ARTEE had series of Meetings on LPT Closure

ARTEE central Office is fully aware about the apprehension of our Members on the news of closure of LPTs. The half cooked information for gaining political mileage to increase Membership by some immature people has also added to this fear. ARTEE has been making its sincere efforts to save terrestrial transmission since last 6 to 8 years.

Today(23.10.17) ARTEE had a series of Meetings with ADG(E), Sh.O.K.Sharma ji, ADG(E), AVM NZ Sh. A.K.Singh ji and ADG(TVM, NZ Sh. S.S.Tyagi ji. Occasion was to introduce Central and North Zone Body of ARTEE. We utilized this opportunity to get latest information in this matter.

Meeting with Sh. A.K.Singh, ADG(E), AVM and EPC

We first met Sh. A.K.Singh ji, ADG (E), AVM and collected information from him about co sited FM and LPTs. ADG (E) welcomed central and zonal office bearers and expressed his happiness. Other issues about staff matters discussed. Sh. Singh suggested to discuss with ADG(E) TVM about LPT Closure issue.



Sh. A.K.Singh, ADG(E), AVM and EPC, North Zone in discussion with ARTEE



President ARTEE explaining a point. Sh. G.D.Sharma, DDG(E) and Sh. Ram Prakash, DDE are also taking part in discussion.

Meeting with Sh. S.S.Tyagi, ADG(E), TVM North Zone.

After the first meeting we met Sh. Satyavir Singh Tyagi ji, ADG(E), TVM North Zone. He also welcomed the newly elected office bearers of ARTEE and gave vital information. It was informed to us that, a detailed report is being prepared and it will be sent to DG-DD. The Report will go to PB and then Hon'ble MIB. He fully assured to co operate in case of displacement of staff if any. He said the staff concerns will be given ample considerations.



Sh. S.S.Tyagi, ADG(E), TVM North Zone explaining the LPT Issue.



Meeting with Sh. O.K.Sharma ji, ADG(E), DG DD

ARTEE had meeting with Sh.O.K.Sharma ji, ADG(E), DG DD, who is handling the entire issues of closure of Analogue Transmission. He gave very vital information which will be useful in handling the issue.

First of all it is to be clarified that this is not the closure of terrestrial transmission, but this is only about closure of Analogue transmitters of Doordarsan, which have crossed their lives way back. Analogue transmitters will be replaced by new digital transmitters. TRAI has set a deadline of 2023 to do this. The LPTs which have not crossed shelf lives are unlikely to be closed. This number is around 110+.

Even the proposal to close 387 VLPTs is not approved which was sent by DG – DD.

The Coverage of Area will be retained as it is either by HPTs or LPTs. A proposal to commission new HPT also in pipe line

Considerations like Extremist Activities like LWE, Border Areas etc are also being kept in Mind.

Prasar Bharati has asked a feasibility Report and DG DD has subsequently asked Zonal ADG(E) to send it. This Report is likely to be submitted by the end of this Month.

A healthy sign is that entire Engineering fraternity except few darlings of Management is opposing the closure. As per information Engg. Side has expressed its desire not to close it until ordered from higher side. Sh.O.K.Sharma also assured to keep staff concern on top priority.

So overall situation is not so grim as being projected by a social media Association. ARTEE is fully aware and if required we shall not hesitate from going for Agitational measures along with other similar Associations like ADTEA and ADEA.

In today's meetings it was ARTEE all the way. Sh. L.R.Gupta organized all meetings. Apart from President Sh. Umesh Chandra, Sh. Manoj Gupta, Gen.Secy., Sh. Dinesh Chand, Addl.G.S., Sh. Rajesh Gautam, Treasurer, Sh. S.M.Sharma, Asstt. Treasurer, Sh. Dinesh Nirmal, Secy. SEA/SE, Sh. Anup Katiyar, Secy. Sr.Tech/Tech, Sh. L.R.Gupta, VP(NZ), Sh. Raj Veer Sharma, AGS(AIR), NZ, Sh. S.P. Dubey, Jt.Secy. (SEA/EA) NZ, Sh.S.P.Singh, State Secy. Delhi, Sh. Joginder Dahiya, Org. Secy. NZ, Sh. S.K.Nim, ZARO, NZ were present.

We assure all Members that ARTEE is fully aware of sensitivity of the issue and will handle it with utmost sincerity but at the same time transmitters; we also want to caution Member not to be on unnecessarily panic due to immature and half cooked information through some Membership hungry Associations.



ARTEE Meeting with Sh.O.K.Sharma ji. Sh. Aftab Ahmed, DDG(E) also present.



Sh. O.K.Sharma, ADG(E) Explaining the issue in detail.



A candid and lighter movement during discussion.