

## **Pot Calling the Kettle Black?**

**NFTE-BSNL is marching ahead towards the victory post. The WRU, BSNLES.SEWA, SNATTA, PEWA have agreed to support us and jointly fight against the BSNLEU in the 5th membership verification. With in few days some more unions/associations including ATM, BSNLEC and NTSU will join us. Thus grand and strong alliance has emerged. BSNLEU is going to face the worst election defeat than in 2002.**

**Our alliance with more than 15000 membership of SNATTA will very badly affect the chances of BSNLEU. That is why Com. Abhimanhu is critical on our agreement with SNATTA. He has become restless and seems to be lost sleep over the impending defeat of BSNLEU. In 2002 BSNLEU contested the election on its own symbol 'Antenna'. But in 2004 election it sacrificed the 'Antenna' symbol and contested on 'Cell phone' symbol of FNTU. No union with self respect would have accepted such a humiliating condition to sacrifice one's own symbol. But BSNLEU was prepared to surrender/ compromise on anything.**

**BSNLEU to keep the TEPU union in good humor went to the extent of supporting a minister whose corruption was well known. No trade union worth the name will ever give clean chit to a minister so brazenly and publicly. BSNLEU mortgaged the legitimate rights of our employees to the management only to collect crores of rupees as donation from our employees with the help of the management. It has lost all moral/ethical rights to continue as the recognized union in BSNL. It accepted the removal of employees after attaining the age of 55 years by accepting silently the CDA rules-2006. It created history by stopping the bonus for our employees. Hence the need of the hour is to defeat BSNLEU. It is the only way to save BSNL and secure the future of our employees.**

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