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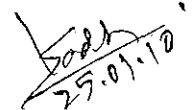
Subject: Amendment to the Guidelines for grant of Licence for operating Internet Service dated 24th August, 2007

In exercise of the power vested in the Licensor under para 35 of **Guidelines for grant of Licence for operating Internet Service dated 24th August, 2007**, inter-alia, reserving the right to modify at any time the terms and conditions of these Guidelines, in public interest, in the interest of the security of the state or for the proper conduct of the telegraph, the Licensor hereby modify, by substituting para 9 and 23 respectively with immediate effect, with the following para(s) of the said Guidelines, namely:-

9. The one time entry fee of Rs. 30 lakhs for Category-A Internet Service Licence & Rs. 15 lakhs for Category-B Internet Service Licence is to be paid before signing of the licence agreement.
23. **Validity of the License :**
- i. The validity of licence agreement is initially for a period of twenty years unless otherwise terminated.
 - ii. ISP licence under guidelines dated 24-08-2007 on migration, shall have the validity initially for a period of fifteen years unless otherwise terminated.
 - iii. The Licensor may extend, if deemed expedient, the period of the Licence by 5 years on each occasion, upon request of the Licensee, if made during the penultimate year of the licence period on payment of an additional entry fee of Rs. 10 lakhs and Rs. 5 lakhs for category 'A' and category 'B' ISPs respectively and on the terms decided by the Licensor from time to time. The decision of the LICENSOR shall be final in this regard.

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- iv. Extension of the ISP Licences, issued under guidelines dated 24-08-2007, shall also be granted as per the provisions in para 23(iii) above.
- v. ISPs having an Internet licence prior to 24-08-2007 shall not be renewed without migration under provisions of guidelines dated 24-08-2007. However, these licences may be allowed to migrate, at least one year prior to the expiry of their licence period of 15 years, to either category 'A' or category 'B' ISP licence under the guidelines dated 24-08-2007.


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