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TRAI releases Consultation Paper on 'The Issues Related to Critical Services in the M2M Sector and Transfer of Ownership of M2M SIMs'

Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) has today released a Consultation Paper on 'The Issues Related to Critical Services in the M2M Sector and Transfer of Ownership of M2M SIMs'.

Earlier, Department of Telecommunications (DoT), through a reference dated 01.01.2024, requested TRAI to provide reconsidered recommendations, as per the provisions of the Section 11 of the TRAI Act 1997 as amended from time to time, on –

- a) Identification of Critical Services in the M2M Sector.
- b) Transfer of Ownership of M2M SIMs.

In this regard, a Consultation Paper on 'The Issues Related to Critical Services in the M2M Sector, and Transfer of Ownership of M2M SIMs', seeking inputs from the stakeholders, has been placed on the TRAI's website www.trai.gov.in. Written comments on the issues raised in the Consultation Paper are invited from the stakeholders by 22nd July 2024 and counter-comments by 5th August 2024.

Centre imposes stock limit on Wheat until 31st March, 2025 in all States and UTs

In order to manage the overall food security and to prevent hoarding and unscrupulous speculation, the Government of India has decided to impose stock limits on Wheat applicable to Traders/Wholesaler, Retailers, Big Chain Retailers and Processors for all States and Union Territories. The Removal of Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions on Specified Foodstuffs (Amendment) Order, 2024 has been issued with immediate effect from today i.e. 24th June 2024 and will be applicable until 31st March 2025 for all States and Union Territories.

Stock limits will be applicable to each entity individually such as Traders/Wholesaler-3000 MT; Retailer- 10 MT for each of the Retail outlets; Big Chain Retailer- 10 MT for each outlet and 3000 MT at all their depots and Processors- 70% of Monthly Installed Capacity (MIC) multiplied by remaining months of FY 2024-25. Respective legal entities, as above, will have to declare the stock position and update them regularly on the portal (https://evegoils.nic.in/wsp/login) of the Department of Food and Public Distribution and in case the stock held by them are higher than the prescribed limit then they have to bring the same to the prescribed stock limits within 30 days of issue of this notification.