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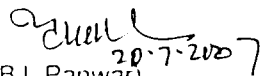
To  
CMD, BSNL  
CMD, MTNL  
All CMTS Licensees  
All UAS Licensees

Subject - Installation of Jammers in Jails

The direction/ request of certain State Government Authorities to Telecom Service Providers for installation of jammers in jail premises at their (Service Provider's) cost and seeking action taken report from all operators was examined in DOT. The following guidelines in the matter are issued with the approval of competent authority

- i. Decision regarding imposition of selective restrictions on the use of mobile phones/services within the premises of Jails may only be taken by the concerned Ministries/Departments or the authorities responsible for the policy & administration of the Jails & DOT has no role in it.
- ii. The entire cost / expenses for installation of the jammers in Jails should be borne by the State Prison Authorities and should be reimbursed to service providers if the installation and / or procurement of the equipment on request of jail authorities is taken up by such service providers
- iii. The State Prison Authorities should apply for the clearance to the WPC Wing intimating the technical parameters/characteristics of GSM/CDMA jammers to study the interference pattern around the affected peripherals of the jails
- iv. Only after getting the clearance/approval from WPC/TEC, the installation of jammers should be undertaken
- v. TEC may also prepare GRs for jammers as the equipment may be required to be procured by BSNL in case of specific request from jail authorities
- vi. The State Prison Authorities who desire to install jammers, should also intimate DOT/Licensor for installation of Jammers in Jails
- vii. It has to be ensured by the concerned jail authorities that the GSM/CDMA Jammers do not interfere with other Radio communication systems available in the adjoining/ surrounding locations. Technically, the RF power outputs of the jammers should be limited / controlled in such a way that the communication is restricted within the jail premises and does not affect the licensed GSM/CDMA services in the adjoining outside areas.

Kindly acknowledge the receipt of this letter

  
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