

BSNL EMPLOYEES UNION

TAMILNADU CIRCLE

SURRENDER OF NFTE- MINIMUM PLI ONE RUPEE- MAXIMUM 99 RUPEES

THE BSNL EMPLOYEES UNION TOOK AN INITIATIVE TO FORM A COMMITTEE TO FINALISE NEW PLI FORMULA FOR THE BSNL EMPLOYEES. THE COMMITTEE WAS FORMED. COM.P.ABHIMANYU GS BSNLEU AND COM.ISLAM AHAMED PRESIDENT NFTE WERE THE STAFF SIDE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PLI COMMITTEE. IT IS VERY ASTONISHING TO NOTE THAT NFTE ALL INDIA PRESIDENT COM. ISLAM AHAMED DEMANDED IN THE EARLIER PLI COMMITTEE MEETING THAT "YOU ANNOUNCE EVEN AS ONE RUPEE AS MINIMUM PLI TO THE BSNL EMPLOYEES. I AM PREPARED TO ACCEPT IT". THIS IS NOTHING BUT TOTAL SURRENDER TO THE MANAGEMENT. EVEN THE MANAGEMENT SIDE MEMBERS WERE SURPRISED AND COMMENTED THAT "MR. ISLAM AHAMED, PLEASE DON'T MAKE PLI AS MOCKERY". BSNL EMPLOYEES UNION GENERAL SECRETARY COM.P.ABHIMANYU AS A COMMITTEE MEMBER OUTRIGHTLY REJECTED THE PROPOSAL OF NFTE AND DEMANDED A NEW PLI FORMULA SO THAT BSNL EMPLOYEES WILL GET A JUSTIFIED PLI. WE HOPED THAT MANAGEMENT WILL PREPARE A NEW FORMULA. BUT AGAIN, IN ANOTHER PLI COMMITTEE MEETING NFTE PRESIDENT COM.ISLAM AHAMED DEMANDED THAT A TWO DIGIT AMOUNT AS PLI HAS TO BE GIVEN TO BSNL EMPLOYEES, PENDING FINALISATION OF NEW PLI FORMULA. THIS IS ANOTHER LEAD TO THE MANAGEMENT THAT NFTE DEMANDS AS PLI OF RANGING FROM RUPEES 10 TO 99. AGAIN TO CURTAIL THE NFTE'S LOW QUOTATION DEMAND OUR GENERAL SECRETARY OPPOSED IT VEHEMENTLY AND TOLD THAT BSNLEU WILL NOT BE A PART OF THIS MOCKERY DEMAND.

NFTE HAS GOT RECOGNITION AS SECOND UNION FROM 2013. NFTE GOT THIS POSITION ONLY DUE TO THE DEMAND OF THE BSNL EMPLOYEES UNION TO RECOGNISE THE SECOND UNION. BUT NFTE COULD NOT ACHIEVE ANYTHING FOR PAST THREE YEARS ON ITS OWN. IT MAY BE RECALLED THAT IN 2013 ELECTION, NFTE PROPOGATED THAT IF NFTE GETS RECOGNITION, IT WILL SETTLE PLI, MEDICAL REIMBURSEMENT AND LTC. SINCE NFTE COULD NOT SETTLE THESE ISSUES IN THESE YEARS, IT DECIDED TO PUT BLAME ON BSNL EMPLOYEES UNION AS A SCAPE GOAT. BSNL EMPLOYEES UNION CONTINUOUSLY CONDUCTED MANY STRUGGLES TO SETTLE THE PLI ISSUE, BUT THE MANAGEMENT WAS SO ADAMANT.

NFTE MEMBERS WERE VIGILANT AND THEY WERE QUESTIONING THEIR UNION LEADERSHIP THROUGH OUT THE COUNTRY. TO SATISFY ITS OWN MEMBERS NFTE PRESIDENT COM.ISLAM AHAMED MADE SECRET UNDERSTANDING WITH THE MANAGEMENT. THE MANAGEMENT WILFULLY CALLED A PLI MEETING ON 30TH MARCH WITHOUT GIVING PROPER NOTICE TO MAIN RECOGNISED UNION i.e. BSNL EMPLOYEES UNION. BSNLEU GENERAL SECRETARY WAS INFORMED BY THE ADMINISTRATION ONLY IN THE EVENING OF 29TH MARCH REGARDING 30TH MARCH PLI COMMITTEE MEETING. THE GENERAL SECRETARY INFORMED THE MANAGEMENT THAT HE COULD NOT ATTEND THE MEETING ON 30TH DUE TO PRE OCCUPIED TOUR PROGRAMME AND DEMANDED THAT THE MANAGEMENT SHOULD GIVE MINIMUM OF ONE WEEK NOTICE TO CONVENE THE COMMITTEE MEETING WHICH WAS IN PRACTICE.

