

## **Information Note to the Press (Press Release No. 14/2014)**

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### **Telecom Regulatory Authority of India**

**New Delhi, the 24<sup>th</sup> March, 2014:** Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) has today released a Consultation Paper on 'Review of Tariff for Domestic Leased Circuits (DLCs)'.

The ceiling tariffs for DLCs was last specified by the Authority through the Telecommunication Tariff (36<sup>th</sup> Amendment) Order, 2005 dated the 21<sup>st</sup> April, 2005. In view of the fact that the Indian telecom services market has witnessed a remarkable increase in the supply and demand of DLCs and significant advancements in the transmission technologies since the year 2005, the Authority decided to conduct a comprehensive review.

The consultation paper issued today, *inter-alia*, seeks inputs of the stakeholders on the methodology to compute cost-based ceiling tariffs for DLCs, appropriateness of separate ceiling tariffs for local-lead and trunk segment, need for separate ceiling tariffs for remote and hilly areas apart from the need for bringing virtual private networks (VPNs) under tariff regulations.

The consultation paper on 'Review of Tariff for Domestic Leased Circuits' has been uploaded on TRAI's website ([www.traigov.in](http://www.traigov.in)). The written comments on the issues raised in the consultation paper are invited from the stakeholders by the 14<sup>th</sup> April, 2014 and counter-comments by the 21<sup>st</sup> April, 2014. For any clarifications on the afore-said consultation paper, Shri Manish Sinha, Advisor (F&EA), Telecom Regulatory Authority of India, Mahanagar Doorsanchar Bhawan, Jawahar Lal Nehru Marg, New Delhi-110002 (Tel: +91-11-23230752 Fax: +91-11-23236650, email-id: [manishsinha@traigov.in](mailto:manishsinha@traigov.in)) may be contacted.

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