UNITED FORUM OF BSNL UNIONS

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Dear Comrades,

The National Steering Committee of United Forum of BSNL Unions congratulates the BSNL workers for electing BSNL Employees Union as the majority union for grant of recognition. This is the third time the BSNL workers have reposed their faith in the United Forum. We heartily thank the workers for this grand success.

The results of the election was declared by the Chief Returning Officer, Shri Pradeep Nagpal, GM(SP), BSNL in the morning of 24th January 2009. As per the report, BSNELU got 124053 votes compared to 95,225 got by NFTE. BSNLEU got 49.97% of total votes and 52.47% of the polled votes. NFTE got only 38.35% of total votes. The recognition orders will be issued by 27th January 2009.

A propaganda is being made by the defeated NFTE-FNTO alliance that since BSNLEU got only 49.97% votes, recognition will not be given. There is no condition of any % of votes. The only condition is that the first union will be granted recognition. It is on this basis that NFTE was granted recognition in 2002 after 1st verification, though it has received only 35% votes. BSNLEU which got 30% was not granted recognition. The question of non-grant of recognition of BSNLEU or grant of recognition to NFTE does not arise at all.

A meeting of the National Steering Committee was held on 24th January 2009 evening at TEPU office. Com.V.Subburaman, General Secretary, TEPU presided. Com.V.A.N.Namboodiri, Convener, United Forum reported the latest developments. After discussion, the following decisions were taken:-

- The National Steering Committee of United Forum was formed with 2 members from each of the following unions:
 - (1) BSNLEU
- (2) TEPU
- (3) B\$NLMS (BTEF)
- (4) SC/ST EWA (5) AIBCTES
- (6) BTU BSNL
- (7) SNATTA
- It was decided to nominate National Council Members from each Association / Union after receiving the same from the respective unions.
- 3. As at national level, Steering Committees of United Forum should be framed at Circle / SSA levels. This should be completed within one month. Circle / District Secretaries of BSNLEU should take initiative for the same. There should be close coordination between alliance unions at all levels.

- 4. The Circle / SSA Steering Committees should discuss, finalise and send the list of Circle / District Council members to CHQ BSNLEU for issue of nomination to management.
- 5. The items for the next National Council should be furnished to General Secretary, BSNLEU by 5th February 2009.
- 6. The pending issues like Wage Negotiation, Interim Relief, Orders on Promotion Policy etc should be expedited.

Yours Fraternally,

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BSNLEU

V.Subburaman General Secretary

TEPU

General Secretary

BSNLMS (BTEF)

General Secretary **AIBCTES**

General Secretary SC/STEWA BSNL

General Secretary BTU BSNL

General Secretary SNATTA