## No. 36-02/2014-SU Ministry of Communication & IT Dept. of Telecommunication SU Section

Sanchar Bhawan, 20, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110 001. Dated: 21.09.2014

Mr. Harischandra Kishanrao Gaikwad, House No. 5/725/2, Vishal Nagar, Jagtap Dairy, Pune, Maharashtra – 411027.

Subject: RTI application dated 16.06.2014 by Mr. Harischandra Kishanrao Gaikwad under RTI Act 2005.

Please refer to your RTI application dated 16.06.2014 and DoT's letter of even number dated 24.06.2014.

2. Reply of M/s TCL has been received stating that they are not a Public Authority under the provisions of the RTI Act, and therefore, cannot disclose any confidential information pertaining to any of its employees, either directly or indirectly. Such a disclosure will constitute breach of confidentiality obligations of TCL vis-s-vis its employees and/or other stakeholders.

3. M/s TCL has further stated that under Section 2(f) of the RTI Act, any public authority is only obliged to share any information relating to a private body, which is, otherwise, available with it in its capacity as such authority/regulator as per applicable laws. Therefore, seeking "Information" from any private body by Public Authority vide reference to Section 2(f) of the RTI Act, is not envisaged.

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