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To
Shri Kapil Sibal,
Hon'ble Minister of Communications & IT,
New Delhi

Sub: Irregularities reported in installation and acceptance testing of GSM equipment by the vendor M/S Huawei

Sir,

We are constrained to bring to your kind notice, some irregularities of the vendor M/S Huawei being reported by BSNL field units, during the installation and acceptance testing of GSM equipment which will affect the quality of BSNL mobile services in South Region for years to come. It may be recollected that when Huawei won the bid for expanding the GSM lines in BSNL, the Government decided to award the contract to Huawei only in South Region in view of the uncleared security concerns.

2. While it is so, it appears that Huawei has been given a free hand to violate all the existing standard installation practices, not to speak of the high handed attitude of its field officials in coaxing and threatening BSNL officers in the field. The installation is being done in a hasty and shabby manner and the BSNL Acceptance Testing units are being compelled to certify non-standard installation of equipment. A sample check at some sites would show cables hanging shabbily and terminations done in non-standard methods. Batteries are subjected to only two hours test discharge while the normal test discharge period is 10 hours. It is also being reported that there is pressure from higher authorities for passing A/T even with deviations and deficiencies.

3. **The most shocking aspect is that payment has already been reportedly made to M/S Huawei without completion of installation and passing of A/T in many cases, particularly in respect of sites in Tamilnadu.**

4. We would, therefore, request you to kindly order an investigation into this issue and to hold M/S Huawei to task if found to have committed irregularities and to ensure proper installation and reoffering of A/T in all such sites.

With kind regards,

Yours Sincerely



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