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## TELECOM REGULATORY AUTHORITY OF INDIA

TRAI releases Consultation Paper on "Reserve Price for auction of FM Radio channels in New Cities"

**New Delhi, 6<sup>th</sup> February, 2015-** The Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) has today released a Consultation Paper on "Reserve Price for auction of FM Radio channels in New Cities".

- 2. The Ministry of Information and Broadcasting (MIB) sent a reference dated 16<sup>th</sup> December 2015 to the Authority, seeking recommendations of TRAI on reserve prices for 831 FM Radio channels in 264 new cities in the Phase-III. With this, the private FM Radio operations would be permissible in 350 cities.
- 3. Accordingly, this Consultation Paper (CP) has been prepared to seek the comments/views of the stakeholders on the issues related to estimation of the reserve prices for auction of FM Radio channels in new cities.
- 4. As part of the consultative process, the CP has been uploaded on the TRAI website. Stakeholders have been requested to offer their comments/ views latest by 25<sup>th</sup> February 2015. The comments may be sent, preferably in electronic form on the e-mail: sksinghal@trai.gov.in or vk.agarwal@trai.gov.in. For any clarification/ information, Mr. Sunil Kumar Singhal, Advisor (B & CS) may be contacted at Tel. No.: +91-11-23221509, Fax: +91-11-23232476. Comments will be posted on TRAI's website.
- 5. The full text of the consultation paper is available on TRAI's website www.trai.gov.in.

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