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“TRAI conducted Seminar on “Smart Phone Usage in Internet Age”


New Delhi, 7th February, 2018: One of the important objectives of TRAI is to create awareness and safeguard consumer interests. Towards this objective, TRAI organizes consumer outreach programmes, regional workshops on capacity building of Consumer Advocacy Groups(CAGs) registered with TRAI and seminars on issues of consumer interest and protection. In this series, TRAI organized a Seminar on the topic “**Smart Phone Usage in Internet Age**” on 2nd February, 2018 at Hotel Dayal Paradise, Lucknow (UP), through its regional office Bhopal.

2. The Seminar was inaugurated by Shri Anil Kaushal, Member, TRAI. Delivering his keynote address on the occasion, Shri Anil Kaushal spoke how smartphones are facilitating internet penetration and growth of data consumption in the country, revolutionising various sectors of economy like health, agriculture, education etc., fuelling “app” economy and even assisting persons with disabilities. He emphasised that smartphones are enabling consumers to become part of digital eco-system, helping in bridging the digital divide; becoming an enabler of growth and tools to achieve vision of digital India of our Hon’ble Prime Minister. He further dwelt upon various safeguards to be kept in mind while using a smart phone.

3. In the Seminar topics like Smartphone Usage, Mobile governance, Digital Payments, Mobile Security, Role of Smart Phone in Societal Development, and E-KYC were presented by distinguished speakers drawn from various departments of state government, NPCI, NEC, IIM Lucknow and Department of Telecommunications. The participants were benefited from the engaging discussion/interaction during the seminar.

4. Around 250 participants from Lucknow Management Association, Assocham, Bharat Jyoti, Consumer Guild, NGOs, Educational institutions, Members of Industry and Consumer Advocacy Groups (CAGs) attended the seminar.

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