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**To,
All Chief General Managers,
Telecom Circles /Telephone Districts**

Sub: Policy for disposal of redundant Telecom network equipment in BSNL in an environment friendly manner.

E-waste means waste electrical and electronic equipments, whole or in part or rejects from their manufacturing and repair process, which are intended to be discarded. It applies to consumer and business electronic equipments that is near or at the end of its useful life. Some of the components can be reused and recycled. 'Environmentally sound management of E-waste' refers to all steps required to be taken to ensure that E-waste are managed in a manner which shall protect health and environment against any adverse effects, which may result from hazardous substance contained in such wastes.

Government of India Ministry of Environment and Forest "e-waste (Management and Handling) Rules 2011 (Gazette Notification) which is effective from 1st May-2012 is to be followed by BSNL for being a consumer/bulk consumer of electrical and electronic equipment, to ensure the proper disposal of e-waste.

In view of above, competent authority has approved the following policy guidelines for disposal of redundant Telecom network equipment in BSNL in an environment friendly manner:-

(a)The items being used in BSNL have been classified as e-waste and non e-waste items for disposal purpose. The list of e-waste and non e-waste items is at annexure I of this letter. The soft copy of the annexure is uploaded on BSNL intranet portal dated 26.12.2012, NWO-CFA section. The list of both

category of items may be sent to MSTC separately for conducting separate auctions for e-waste items and non e-waste items.

(b) A nodal officer in each Circle may be nominated whose responsibility shall be to get the registration done with the State Pollution Control Board and file the required annual return to the Board or Pollution Control Committee on the basis of details received from SSA/field units.

(c) The auction of electronic exchanges of both fixed line and mobile network needs to be continued through MSTC only as per existing policy of BSNL.

Encl: Annexure-I.



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