

## **DOT approved the 2<sup>nd</sup> wage revision:**

We are very happy to inform our employees that the DOT approved the 2<sup>nd</sup> wage revision for 2.5 lakh non-executive employees on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2010. The order for the implementation of the same will be issued by the BSNL shortly. It is understood that certain formalities like getting clearance from DPE etc are to be completed. Ofcourse this is a victory for all of us. Both the executives and non executives who have participated in the strike on 20/04/2010 may feel proud for this development. The united struggle forced the DOT & the Govt to implement the much delayed 2<sup>nd</sup> wage revision. Even though the 2<sup>nd</sup> wage revision was not a notified demand for the indefinite strike from 20/04/2010, the leaders of the JAC raised this issue when they met the DOT secretary on 01/04/2010 and in the meeting with the Hon'ble Minister A. RAJA on 16/04/2010 & 20/04/2010. The Minister assured our leaders that the 2<sup>nd</sup> wage revision will be implemented with in two weeks. He was keen to fulfill his promise with in the stipulated period. We are thankful for the Minister for this.

The recognized union will as usual try to claim the whole credit for the 2<sup>nd</sup> wage revision even though it was the root cause for the delay in implementation of the wage revision. Had it united all the unions/associations earlier, our employees would have got the 2<sup>nd</sup> wage revision implemented much earlier. In its greedy to have all the "Glory" the BSNLEU deliberately avoided the wage revision for long but in the end it was the united strike by all unions/ associations in BSNL that settled the long pending 2<sup>nd</sup> wage revision to our employees. In the end we welcome the approval of the DOT and expect orders from the BSNL for its implementation very shortly. However we reserve our criticism on the very bad agreement signed by the recognized union for our employees compared with other PSU's like port trust, COAL etc. BSNLEU neither got 78.2% IDA merger nor secured 5 years wage agreement as per its promises. Due to this our employees will face huge financial loss in future.

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