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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY,
DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS,
LICENSING FINANCE-II, 716, SANCHAR BHAWAN,
20, ASHOKA ROAD, NEW DELHI.

Dated: 21.03.2016.

To

All Pr. CsCA & CsCA

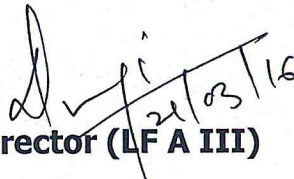
Sub.- Revenue treatment of data roaming as part of Intra-circle roaming thereof.

CCA office, Rajasthan and M/s Sistema Shyam Teleservices Ltd., through various representations, have sought clarifications whether data roaming charges, actually paid to other Telecom Service Providers and claimed as deductions through quarterly statements of Revenue and License Fee (AGR statements) by the Licensees, are admissible as deductions within the scope of Clause 19.2 of the UAS License Agreement. In this regard, AS Branch has clarified as follows:

"There is no difference in voice & data feature while roaming. The roaming is inherent characteristic of Mobile Service wherein subscriber can avail service outside home network. Roaming charges paid to other operators whether for voice or data or intra or inter-circle is to be treated alike".

The same may be allowed as deduction.

This issues with the approval of competent authority.


Director (LF A III)

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1. Sr. DDG, LF-P, DoT (HQs), Sanchar Bhawan, New Delhi.
2. DDG, AS Division, DoT (HQs), Sanchar Bhawan, New Delhi.
3. Director (LF A I/LF A II/LF A III).
4. All TSPs.