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To

All Internet Service Providers Licensees Granted Under Guidelines dated 24.08.2007

Subject: Amendment relating to procurement of Telecommunication equipment in Internet Service Provider (ISP) Licenses granted as per 24.08.2007 guidelines.

In pursuance of Condition No. 5.1 of the Internet Service Provider Licenses granted under the guidelines dated 24.08.2007, LICENSOR hereby appends the following sub-clause number 34.29 in Security Conditions (Condition 34, Part VI) in the said ISP License Agreement as under:

"34.29. The Government through the Designated Authority will have the right to impose conditions for procurement of Telecommunication Equipment on grounds of Defence of India, or matters directly or indirectly related thereto, for national security. Designated Authority for this purpose shall be National Cyber Security Coordinator. In this regard, the licensee shall provide any information as and when sought by the Designated Authority.

Designated Authority shall notify the categories of equipment for which the security requirement related to Trusted Sources are applicable. For the said categories of equipment, Designated Authority shall notify the Trusted Sources along with the associated Telecommunication Equipment (Trusted Products). The Designated Authority may also notify a list of Designated Sources from whom no procurement can be done. Procedure for inclusion of Telecommunication Equipment in the list of Trusted Sources will be issued by the Designated Authority.

With effect from 15th June 2021, the licensee, shall only connect Trusted Products in its network and also seek permission from Designated Authority for upgradation of existing Network utilizing the Telecommunication Equipment not designated as Trusted Products. However, these directions will not affect ongoing Annual Maintenance Contracts (AMC) or updates to existing equipment already inducted in the network as on date of effect.

The licensees shall comply with the Guidance for Enhanced Supervision and Effective Control of Telecommunication Networks, as per guidelines to be issued by the licensor."

2. This amendment shall be part and parcel of Internet Service Provider (ISP) Licenses granted as per 24.08.2007 guidelines. All other terms and conditions shall remain unchanged.

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