BUT BSNL MANAGEMENT HURRIEDLY CONDUCTED THE PLI COMMITTEE MEETING WITHOUT THE PRESENCE OF THE MAIN RECOGNISED UNION REPRESENTATIVE. SINCE THE SCREEN PLAY WAS ALREADY PLANNED, THE MANAGEMENT OFFERED A MEAGRE AMOUNT OF PLI AND THE NFTE LEADER HAS STATED THAT, 'THE QUANTUM OF MONEY IS TOO MEAGRE. BUT WE ARE NOT REJECTING THE PROPOSAL'. THUS NFTE ACCEPTED 'MEAGRE AMOUNT' OF PLI BLATANTLY. (i.e. MAXIMUM Rs.99/-) THE BSNL EMPLOYEES UNION UNDERSTOOD THE CARTEL BETWEEN THE MANAGEMENT AND THE NFTE AND EXPOSED IT THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY AND GAVE A DEMONSTRATION CALL ON 01ST APRIL, 2016. NFTE SMELT THE ANGER OF THE ORDINARY WORKERS AND IT HAS SOMERSAULTED ITS DECISION BY WITHDRAWING ITS EARLIER ACCEPTANCE. THOUGH THIS IS THE FACT, TO HIDE THEIR ABJECT SURRENDER, CHENNAI MATHIVANAN IN HIS OWN STYLE OF MUDSLINGS, WROTE IN HIS WEBSITE THAT BSNL EMPLOYEES UNION COULD NOT SETTLE THE PLI FOR THE PAST 5 YEARS. IT IS NOTHING BUT A BLATANT LIE.

LET THE NFTE CLARIFY THE FOLLOWING:-

01. WHY NFTE ATTENDED THE HURRIED PLI COMMITTEE MEETING ON 30.03.2016 AND ACCEPTED THE PROPOSAL OF MANAGEMENT i.e. MEAGRE AMOUNT OF PLI.
02. NFTE HAS TO DECLARE, WHAT IS THE "MEAGRE AMOUNT" SPELT BY THE MANAGEMENT?
03. WHY NFTE WITHDRAWN ITS ACCEPTANCE WITHIN A DAY?

THE PAST HISTORY OF NFTE'S BETRAYAL CANNOT BE FORGOTTEN. WHEN NFTE WAS RECOGNISED DURING 2002-2004 AND BSNL WAS IN A PROFITABLE POSITION, WHY NFTE ACCEPTED 75% BONUS TO THE BSNL EMPLOYEES? THE LEFT OUT JUSTIFIED 25% BONUS WAS SETTLED ONLY AFTER BSNL EMPLOYEES UNION'S RECGONITION.

BSNL EMPLOYEES UNIONS GAVE A CALL ON 7TH APRIL, 2016 TO CONDUCT A MASSIVE DHARNA IN ALL SSAs AND CORPORATE OFFICE DEMANDING MINIMUM PLI OF Rs.7,000 TO ALL BSNL EMPLOYEES. IT IS ALSO DECIDED TO WITHDRAW THE CO-OPERATION TO THE BSNL MANAGEMENT. THUS WE HAVE TO EXPOSE THE NEXUS BETWEEN HE BSNL MNGEMNET AND THE NFTE. OUR JUSTIFIED DEMAND WILL BRING ALL THE WORKERS IN AN UMBRELLA AND WE WILL SHOW THE MANAGEMENT THAT BSNL EMPLOYEES UNION IS THE ONLY UNION TO FIGHT FOR THE RIGHTS OF EMPLOYEES. THE EMPLOYEES WILL GIVE A BEFITTING REPLY IN THE 7TH MEMBERWHIP VERIFICATION TO NFTE AND TO THE AUTOCRATIC LEADER MATHIVANAN.