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Comrades,

No. TESA/CHQ/Circular/2008/02

In our last circular letter dated 30.06.2008, we had given you a brief account of certain developments concerning our Association. We had also informed you the action being taken to hold an extra general body meeting/all India Meet to discuss and decide the management of affairs of the Association. The extra-ordinary General Body meeting was being arranged as per the wishes expressed by some Circle Secretaries/CEC Members and CHQ Office bearers to 'discuss the need to dissolve the Association' in an extra ordinary General Body meeting to be convened at any convenient location. But the moment, we initiated action to convene the extra-ordinary General body meeting/all India Meet at Chennai, a few comrades started to oppose our initiative as per instruction from AIBSNLEA. They felt that Chennai is not a convenient location and wanted the GS to seek the approval of CEC to decide the location. They conveniently forgot that no approval of CEC is necessary to decide the venue of extra ordinary General Body meeting and further they themselves had requested to convene the same at any convenient location. The constitution of TESA (I) empowers the General Secretary to convene the same at any convenient location. There is nothing unconstitutional or unethical in convening the extra ordinary General Body meeting at Chennai which is certainly not an inconvenient location.

2. Meanwhile after we clarified to BSNL about the status of this Association and requesting them to issue a corrigendum to their letter dated 29.04.2004 which created a confusion in some persons, who are the important functionaries of AIBSNLEA, as if TESA (I) is merged with AIBSNLEA, they tried to make a point by stating that Kolkata CEC held in March 2004 had taken a decision for merger of TESA (I) and therefore our communication dated 26.06.2008 made to BSNL that there was no decision by the competent forum of this Association for merger is not correct. Copy of our said letter dated 26.06.2008 addressed to Director (HRD), BSNL was enclosed with our last circular letter dated 30.06.2008 and is also available in our website. These persons are not ready even to verify the provision in the constitution of TESA (I) to deal with the issues like merger/dissolution of the Association. The constitution of TESA (I) clearly says that decision on such issues has to be taken in accordance with Section 12 and 13 of

the Societies Registration Act 1860. Accordingly, the CEC has no power to decide this issue. In fact in Kolkata CEC the issue was not even discussed. Therefore, an All India Meet is the only place where such claims and counter claims can be sorted out. But here also some people want to dictate their terms. This is unfortunate.

- 3. In the mean time, there had been an attempt for unauthorized entry and occupation of TESA Bhawan as a part of a well designed plan drawn much in advance without the knowledge of those who are not in the inner circle of AIBSNLEA before their stated Circle Secretaries/CHO Office bearers Meet in New Delhi. This was attempted to be executed at the time of the stated Circle Secretaries and CHQ Office bearers meeting on 12th July 2008 by involving the circle secretaries and others most of whom were not even had an idea about the secret plan. But the precautionary measures taken before hand by us could save the situation. When the matter was reported in our website and which received universal condemnation, it was told that they visited TESA Bhawan just to have a glimpse of that building. But they failed to answer why they did not inform the General Secretary, TESA (I) who is the custodian of the building in advance, if their program was really to have a mere glimpse of TESA Bhawan. But they now admit that they are taking collective action to recover the assets of TESA (I).
- 4. Now a days in AIBSNLEA website, appearance of letters addressed to General Secretary, TESA (I) written by few selected old TESA comrades who are now the important functionaries of AIBSNLEA is a regular feature. These are all sponsored by the leadership of AIBSNLEA. At least in one such case, the Financial Secretary of AIBSNLEA had said that he had to make corrections to one of these letters, since there had been many mistakes in it. His statement is found to be correct since the letter from the same person received in the e-mail by the General Secretary, TESA (I) and the one appearing in AIBSNLEA website are not the same. Thus one can easily understand that who are engineering these letters. The contents of these letters are nothing but personal slurs with wild allegations. Though these letters do not call for any attention, two of these letters have been replied by the General Secretary, TESA (I) to straighten certain facts. These are now available in the website of TESA (I). However, copies of the same are also enclosed with this circular letter for ready reference.
- 5. Any how, despite the attempts being made to derail our effort to convene an All India Meet, we are determined to conduct the same. The provisions of the constitution of TESA (I) and law of the land will be strictly followed for the purpose. We have no intention to allow the present impasse to be continued. We seek for your cooperation for smooth conduct of the all India Meet. We also do not require any other organizations' assistance. We are capable of doing it for ourselves.

- 6. In our last circular letter dated 30.06.2008 (also available in our website) at Para 9, we had requested all our circles/branches to follow certain actions which are necessary for early convening of the All India Meet. We had also requested them to submit the audited accounts of the branches/circles duly approved by the competent body. They were also requested to send the details of the assets of TESA (I) available with them. It may be noted that we have not asked for transfer of funds or assets. The Circles Secretaries are once again requested to do the needful. All of us must remember that as the custodian of public property, we have got certain responsibilities to be discharged.
- 7. Our CHQ Office Bearers may meet very shortly to discuss the views/opinions expressed by our comrades in regard to holding of the all India Meet and the constitutional and legal aspects in regard to the affairs of the Association. It will chalk out the further courses of action accordingly.

With best wishes,

Yours comradely,

(S Basu) General Secretary

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All CHQ Office Bearers/Circle Secretaries/CEC Members, TESA(I).