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TELECOM REGULATORY AUTHORITY OF INDIA

Consumer Outreach Program by TRAI through online mode

New Delhi, 31st March 2021: Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI), through its Regional Office Bengaluru, conducted online Consumer Outreach program on 24th March 2021 (Wednesday) for the telecom and broadcasting consumers.

2. One of the important objectives of TRAI is to safeguard consumer interests and create consumer awareness. Towards this objective, TRAI organizes consumer outreach programs in different parts of the country. In the current situation of Covid-19 Pandemic, it was decided to conduct such programs via online meeting platform where consumers can join while sitting at their home, shop, or office.

3. Representatives of Telecom Service Providers, CAGs, faculty & students of different colleges and other stake holders participated in the event.

4. During the program, consumers were informed about their rights with regard to various aspect of telecom services viz Tariff, Value Added Services (VAS), Data Services, Unsolicited Commercial Communications (UCC), Mobile Number Portability, Complaint Redressal Mechanism, etc. Consumers were also informed about various Mobile apps viz. TRAI myspeed app, TRAI my-call app and DND 2.0 app developed by TRAI for consumer empowerment. Consumers were also educated about how consumers can take benefit of these apps and TRAI analytic portal. Consumers were also informed about various frauds viz. Tower fraud, missed calls from ISD nos. etc. and how to remain careful. Consumers were also informed about recent amendment of broadcasting and cable services.

5. It was also informed about Channel selection App for the benefit of consumers so that consumer can see his subscription, add/delete channels and optimize his choice.

6. Shri Venkatesh Murthy, Director, Data Security Council of India spoke about Cyber Crimes during the program.

7. In case of any clarifications, Shri Sanjeev Banzal, Advisor (CA&IT), TRAI may be contacted at Telephone: 011-23210990 or email ID: advisorit@trai.gov.in.

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