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All Access Service Providers

Subject: Modification in routing of short code '1098' as Children in difficult situation helpline allocated to Ministry of Women & Child Development.

Incontinuation to DoT letter dated 06.07.2023 (copy enclosed) wherein it was requested to route short code 1098 allocated to Ministry of Women & Child Development, New Delhi as "Children in difficult situation Helpline" to nine States/ UTs, it is decided to route 1098 calls for two more states i.e. Tamil Nadu and Kerala from the existing routing procedure to CDAC owned Toll Free Numbers as per the details below:

S No.	State	Toll Free Number
1	Tamil Nadu	1800-599-1471
2	Kerala	1800-425-01098

- 2. Routing for all other states shall remain same as earlier.
- All other features shall remain same.
- All are requested to take necessary action.
- This is issued with the approval of DDG (AS).

Signed by Sanchifenshildfurgargarg) Date: 31-07-2025 (45:58:50

Copy forwarded for information and necessary action, if any, to:

Secretary, TRAI.

CMD MTNL/ CMD BSNL.

Ms. Indra Mallo, Joint Secretray, MoW&CD vide letter dated 27.07.2023 with a request to appoint a nodal officer to implement the helpline. The Nodal

officer may contact Sr. DDG (LSA), LSA Unit, for concerned States/UTs.
4. Director (NT), O/o DGT HQ, (respective LSA field may be asked to coordinate with respective Nodal Officers and TSPs for implementation of Helpline, as and when approached).

A copy for upload on DoT Website.