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To,

Shri Arvind Vadnerkar,
Director (HR), BSNL
Bharat Sanchar Bhawan,
H.C. Mathur Lane,
Janpath, New Delhi -110 001

Sir,

Sub: - ***Covid-19 Vaccination of BSNL retirees possessing BSNL MRS Cards - request to include them in the vaccination drive being undertaken by BSNL- reg.***

Ref: - **Your DO Letter No.BSNL CO- ADMN 11(15) 2/2021-ADMN dated 27th April, 2021.**

We wholeheartedly appreciate your concern expressed in your DO letter under reference about the BSNL employees and their family members in the wake of alarming spread of Corona virus. It is very much necessary that BSNL employees, being the front line workers need to be vaccinated at the earliest.

We also congratulate you for the clear proposals for effective implementation of the vaccination drive. It has been directed to arrange vaccination camps in coordination with the government/ local authorities for the BSNL employees and their family members and dependants mentioned in the BSNL MRS card. It is also stated that other members of the family who wish to be vaccinated may be allowed on payment basis.

However, it is quite unfortunate that there is no mention about the BSNL retirees in the DO letter under reference.

Though some priority was given to the senior citizens above 60, the fact remains that a large number of BSNL retirees are yet to be vaccinated for various reasons. Another section of BSNL retirees had only the first dose of vaccination.

Now, due to the changed vaccination policy of the government in allowing the private vaccine companies to fix three different prices for the same vaccine, a situation of uncertainty about the availability of the vaccine prevails all over the country. People have become panicky and the vaccine centers are hugely crowded. Difficulties are also being experienced for registration in the portal.

In the given circumstances, we would request you to kindly consider the following genuine issues of the retirees.

1) Instructions may please be issued to the CGMs/ Unit Heads to include BSNL retirees and their dependant family members mentioned in the BSNL MRS Card in the vaccination camps being arranged by BSNL.

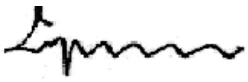
2) Other family members of the BSNL retirees and DoT retirees and their dependant family members also may kindly be allowed on payment basis, if any, in the vaccination camps.
3) Advance payment may please be granted for hospital treatment of Corona to BSNL retirees and their dependant family members mentioned in the BSNL MRS Card, as in the case of serving employees.

It is pertinent to point out the plight of the BSNL retirees due to non-payment of medical benefits, both with voucher and without voucher for the last 2-3 years.

Hence, we expect a positive response from the BSNL management at this hour of great pandemic.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,



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