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Department of Telecommunications  
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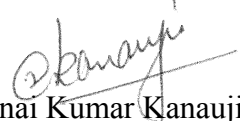
New Delhi, Dated the 9<sup>th</sup> April' 2015

Subject: Hosting of Websites and applications on NIC Cloud (MeghRaj)

Kindly find enclosed herewith a copy of Department of Electronics & Information Technology D.O. No. NIC/Cloud/2015-DCWS(Pt.) dated 29.03.2015 on the subject cited above for information/ necessary action.

Detailed information in respect of NIC Cloud initiative (MeghRaj) may be seen at <https://cloud.gov.in/index.php> .

Enclosure: As above

  
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March 29, 2015

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**Dear Secretary**

It has come to my notice that certain difficulties were experienced by Central Government Ministries/Departments in hosting their applications/websites on NIC Cloud. Some of the common difficulties which have been shared are as follows:

- (i) NIC is charging for hosting services on NIC Cloud.
- (ii) There is huge amount of delay in getting applications/websites hosted on NIC Cloud.

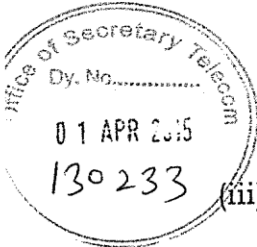
2. In this regard, I would like to inform that we have recently taken the following decisions which will ensure smooth onboarding for Ministries/Departments on to NIC Cloud.

- (i) There shall be no hosting charges for using NIC Cloud.
- (ii) Security testing of websites and portals prior to hosting is desirable. However, in case of exigencies, NIC has made available a separate provision within the NIC Cloud where untested websites/applications can be hosted without testing by the Departments at owners' risk.
- (iii) NIC Data Centre shall henceforth not be providing co-hosting/co-location facilities because of the Cloud facility being offered by it.

3. In view of the above, I would request that Ministries/Departments should not provision for their backend infrastructure and use the NIC Cloud invariably.

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4. Necessary instructions to your officers undertaking development of applications and websites may be issued in this regard. NIC has also nominated Cloud Coordinators for each Department, who will facilitate your officers in availing NIC Cloud services.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

  
(RS Sharma)

**To all Secretaries of Ministries/ Departments.**