

Resolution on contract workers issues.

This CEC meeting is being held at a time when the contract workers are waiting to get their wages arrears of the past ten months. The meeting observes with grave concern that 7 contract workers have already committed suicide due to non-receipt of wages on time. The matter is being taken up with the Corporate Management by BSNLEU and BSNL CCWF, as a result of which the Corporate Management released funds for the payment of wages of 2 months. However, it is learnt that in many circles, even this 2 months' wages have not reached the hands of the contract workers. This meeting urges upon the Corporate Management to immediately release the funds for the payment of wage arrears of the contract workers.

This CEC meeting also expresses its strong resentment over the decision of the Management to retrench the entire contract workers presently working in BSNL and to hand over the entire works for outsourcing. All these contract workers have worked for more than 20 years in BSNL and have immensely contributed for the growth and development of the Company. It will be totally ungrateful on the part of the Management to throw them on the streets by retrenching them from BSNL. This meeting wishes to point out that these contract workers are well experience in the maintenance of BSNL's networks. At a time when nearly 80,000 employees of BSNL have been retired under VRS, the services of the contract workers will be immensely useful for the maintenance of networks and for the provisioning of the services.

In view of the foregoing, this CEC meeting of BSNLEU being held at Vadodara on 6th & 7th March, 2020, urges upon the BSNL Management to immediately release the funds for the payment of wage arrears of the contract workers. Further, this meeting also implores upon the Management not to retrench the contract workers through outsourcing of the services, but to utilise them for the growth and development of BSNL.
