



# SANCHAR NIGAM PENSIONERS' WELFARE ASSOCIATION

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**A special note from Dilip Saha, Advisor SNPWA/WB (a BSNL Executives' Pensioners' Association), to Com. Soumya Dutta, GS SBIOA, on his superannuation-Nov 30<sup>th</sup> 2022.**

Dear Com. Soumya Dutta,

It's nostalgia to recall a significant day in August 2017 at the Institute of Engineers, Gokhale Road, Kolkata, to see the introductory relationship between the State Bank of India Officers' Association (SBIOA) and the Sanchar Nigam Executives' Association (SNEA), an outfit of BSNL, bloom under your broad vision and magnanimous gesture to bind the financial and non-financial public sectors under AIPCOC. Well, the initiative had started at Chennai followed by a call to me to host a program to provide steam to AIPCOC/WB. Though, it did not gather the desired momentum then, yet, a special camaraderie developed in our joint trade union activities, with a subtle intimacy that has kept us inextricably bonded to this day

We can't help but acknowledge your outstanding leadership and broad outlook in extending support and resources in small steps in a bid to keep BSNL relevant against government's apathy and arrest its further decline. We owe SBIOA for your instrumental role and laudable effort in leveraging SBI premises to sell BSNL products and promote the same among PSU banks and other government entities. The motto "make PSUs standby PSUs" was indeed prudent and farsighted. It was a sincere attempt to save government sectors to the best of our efforts on a plank of mutual cooperation.

In due recognition of your contribution towards growth in the trade union fraternity across sectors and for preserving an emotional tie with BSNL, the Sanchar Nigam Pensioners' Welfare Association (SNPWA)/WB records its deepest appreciation for your remarkable vision and the noble act of handing down the legacy without compromising on trade union ethics while preserving its ethos in true spirit. SNEA/SNPWA is deeply indebted to SBIOA/WB for standing by at times of need for mutual benefit.

On this significant day of your retirement, we do not wish to bid you farewell but observe it as a day of reassurance of continued comradeship with the same vigour and ideals. It's a day to cherish the memories and pray for your good health, peace, and happiness in the new chapter that begins today. I wish you a long life full of activity, laughter, and happiness with family and friends.

with best wishes and warm regards.

  
Com. Srikanta Awon, CS/SNPWA/WBC