No. DS-16/20/2022-DS-III Government of India Ministry of Communications Department of Telecommunications Sanchar Bhawan, 20, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001 (Data Services Cell)

Dated: 25-08-2022

Subject:-Reduction in Compliance Burden of ISPs -regarding.

This is with reference to the request of ISPAI vide their letter dated 28.6.22, inter-alia, regarding the following:

- a. Items in the Inspection proforma for ISPs which can be tested Centrally from Network Operation Centre (NOC) of ISP need not be tested at each LSA.
- 2. In above reference, it is clarified as follows:
 - i. "Unified License with ISP Authorization for category A / Category A ISP license is for All India operations and is not on Telecom Circle / Metro City Service Area basis. It is understood that many of such Licensees have installed some network elements which cater to more than 1 LSAs.

In this reference, it is clarified that network elements which are catering to more than one LSA may be tested /inspected as per the inspection schedule of the Licensee by the LSA where the said network element is located. Other LSAs, to whom the said network element is catering to, may join the said testing / inspection physically/ via Video Conferencing. However, such network elements need not be retested / inspected by each of the LSAs for the same inspection schedule/cycle. In this regard, the details may be decided by DGT HQ from time to time.

Further, it is pertinent to mention here that those network elements which are installed in a particular LSA and serving to that LSA only, may be inspected/tested by the concerned LSA as per the inspection schedule/cycle.

Note: Para 2(i) above is only in respect of non security related testing/inspection.

ii. Further, till the reporting module of Saral Sanchar is operational, and the operator has migrated to Saral Sanchar, the reports / information to be submitted by ISP category A Licensees, as a part of inspection schedule, may be sent via email to each of the LSAs."

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To

All Unified Licensees with ISP Authorization for category A / Category A ISP licensees

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- 2. **JS(T)**
- 3. DDG(AS)/DDG(CS)/DDG (Satellite)
- 4. All LSAs, DOT
- 5. ISPAI / COAI