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Dear Madam,

Telecommunication Industry has undergone paradigm change since the past decade, there have been considerable developments in the technology and exponential growth in the subscriber base. India is poised to be the world leader in the adoption of Artificial Intelligence (AI), Internet of Things (IoT), 5G, and Big Data Analytics etc. Most of the future technologies would ride on the telecom networks hence rapid adoption and deployment of these technologies would require a robust local telecom manufacturing support to reap the benefits of early mover.

- 2. The Authority, with the objective of realistically assessing India's true potential in equipment manufacturing and to arrive at the recommendations to the Government that would enable Indian telecom equipment manufacturing sector to transition from an import-dependent sector to a global hub of indigenous manufacturing had "Suo-motu" issued a consultation paper (CP) on "Promoting Local Telecom Equipment Manufacturing¹" on 18th September 2017. Written comments on the CP were invited from the stakeholders. An Open House Discussion (OHD) was also conducted on 14th March 2018 at New Delhi.
- 3. Comments and counter-comments received from the stakeholders along with the inputs received during the Open House Discussion were considered by the Authority before formulating the present recommendations. A copy of the recommendations is enclosed.

¹ https://trai.gov.in/sites/default/files/CP_on_Manufacturing_18_09_17.pdf

4. In keeping with practice, a copy of this letter is being placed on the website of the Authority (www.trai.gov.in)

This letter issues with the approval of the Authority.

With Warm regards.

Yours sincerely,

Encl: as above

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