

## **WORRIES OF VRS OPTTEES**

1. The BSNL management is too harsh on the VRS Optees. A paltry amount of Rs 3001 being given to the retirees at the time of farewell functions is withdrawn.
2. The VRS optees are directed to ensure that the dues to Societies are cleared. Or the DDOs should be authorized to deduct the amount from ex gratia. Else the dues will be withheld from ex gratia and Leave Encashment.
3. GPF contributions recovered from the salary of BSNL staff have not yet been remitted to the Government in full. Due to delay the BSNL has to pay penal interest also. Member (F) of Digital Commission has written to the CMD, BSNL that unless GPF credits with penal interest are not credited in full pension cases may not be settled.

## **WORRIES OF BSNL**

4G spectrum is not yet allotted to BSNL despite the assurance in Revival Plan. VRS, part of Revival Plan, is promptly implemented. Now, BSNL expects that it can launch services with 4G on March 1, 2020.

## **WORRIES OF TELECOM COMPANIES;**

It is not only BSNL or MTNL, the so called “efficient” private companies in Telecom Industry are in deep crisis. On 24-12-2019, the Supreme Court directed the private companies to pay the arrears with interest towards Adjusted Gross Revenue (AGR) to the Government. The amount runs to Rs 1.47 Lakh Crores.

The companies file an appeal. The Supreme Court of India has rejected the appeal on 17-1-2020. The deadline to pay the amount is 23-1-2020. Vodafone has to pay Rs 50,000 crores. Bharti Airtel has to pay Rs 35586 Crores.

Again, the two companies have filed a curative petition in the Court today, 20-1-2020. It is reported that the appeal will be taken up tomorrow itself.

Such cases will be taken up immediately. Ordinary people have to wait for years together to get justice in our country.