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Reference: Phasing out of IUC

Sir,

Low calling cost is a requirement for the majority of this country. A large part of country's population is still not able to afford the telecom services. This low cost can be achieved through deployment of efficient technologies.

It is therefore unthinkable to see possibility of continuation of IUC as it will amount to moving in opposite direction and protecting and promoting inefficient technologies by providing them extra revenue from customers in form of IUC.

Continuation of IUC will condemn India to continue in digital dark ages of 2G technology because operators would have every incentive to continue their 2G and 3G network riding on the back of IUC support. And citizens of this country will be made to cough up extra money for keeping these outdated networks going.

Sir, it will be a great disservice to the country. I request you to kindly stick to your great decision to continue IUC beyond 1st January 2020 for the sake of this country and its one billion+ citizens.

Yours truly
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