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BHARAT SANCHAR NIGAM LIMITED
(A Government of India Enterprise)

राकेश कुमार उपाध्याय
अध्यक्ष एवं प्रबन्ध निदेशक

RAKESH K. UPADHYAY
Chairman & Managing Director

No. BSNL/5-1/SR/2012/Vol.II
Dated, the 2nd April, 2013

To

The Directors General of Police of all States/
Police Commissioners of all Union Territories.

Sub: Provision of Security to Telecom personnel/offices in connection with the conduct of 6th Membership Verification for election of majority representative union(s) in the non-executive category in BSNL slated for 16-18 April, 2013.

Sir,

After formation of Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd. (BSNL) in the year 2000, five membership verifications of nearly 3 lakh non-executive employees through secret ballot have been conducted by us, at various points of time. The last verification was conducted in February 2011, and the recognition to the majority union was given for a period of two years w.e.f. 14th February, 2011. The elections were conducted under the auspices of Chief Labour Commissioner (Central), Ministry of Labour through more than 2200 polling booths spread all over the country. On all such occasions in the past, on our request, necessary police protection was provided throughout the length and breadth of the country at the time of polling, movement of ballot boxes to the counting centers and for counting of votes. Needless to mention that such a gigantic task could be peacefully and successfully completed only with the whole-hearted help and support extended by the local law enforcing authorities. We are really thankful to you for the same.

2. Presently we are in the process of holding 6th membership verification for election of majority recognized union(s) of non-executive employees in the BSNL. The schedule for holding elections/counting of votes is as follows :-


i)	Date of polling	-	16.04.2013
ii)	Date of counting of votes by ARO in SSA (Districts)	-	18.04.2013
iii)	Declaration of result by CRO	-	18.04.2013

3. This election process involves nearly 2.05 Lac employees spread all over the country in which eighteen unions are taking part. For the purpose of elections, app. 2230 polling booths have been set up mostly at Tehsil/Taluka level. After the polling, the ballot boxes are required to be transported on the same day, i.e. 16.04.2013 itself to the SSA Headquarters, which is generally co-terminus with the Revenue District Headquarters, for counting purposes.

4. Though the unions have all along remained peaceful in the past during conduct of the elections, due to the participation of around 2.05 lac employees, possibility of disturbance of peace during the course of the elections cannot be entirely ruled out as the employees may get agitated in the heat of moment on account of varied interests of the participating unions.

5. I would, therefore, request you to kindly issue suitable instructions to your subordinate units for providing necessary security to ensure peaceful conduct of polling on 16.04.2013, transportation of ballot boxes to District Headquarters on 16.04.2013 itself and during the counting of votes proposed to be conducted on 18.04.2013. The concerned telecom officers in the field units will approach the local police authorities in their respective units separately to discuss the details of their requirements so that there is no disturbance of peace during the conduct of the elections.

Yours faithfully,


(R.K. Upadhyay)
2/4/2013

Copy for info to :

1. All CGMs, BSNL - with a request to have proper liaison with the State Police authorities.
2. Chief Labour Commissioner (Central), Ministry of Labour, New Delhi.
3. CRO [Sr.GM (TS), % CGM, NTR, BSNL]