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Sanchar Bhawan, 20, Ashoka Road New Delhi-01, Dated: 14-03-2024

## OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Vigilance Clearance for absorption in BSNL - case of Shri H S Sutaria, Retd. JTO, Gujarat Telecom Circle, BSNL - reg.

The undersigned is directed to refer to your letter no. 9-93/2000-Vig.I dated 28.04.2023 on the subject mentioned above. This office has received a letter no. AIBSNLREA/CHQ/2023/90 dated 15.11.2023 from Shri R R Balasubramanian , General Secretary of All India BSNL Retired Executives' Association on the above-mentioned subject (from STG-II Section on 07.03.24) requesting to release of all pensionary benefits and regularize suspension period of Shri H S Sutaria.

- 2. It is stated that the said official is an unabsorbed DoT employee who retired on 31.12.2011 while facing a CBI Case No. 09/1997. The said official has been acquitted from the said case vide order dated 31.05.2010. However, a Criminal Appeal No. 1452/2010 filed by State of Gujarat before the Hon'ble High Court, Gujarat is still pending against the said order of acquittal. Therefore, the official has not been granted Vigilance Clearance for purpose of issue of Presidential Order. The Association has referred to two other cases of Shri Surender Mohan Taneja and Shri Ram Autar Gautam, as precedence where the vigilance clearances were granted for issuing Presidential Orders subject to outcome of pending appeal in light of Pension Section letter No. 40-18/2019-Pen(T) dated 23.10.2019.
- 3. As the matter is related to grant of vigilance clearance/regularization of suspension period i.r.o. Shri H S Sutaria, this office has no role to play at this stage. The necessary action for issuance of Presidential Order will be taken after grant of vigilance clearance. Thus, the above-referred letter from Association is forwarded to you for taking further necessary action.

This issues with approval of the Competent Authority.

Yours faithfully,

Encl: As above

Signed by Kulbhushan

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