

To

Sh. R.S. Sharma, Chairman TRAI  
Telecom Regulatory Authority of India  
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New Delhi - 110002

Sub: Review of IUC by TRAI

Sir,

Mobile phones are now the lifeline for the country's poor. They need affordable communication. Over the years telecom rates are going down thus enabling it to use by a greater section of society. It may be seen that increase in number of telecom connections comes with rate cuts for calls.

A revival of IUC therefore would be a direct blow on the aspirations of country's poor. It also negates the falling trend of telecom prices. Since IUC was set to go from next year, it was reflecting in already lower tariffs.

We request that TRAI should keep the interest of poor consumers paramount as it decides about continuing IUC since any increase in cost would be detrimental for the poorest customers.

Yours,

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