GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT

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Dated 18.64.2025

From

Sri Manas Ranjan Panda Special Secretary to Government

To

The Additional Secretary to Government, All Departments

Sub: Utilisation of BSNL/MTNL Network for internet/broadband/landline/leasedline by all government institutions

Ref: This department's earlier letter No.- 3467/E&IT dated 01.12.2021

Madam/Sir,

I am to refer this department letter cited above on the captioned subject and in enclosing a copy of the D.O Letter No.-19-1/2019-SU-I dated.08.04.2025 of the Secretary, Department of Telecommunications (DoT), Ministry of Communications, Government of India and to say that, the Union Cabinet is said to have approved revival packages to strengthen the CPSEs like BSNL and MTNL. This revival packages aim to enhance their viability and competitiveness. Key measures under these revival packages include capital infusion through capex support, spectrum allocation for 4G and 5G services, debt restructuring and asset monetization which will significantly increase the revenue growth of BSNL and MTNL and support these CPSEs for expansion of the network and optical fiber infrastructure Pan India.

To ensure optimum utilization of these improved capacities all Central Government Ministries, Departments, State Governments, and PSUs are requested by the Secretary, DoT, Gol for utilization of BSNL and MTNL's services for internet, broadband, landline and leased line for a secure, reliable, and robust network connectivity.

You are, therefore, requested to kindly issue necessary instruction for utilization of the services of BSNL and MTNL internet, broadband, landline and leased line by your Department as well as all other institutions including PSUs functioning under your administrative control.

Yours faithfully

Special Secretary to Government

Memo No 38/5 /E&IT

Copy forwarded to the Private Secretary to the Secretary, Department of Telecommunication, Ministry of Communication, Room No.-210, Sanchar Bhawan, 20, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-111001, Mail ID-secy-dot@nic.in for information of Secretary wrt his DO No.-19-1/2019-SU-I dated.08.04.2025.

Under Secretary to Government

Memo No 386 /E&IT

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© D.O. No.19-1/2019-SU-1 ew Delhi, the 08th April, 2025

Dear Chief Secretary/ Administrator,

BSNL and MTNL are Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) under the administrative control of the Department of Telecommunications, Government of India. These CPSEs fulfill the communication needs of most of the Government departments, including the Armed Forces. For the majority of Banks and Financial Institutions, the corebanking network requirement is also met by these CPSEs. BSNL has a vast rural network and is a reliable service provider.

While approving the revival package to BSNL/MTNL in 2019, the Union Cabinet inter-alia approved the mandatory utilization of capacities of BSNL and MTNL for internet/broadband, landline, and leased line requirements by the Central Government Ministries/Departments in view of data security needs. On similar lines, State Governments were also requested (copy of letter enclosed) to utilize the network capacities of BSNL for their telecom requirements.

- 3. Additionally, in line with the approvals granted by the Union Cabinet in 2019, 2022 and 2023, revival packages were approved to bolster the operations of BSNL and MTNL, improving their viability and competitiveness. Subsequently, several measures, including capital infusion through Capex support, spectrum allocation for 4G and 5G, debt restructuring, and asset monetization, have been implemented or currently in progress.
- 4. As a result of the above said revival packages and efforts by GoI:
 - BSNL has sustained revenue increase and positive EBIDTA over the last 4 years.
 - For the first time since FY 2007-08, BSNL has achieved a net profit of Rs. 262 cr. in O3 of 2024-25.
 - BSNL has accelerated Capex investment in the last 2 years to upgrade its network and telecom infra pan India. A massive investment has been done in transmission equipment & optical fiber cable (OFC) network.

 This CAPEX is expected to put BSNL on a higher revenue growth trajectory in the future.

5. As BSNL/MTNL are becoming competitive in the telecom sector and in light of the Cabinet decision in the past, I request you to consider utilization of the services of BSNL and MTNL by all Departments/Agencies/PSUs of the State Government for internet/ broadband, landline and leased line requirements. BSNL in turn will dedicate a separate one-stop nodal point to provide highest level of services to the state government.

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Yours sincerely,

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