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Subject:- Consultation on paper on IUC review

Sir,

Some telecom players are not generating enough surplus to stay competitive in telecom sector. This is due to non-adopting of the latest and most efficient technology by them for their telecom systems by avoiding adequate capital investment in their business.

Telecom business is fast paced. Lack of modernisation in telecom impacts adversely on business metrics pretty fast. Such laggards gradually wither and are weeded out. However TRAI thinks differently and is devising ways and means to support these obsolete dinosaurs. IUC continuation scheme is an attempt In that direction by TRAI.

IUC help to sick telecom companies is like offering wrong medicine to a patient. The malaise of obsolescence runs much deeper in telecom sector to be cured by IUC. On the other hand IUC will make the whole telecom sector costlier.

It is therefore requested TRAI should focus its attention on making telecom sector modernized and efficient rather than devoting its energies on rescuing sick companies who are suffering because of their own inertia.

Thanks & Regards.

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