800- 43/2010-VAS Government of India Ministry of Communications & Information Technology Department of Telecommunications (Access Services Cell) Sanchar Bhawan, 20, Ashoka Road New Delhi – 110 001

Dated: 15th November, 2010

To

All Basic/CMTS/UAS Licensees

Subject: Instructions related to National Anthem

It has been brought to the notice of DOT that Service Providers are providing the facility of playing National Anthem as ring back tone. It has been reported that the provision of ring back tone as national anthem Anthem do not comply with the Prevention of Insults to National Honour Act, 1971 and executive instructions relating to National Anthem.

The Licensees are hereby directed to ensure that services provided by them comply with provisions of the above Act and executive orders. Any violation of the same shall be taken as violation of terms and conditions of License Agreement.

(Vinod Kumar) Director (AS-II)

Copy To:

- 1. Secretary, TRAI
- 2. Wireless Advisor/Advisor Economics/ Sr. DDG(WPF)/ Sr.DDG(TEC)
- 3. DDG(Security)/DDG(CS)/DDG(DS)/DDG(LF)/DDG(IP)/JS(T)
- 4. COAI/AUSPI
- 5. Director (IT) may kindly arrange to upload this letter on DoT's website.