

**Government of India
Ministry of Communications
Department of Telecommunications
Access Services Wing
20, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001**

Letter No. 10-02/2011-AS-III/Monitoring/74/646

Dated: 07/04/2017

To,

All Unified Licenses/Access Service Providers.

Reference – DoT letter 10-15/2011-AS.III(21),(22),(23),(24) & (25) dated 31/05/2011

Subject: Extension of time for Security Certification of Telecom Equipment within India in respect of License Amendment dated 31/05/2011 for security related concerns for expansion of Telecom Services in various zones of the country.

Kindly refer to Access Service Licence Amendments dated 31/05/2011 issued vide above referred DoT letters wherein one of the clause in these licence amendments states as under:-

“The license shall induct only those network elements into his telecom network, which have been got tested as per relevant contemporary Indian or International Security Standards e.g. IT and IT related elements against ISO/IEC 15408 standards, for information Security Management System against ISO 27000 series Standards Telecom and Telecom related elements against 3GPP security standards, 3GPP2 security standards etc. from any international agency/labs of the standards e.g. Common Criteria Labs in case of ISO/IEC 15408 standards until 31st March, 2013 the certification shall be got done only from authorized and certified agencies/labs in India. The copies of test results and test certificates shall be kept by the licensee for a period of 10 years from the date of procurement of equipment.”

2. As per above clause, the certification was to be done from 01/04/2013. Subsequently the date was extended to 01/04/2017 vide letter No. 10-02/2011/AS.III/Monitoring/71/208 dated 22/06/2016.
3. Now, all Access Service Providers and all Unified Licensees are intimated that the requirement of security certification of telecom equipment only from authorized and certified agencies/labs within India has been extended further period of twelve months from 1st April, 2017 to 1st April, 2018.

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6. ADG (IT) with request to kindly upload on DoT Website.
7. Respective License Agreement files.

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