No. A-11013/64/2012-Abs. Cell (V) Government of India Ministry of Communications & Information Technology Department of Telecommunications 20, Ashoka Road, Sanchar Bhawan, New Delhi-110001

Dated: the 11th March, 2013

Subject: Constitution of Surplus Staff Establishment (SSE) – Redeployment of Surplus Staff – regarding.

Through Order No. A-11013/36/2011-Abs. Cell dated 27th December, 2011, a Surplus Staff Establishment (SSE) was constituted under DDG (Establishment), Department of Telecommunications (DoT) for identifying Group 'A' officers of Indian Telecom Service (ITS) who have opted for Government service and are in excess of the requirement of DoT and declaring such officers as surplus for their redeployment through the Surplus Cell of the Government in the Department of Personnel & Training. The said SSE was constituted to implement the provisions of sub-rule (6) of CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972 which lays down that – "The employees who opt to revert to Government service shall be redeployed through the surplus cell of the Government."

- 2. However, the above order dated 27.12.2011 was stayed by Hon'ble Central Administrative Tribunal, Jaipur Bench by interim order dated 6.2.2012 in OA No. 77/2012 and by Hon'ble Central Administrative Tribunal, Hyderabad Bench by interim orders dated 15.2.2012 and 26.4.2012 in OA Nos. 69/2012 and 465/2012 respectively. The said stay orders are still in force.
- 3. In the meantime, the issues relating to absorption of Group 'A' officers including ITS officers in BSNL and MTNL have been considered by the Government. It has, interalia, been decided to complete the process of absorption of Group 'A' officers in BSNL and MTNL and also to exempt the Group 'A' officers who have opted for reversion to Government service from the provisions of sub-rule (6) of Rule 37-A of CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972. It has further been decided the services of such officers who are in excess of the current sanctioned strength in DoT after deployment in BSNL/MTNL may be utilized for meeting the requirements of DoT till the process of cadre review of the concerned Group 'A' services is completed. Thereafter, the officers in excess of the revised strength following cadre review of DoT shall be declared surplus as per DoP&T extant rules and instructions.
- 4. In view of the above decision, ITS officers in excess of the current sanctioned strength in DoT are no longer required to be declared surplus under sub-rule (6) of CCS (Pension), Rules, 1972. As such, the above-mentioned order dated 27.12.2011 constituting the Surplus Staff Establishment for ITS officers is hereby withdrawn.

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