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To,

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Letter No. SNEA CHQ/Corr/Dir HR /2022-23 Dated 1st September 2023.

Sub: Request for allowing for casting vote by Postal ballot paperor with old ID card to the executives who are facing issues in joining duties due to their transfers and also due to issues of critical illness of self or parents during 3rd Membership Verification for electing Majority representative association of Executives in BSNL.

Ref:Letter No.BSNL/5-2/SRDated 02/08/2023.

Respected Sir,

With reference to above subject and letter, we hereby submit the following few lines for kind and sympathetic consideration.

Sir, the polling for 3rd Membership Verification for electing Majority representative association of Executives in BSNL is scheduled on 12/09/2023 and as per SR Cell letters, the executives cannot cast their vote if he/she do not have BSNL ID or if he/she is not on duty due to sanctioned leave on that particular dayfor any reason including critical illness. The details are as follows.

A. Cases for Postal Ballot Paper:

- a. Some of Executives have met accident and taking treatment at the places other than his HQ, where his name is included in Voter list. Now due to this accident, he/she is admitted in Hospital and is unable be present at HQ to cast vote and he/she will have to lose casting vote as he could not join at HQ.
- b. Some of the Executives are being treated for certain urgent illness and have undergone surgery or surgery is proposed by or before 12/09/2023 and hence it will be difficult for them to be present at their HQ or if available at HQ will not be in position to reach Polling Booth.
- c. We are citing classic example wherein Executive is facing critical in attending office as he is hospitalized due to accident and is unable to attend office and requested for allowing postal ballot paper but his request is rejected by administration. Copy Attached. There few more such cases and chances of arising such cases cannot be ruled out.
- **d.** The powers for decision on such cases of admission in Hospital/Hospitalisation and allotment of Postal Ballot Paper may be Given to Returning Officers/BA Heads and in case of Disputes, the matter can be decided by the Chief Returning Officer and/or PGM SR BSNL CO.
- e. We request to allow casting of vote by Postal Ballot to all such Executives who are undergoing treatment and will be operated by polling date i.e.12/09/2023 and oblige.

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B. Allowing casting vote in case of non-availability of BSNL ID:

- a. As per orders issued by SR Cell BSNL CO, casting of votes in 3rd Membership Verification for electing Majority representative association of Executives in BSNL is allowed only on production of BSNL ID and no other ID are allowed.
- b. In this regards, it is to inform that due to different personal and administrative reasons, it is difficult to allot the permanent BSNL ID. All such Executives/Votes, who will not have regular/valid BSNL ID, will lose their opportunity and precious right to elect one Representative association in BSNL.
- c. Some of the Executives are under transfer and have submitted their representation for cancellation of Transfer order/Retention for few months on genuine grounds as decided by Pers section. SNEA has already submitted request vide letter dated for consideration of these request.
- d. Similar requests are pending at different Circles and Circle/BA Heads are not able to give consideration to all such genuine requests due to restrictions by SR Cell for issuing any modification in transfer orders after 21/07/2023. Same stand is taken by PGM Pers BSNL CO on all the pending request and it is decided that review of all such cases will be given consideration once the code of conduct for 3rd MV is over.
- e. In all such cases, the affected Executives are unable to join at transferred place, but their names are added in Voter list of transferred places. In all such cases, the chances of getting regular BSNL ID are about NIL. Hence all these executives will lose the precocious opportunity to cast vote which they are getting after three/four years. All such not joined Executives needs to be allowed to casting vote in view of pendency of their representation with concerned management.
- f. In view of above we request you honour to look into in the genuine issues of restriction for casting vote on production of BSNL ID and allow the casting of Vote by accepting Temporary BSNL ID, Aadhar Card, BSNL Medical Card, Driving Licence or Valid passport.

We are hopeful that this genuine request will be given consideration by your high office and the executives will not be deprived from casting of votes in 3rd Membership Verification for electing Majority representative association of Executives in BSNL.

With warm regards.

Yours Sincerely,

General Secretary
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Copy to:

- 1. CMD BSNL for kind Information please.
- 2. Chief Returning Officer 3rd MV Process and PGM Admn BSNL CO for kind information and with request to look into these issues.
- 3. All the members of Core Group for 3rd MV Process kind information and n/a please.
- 4. PGM SR BSNL CO for kind information and with request to look into genuine issues and issue required guidelines so that no executive is deprived from casting of votes in 3rd Membership Verification for electing Majority representative association of Executives in BSNL.