met Shri Manoj Sinha, Hon'ble MoSC(I/C) in the Parliament House today. Shri M.B. Rajesh, MP, Kerala, has taken the initiative to arrange the meeting between the AUAB and the Hon'ble MoSC(I/C), and he was also present during the discussion.

The AUAB leaders who participated in today's meeting are Com.P.Abhimanyu, GS, BSNLEU, Com.Sheshadri, Dy.GS, NFTE BSNL, Com.K.Sebastin, GS, SNEA, Com.Prahlad Rai, GS, AIBSNLEA, Com.Ravi Shil Verma, GS, AIGETOA, Com.Suresh Kumar, GS, BSNL MS, Com. S.D. Sharma, GS, ATM BSNL and Com.J. Vijaya Kumar, Dy.GS, TEPU.

The AUAB leaders expressed their serious concern against the non-implementation of the assurances given by Hon'ble MoSC(I/C), in the meeting held on 24.02.2018, with the representatives of AUAB. They further pointed out that, during the last five months, not even a single meeting has been granted by the Hon'ble MoSC(I/C) and the Secretary (T), to discuss about the implementation of the assurances.

- 1) Assurance was given by Hon'ble MoSC(I/C), to get the affordability clause of 3rd PRC relaxed, w.r.t. BSNL. However, the DoT has not started the preparation of the Cabinet Note for getting the affordability clause of the 3rd PRC relaxed for BSNL.
- 2) Direction was given by Hon'ble MoSC(IC) to the Secretary(T), to take action for collecting pension contribution from BSNL on actual basic pay, as per the government order, instead of the maximum of the pay scale. DoT has not taken any action in this regard till date.
- 3) Hon'ble MoSC(I/C) directed the Secretary, Telecom, in the meeting held on 24.02.2018, to take necessary action for revision of pension of BSNL Pensioners. No action has been taken so far.
- 4) Hon'ble MoSC(I/C) gave assurance in the meeting held on 24.02.2018, for allocation of 4G Spectrum to BSNL, but so far same is not allotted to BSNL.

After discussion on the above issues, the Hon'ble MoSC(I/C) stated that the issue of 4G Spectrum allocation is in the hands of the government, and that it would be done shortly. Regarding pay revision, pension contribution on actual basic pay and revision of pension of BSNL Pensioners, the Hon'ble MoSC(I/C) assured that he would discuss all these issues with the Secretary, Telecom, on 3rd August, 2018.

Hon'ble MoSC(I/C) further stated that the employees should earn revenue for BSNL, in addition to raising the demands. The AUAB leaders replied that they are giving tough competition to Reliance JIO, who is providing services based on predatory pricing. Shri M.B. Rajesh, MP, extended his thanks to the Hon'ble MoSC(I/C) for granting the meeting and discussing the issues.

We extended our sincere gratitude and thanks to Hon'ble MoSC (I/C) for granting the meeting and also extended thanks to Shri M.B. Rajesh, MP, for arranging the meeting.

