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Telecom Regulatory Authority of India

TRAI releases Consultation Paper on the 'Framework for Service Authorisations to be Granted Under the Telecommunications Act, 2023

New Delhi, 11th July 2024 — The Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) has today released a Consultation Paper on the **'Framework for the Service Authorisations to be Granted Under the Telecommunications Act, 2023'**.

The Department of Telecommunications (DoT) through a letter dated 21.06.2024 informed TRAI that the Telecommunications Act, 2023 has been published in the Official Gazette of India; Section 3(1)(a) of the Act provides for obtaining an authorisation by any entity/ person intending to provide telecommunication services, subject to such terms and conditions, including fees or charges, as may be prescribed. DoT also shared a background note on related aspects in this regard, including relevant sections of the new Act that may have a bearing on the terms and conditions of authorisations.

- 2. DoT through the said letter dated 21.06.2024, under Section 11(1)(a) of the TRAI Act, 1997 (as amended), requested TRAI to provide its recommendations on terms and conditions, including fees or charges, for authorisation to provide telecommunication services as per the provisions of the Telecommunications Act 2023.
- 3. In this regard, a Consultation Paper on **'Framework for the Service Authorisations to be Granted Under the Telecommunications Act, 2023'** has been placed on the TRAI's website (www.trai.gov.in) for seeking comments/ counter comments from stakeholders. Written comments on the issues raised in the Consultation Paper are invited from stakeholders by 1st August 2024 and counter-comments by 8th August 2024, respectively.
- 4. The Comments/ Counter Comments may be sent, preferably in electronic form, at advmn@trai.gov.in. For any clarification/information, Shri Akhilesh Kumar Trivedi, Advisor (Networks, Spectrum & Licensing), TRAI may be contacted at telephone number +91-11-20907758.

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