



# SANCHAR NIGAM EXECUTIVES' ASSOCIATION

## KERALA CIRCLE

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To

Sh. C V Vinod,  
Chief General Manager Telecom,  
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Respected Sir,

### **Sub: Posting of Executives/ Staff at Lakshadweep Islands in EKM BA, reg:**

At the outset, we thank Circle Administration for considering our suggestion to call volunteers from Executives for getting posted to Lakshadweep Islands, a hard tenure station in Ernakulam BA. However, it is learnt that none of the executives have given options for posting in the Islands, which itself is a clear indication about the various hardships being faced by people who get posted to Lakshadweep Islands, in spite of some monetary benefits.

We may have a look at the present working connections in the Lakshadweep islands as given below.

<b>XGE</b>	<b>ADT</b>	<b>AGT</b>	<b>AMN</b>	<b>BTR</b>	<b>CHL</b>	<b>KDM</b>	<b>KLP</b>	<b>KLT</b>	<b>KVR</b>	<b>MNY</b>	<b>TOTAL DELS</b>
<b>DELS</b>	360	274	356	11	105	383	302	115	1158	808	<b>3857</b>

In this regard, we would like to reiterate the considered opinion of our members, who are executives undertaking similar or more responsibilities than taken by those who are posted to LD Islands, that the posting of more than one SDE or DE to Lakshadweep Islands wouldn't be a prudent one, considering the available man power and the assets maintained in LD Islands. At present, out sourcing has been awarded for cluster and infra maintenance for all exchanges in the Islands and hence the available manpower including 4 JTOs, 4 JEs, and 10 TTs have to concentrate mostly on indoor activities other than infra maintenance. Unlike in the main land, there are no digging or additional marketing activities required in LD islands at present. As the backhaul to various network elements in LD islands is via satellite, maintenance requirements are also limited compared to other conventional transmission networks. Also, all major satellite related activities are handled by STR and STP only. The total operational area comprising of more than 30 islands is just 30 sq. k.m out of which BSNL is having presence only in 10 islands. Moreover, most of the operational area is within walkable distance only.

The CEC meeting of SNEA held on 22 April 2020 through Video Conference had detailed deliberations on the subject and decided to request the Circle Head not to ignore the considered opinion of this Association which is based on facts and figures alone and not to consider posting more than one SDE or DE to LD Islands. We are sure that the CGMT would value the above considered opinion of its members of this Association shouldering the entire middle level managerial, administrative and technical responsibilities with utmost commitment and dedication.

Thanking You,

Sincerely Yours

**Jithesh K P**  
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