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BHARAT SANCHAR NIGAM LIMITED
(A Govt. of India Enterprise)

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To

    All Chief General Managers,
    Telecom Circles/Districts

Subject: College connectivity under NMEICT Project.

Kindly refer to my earlier D.O. letter of even number dated 4th January, 2012, regarding the present status of college connectivity under NMEICT Project. In the referred DO letter, it was mentioned that the project is being monitored by Mr. Kapil Sibal, Hon'ble Minister of Communications & IT personally on regular basis. CMD BSNL has also taken a serious note of slow progress of college connectivity under NMEICT Project.
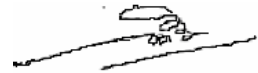
BSNL Corporate Office along with O/o CGM, STP has taken initiative in collaboration with Ministry of HRD to conduct Zonal review meetings with University Vice-Chancellors, NIT Directors, etc. There are two types of affiliated colleges under Universities which are slow in college connectivity. One types of colleges under Universities which are getting connected under NKN scheme (not under NMEICT project) and second type of colleges affiliated with universities getting connected under NMEICT project. It may be noted that all colleges (Government or Private) are to get connectivity under NMEICT project only. The following steps are suggested to improve the present status of slow college connectivity :-

i) We may call Vice-Chancellors of both NKN Universities and NMEICT Universities (where the college connectvity is low) at Circle Office. They may be explained about the importance of college connectivity, the advantage colleges are going to get out of it and the cost benefit analysis, which may promt the Universities to direct the colleges affiliated under them to go for college connectivity.

ii) Ask the senior officer (not less than JAG level) to attend University meetings where most of the college Principals may be called on regular basis. The slot of 10-15 minutes can be taken for a power point presentation in which the advantage of college connectivity under NMEICT can be explained and consent can be taken on the spot.

iii) Approximately 9000 colleges are being reported which do not have any computer with them. We may send BSNL officers again to these colleges and ask them to request for Aakash Tablet from Ministry of HRD which is available at a cost of Rs. 1,150/- only (after 50% discounted offered by Ministry of HRD). Those who get agreed, consent may be taken from these colleges and broadband VPN may be provided.

iv) A letter may be written to Vice-Chancellor of Universities, indicating the list of colleges which have not given consent till date. Vice-Chancellors may be requested to get their consent with immediate effect.

You are requested to kindly take action on all the steps mentioned above and a feedback on action taken may kindly be sent to this office latest by 30th of January, 2011.

This may be treated as **MOST URGENT.**

(ANIL JAIN)
Sr. GM (NWP-BB)

CC: 1) CMDs/Director (CFA) BSNL CO for kind information.
2) Addl. Secretary (TEL), MHRD, Delhi.
3) CGM, STP Chennai/CGM, BBNW for kind information and necessary action.
4) Intranet