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Letter No.: BSNLCO-RGLN/5/2021-REGLN dated 04-09-2024.

Subject: Draft of Telecom Tariff Order (70th Amendment), 2024 on Regulatory Framework for PM-Wani scheme.

This is in reference to the Draft of Telecom Tariff Order (70th Amendment), 2024 on Regulatory Framework for PM-Wani scheme. In this regard, the following submitted for consideration of the Authority.

Internet Leased Lines and FTTH broadband both are able to provide a high-speed internet connection. However, there are variations between them that affect the user experience. ILLs are more stable because of these variations. However, the size of end users and kind of usage (like softwares, programmes etc) will eventually determine if one can use a leased line or a FTTH broadband connection.

Internet Leased Line and FTTH Broadband Connections vary in many ways however the ILL is considered to be more reliable than FTTH because it guarantees a certain level of service and QoS. ILL is a good choice for businesses that need a connection for multiple people whereas FTTH broadband is better suited for limited users at home. The Performance and QoS of ILL are better than that of FTTH broadband. The establishment cost for network for ILL is also higher. Therefore, the pricing of the ILL tariffs goes higher than FTTH broadband.

In view of the DoTs PM-WANI project to provide public Wi-Fi service through Public Data offices (PDOs) to accelerate proliferation of Broadband Internet services through public Wi-Fi network in the Country, BSNL has already devised special ILL Tariff Plans for PDOs under PM-WANI project. In this, the ILL is delivered to the customer thru last mile GPON network, which is sometimes confused with FTTH Broadband.

BSNL can provide connections to PDOs on ILL as well as FTTH on their demand on the separate tariffs already offered for ILL and FTTH broadband.

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