

## **Advisory on the proper use of Wireless jammer and booster/ repeater:**

### **Wireless jammers:**

Wireless jammer or signal jammer intentionally jams/ blocks authorized signals such as cellular communications (2G/3G/4G etc.), personal communications (WiFi etc.), navigational communications (GPS etc.) by radiating strong radio energy of similar frequencies.

**The use of such jammer, GPS blocker or other signal jamming device is generally illegal, except specifically permitted by Government of India.**

Currently, only States/ UTs, Defence Forces, Central Police Organizations can procure (only models approved by Government of India) and use jammers. Examination conducting bodies under Union Government/ State Government/ Union Territory are also allowed to install jammers (from authorized vendors & approved models) after prior permission from competent authority as mentioned in the guidelines. The detailed guidelines in this regard are available at <https://cabsec.gov.in/others/jammerpolicy/>. **Private sector organizations and/ or private individuals cannot procure/ use jammers in India.**

**It is also unlawful to advertise, sell, distribute, import or otherwise market jammers in India, except as permitted under the above guidelines.**

### **Signal repeaters/ boosters:**

A mobile signal booster/ repeater is a kind of amplifier, apparently used to improve cell phone signal reception. However, unauthorized use of mobile phone boosters can adversely interfere with, disrupt public telecommunication services by jeopardizing the quality and coverage of such services. This, not only cause inconvenience to mobile phone users but can also **hamper access to emergency call services from mobile phones, which creates a risk to public health and safety.**

**It is unlawful to possess, sale, and/ or use mobile signal repeater/ booster by any individual/ entity** other than the licensed Telecom Service. In case, consumers are experiencing problems with the quality of service/ connectivity issue, the concerned TSP should be contacted to address the issue.

### **Applicable Laws:**

The Indian Telegraph Act, 1885 (Section 20 & others);  
The Indian Wireless Telegraphy Act, 1933 (Section 6, 6.1 & others);  
The Information Technology Act, 2000;  
Any other Security Guidelines/ provisions of the Government;

**Note:** If you have any information i.r.t. unlawful possession/ sale/ use of the above devices, please inform Wireless Monitoring Organization (WMO), Department of Telecom for necessary action in the matter. Contact telephone and e-mail of WMO for this purpose is as follows:

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