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Sanchar Bhawan, New Delhi- 110001. Dated: 22nd May, 2018

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:- Clarification regarding the scope of Indian Telegraph Right of Way Rules, 2016.

With reference to Indian Telegraph Right of Way (RoW) Rules, 2016 which were notified on 15th November, 2016, it is clarified that under clause 2(d) of the said Rules, "licensee" includes Infrastructure Provider Category I (IP-I) authorised to establish and maintain the assets such as Dark fibres, Right of Way, Duct space and tower for the purpose of granting the same on lease/rent/sale basis to the licensees of Telecom services licensed under Section 4 of the Indian Telegraph Act, 1885 on mutually agreed terms and conditions.

2. It is reiterated that the IP-I registrants shall in no case work and operate or provide telegraph service, including end to end bandwidth as defined in the Indian Telegraph Act, 1885 either to any service provider or any other customer.

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