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Telecom Regulatory Authority of India

**Implementation of Telecommunication Mobile Number Portability
(Seventh Amendment) Regulations, 2018**

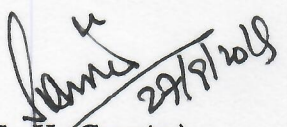
New Delhi, 27th September, 2019- Implementation of the Telecommunication Mobile Number Portability (Seventh Amendment) Regulations 2018.

2. The Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) has issued Telecommunication Mobile Number Portability (Seventh Amendment) Regulations, 2018 (9 of 2018) on 13th December 2018. As per these regulations, the revised Mobile Number Portability (MNP) process is scheduled to be in force w.e.f. 30th September 2019.

3. As per the discussions taken place during the meetings with Mobile Number Portability Service Providers (MNPSPs) and Telecom Service Providers (TSPs) on 17.09.2019 and 23.09.2019, it was suggested that robust testing should be performed before migration to the new process so that the subscribers are not inconvenienced later for any system related issues. The MNPSPs and TSPs informed that they still have to offer the Acceptance Testing to Department of Telecommunications (DoT) in some of the Licensed Service Areas (LSAs) and; therefore requested that additional time of 2 weeks is required for robust internal and Inter-Operator Testing (IOT) and additional 2-3 weeks will be required for the testing to be carried by respective TERM Cells of DoT. Further, an email received from TERM Cell, DoT Maharashtra LSA had indicated paucity of time to complete the testing before the 30th September 2019.

4. According to the responses provided by TSPs, MNPSPs and DoT; the Authority vide notification dated 27th September 2019 has extended the timeline for implementation of Telecommunication Mobile Number Portability (Seventh Amendment) Regulations, 2018, from 30th September 2019 to 11th November 2019.

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