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To
Com. Abhimanyu,
Convenor,
AUAB.

Dear Comrade,

At the outset, I am thankful to you for calling me for discussion on 7.10.2019, wherein you proposed organizing agitation viz. Human chain protesting against delay in payment of salary. I had categorically stated that first, we should try to meet CMD, BSNL/Secretary, DoT to convey our concerns over delay in revival plan for BSNL and to have an idea of what is being proposed. This was also recorded in the meeting. As NFTE was not present in the meeting, it was decided to meet again on a later date. On 11.10.2019, when you called me for a meeting, I was away from Delhi and hence had requested our AGS in Delhi to attend the meeting and report back. Without considering my proposal on 7.10.2019 about meeting the CMD, BSNL/Secretary, DoT, it had been decided for One day Hunger Strike on 18.10.2019.

After that our AGS reported to me about the deliberations in the meeting and before we could take a decision on joining the Hunger Strike (which I felt was not called for at the moment), you had reported in your website on 12th October 2019 that "Many more organisations have become part of AUAB now", listing the names of the unions and associations which attended the meeting on 11.10.2019, which included the name of AIBSNLOA. This was widely circulated in other websites and WhatsApp groups, resulting in an incorrect impression that AIBSNLOA had become a part of AUAB and was a party to the decision for hunger strike on 18.10.2019. This has resulted in unnecessary confusion amongst our members and other constituents of Organisation of BSNL Unions and Associations (OBUA). We have never said anywhere, anytime that we have joined the AUAB. It is my request that in future such mistakes should be avoided.

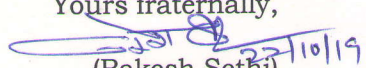
Finally, the hunger strike has been deferred by AUAB after meeting the Director (HR) and CMD BSNL. This is what I had proposed to be done before deciding on any agitation. We continue to believe that agitations can complement and strengthen any dialogue but cannot replace it. The need of the hour is efforts to re-establish the link with the DoT/Government, through whatever possible means.

I appreciate the efforts made by you this time to talk to all unions and associations, realizing that no one should be left out, in order to build a formidable unity. You are an experienced leader and will agree that name or a banner should not stand in the way of building such a unity.

We are always willing to work together on the basis of the above understanding.

With fraternal Greetings,

Yours fraternally,


(Rakesh Sethi)
General Secretary