REGULATION CELL Corporate Office, Bharat Sanchar Bhawan, Room No. 505, Janpath, HC Mathur Lane, New Delhi-110001 Tel No. 011-23714522 E-mail: regulation@bsnl.co.in



## भारत संचार निगम लिमिटेड

BHARAT SANCHAR NIGAM LIMITED

Dated: \ January, 2018

No. 10-26/2015-Regln-III/ 5740

To.

The Chief General Managers, All Telecom Circles/ Telephone Districts/ BSNL.

Subject: Withdrawal of guidelines for issuing mobile connections to foreign nationals arriving in India on e-visa-regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to enclose herewith DOT letter No. 800-09/2010-VAS(part) dated 29.12.2017 addressed to CMD, BSNL regarding Withdrawal of guidelines for mobile connections to foreign nationals arriving in India on e-visaregarding.

It has been communicated by DOT vide aforesaid letter dated 29.12.2017 that DOT letter of even number dated 02.08.2016 regarding guidelines issued to BSNL for issuing mobile connections to foreign nationals arriving in India on e-visa stands withdrawn with immediate effect and BSNL is directed not to issue any mobile connections in accordance with these guidelines to foreign nationals arriving in India on e-visa.

The directions shall be complied with immediate effect and a compliance report of implementations of these directions may be furnished to S&M-CM Cell, BSNL Co.

Asstt General Manager (Regulation-III)

Encl :- As above

Copy to:

PGM (S&M-CM) BSNL CO, New Delhi for information and a compliance report in this regard may be submitted to DOT under intimation to this office.

#### Government of India Ministry of Communications Department of Telecommunications (Access Services Cell)

12th Floor, Sanchar Bhawan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi

File No: 800-09/2010-VAS (part)

The CMD, BSNL BSNL Bhawan, Janpath, New Delhi.



Dated: 29 12-2017

Subject: Withdrawal of guidelines for issuing mobile connections to Foreign nationals arriving in India on e-Visa-reg.

This is with reference to this office letter of even number dated 02.08.2016 (copy enclosed) regarding guidelines issued to BSNL for issuing mobile connections to Foreign nationals arriving in India on e-Visa. In this regard, the undersigned is directed to convey that the above said guidelines issued by DoT stand withdrawn with immediate effect and BSNL is directed not to issue any mobile connections in accordance with these guidelines to foreign nationals arriving in India on e-Visa.

pum (skm)

### Copy to:

- 1. The DDG (IT), Ministry of Tourism, Transport Bhawan, Parliament Street, New Delhi for kind information please.
- 2. Sr. DDG (DGT), DoT HQ for kind information and necessary action.

3. Director (IS-I), MHA for kind information please.

Di(cm) 32 Jam(le a)

Acom cpp-cm)

ph take compliance

of chapity

# Government of India Ministry of Communications Department of Telecommunications (Access Services Cell)

12th Floor, Sanchar Bhawan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi

File No: 800-09/2010-VAS (part)

Dated: 02.08.2016

To

The CMD, BSNL BSNL Bhavan, Janpath, New Delhi.

Subject: Guidelines for issuing mobile connections to Foreign nationals arriving in India on e-Visa.

This is in reference to proposal of Ministry of Tourism to present 'Welcome Kit' along with a SIM card to Foreign Nationals arriving in India on e-Visa at the immigration counter of the Airports. In this regard, it has been decided that BSNL may provide mobile connections to foreign nationals arriving on e-Visa at their own counter after the immigration counter at Airports. The following guidelines shall be followed by BSNL while issuing such mobile connections:

- (i) Pre-activated pre-paid SIM cards may be issued to foreign nationals holding e-Visa. Such prepaid SIM card shall have token amount.
- (ii) The validity of such SIM cards shall not exceed the validity of e-Visa as applicable.
- (iii) The requirement of filling up of physical CAF by foreign nationals and verification by PoS/BSNL employees of the same may be done away. However, BSNL shall maintain/preserve acknowledgment slip of issuing such SIM cards duly signed by the foreign national alongwith:
  - (a) copy of passport & e-Visa;

or alternatively

(b) Electronically link the acknowledgment slip/ mobile number/ barcode or QR code of SIM kit with the barcode/QR code of e-Visa of foreign national.

- (iv) Such foreign nationals need not be tele-verified.
- (v) BSNL may issue the SIM cards for any LSA without a local reference.

- S/d -(Prashant Verma) ADG (AS-II)

#### Copy to:

- 1. The DDG (IT), Ministry of Tourism, Transport Bhawan, Parliament Street, New Delhi for kind information and with a request to co-ordinate with Ministry of Civil Aviation for rent free accommodation with electric supply at such airports.
- 2. Sr. DDG (TERM), DoT HQ for kind information and necessary action.
- 3. Director (IS-I), MHA for kind information please.

4. Director (IT) for uploading on DoT website under "Access Services-Subscriber Verification" head.

Presentitivated one-mild SIM cards may be issued to torcity subset

abouted \ruse light into the actnowledgment sits \ mobile mumber \ business (d) -

(Prashant Verma)

ADG (AS-II)

Tele No.: 011-23354042

0/0