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Telecom Regulatory Authority of India

TRAI releases response to the reference received from the Department of Telecommunications on TRAI's Recommendations on implementation of "Single Number based Integrated Emergency Communication & Response System (IECRS)" dated 7th April 2015.

New Delhi, 30th September, 2015 – To facilitate establishment of an efficient and robust Integrated Emergency Communication & Response System (IECRS) in India, the Authority vide its recommendations dated 7th April, 2015 have suo-motu recommended for the implementation of Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) based integrated emergency communication and response system (IECRS) in the country which will be accessed through a single emergency number '112'.

2. The DoT vide its letter dated 25.08.2015 responded to the TRAI's recommendations seeking reconsideration/opinion/views of TRAI on some of the issues. Further, Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) has recently released the guidelines for Nationwide Emergency Response System (NERS). It has also invited Request for Proposals (RFP) for selection of IT Service Provider (ITSP) for the project. Taking into consideration these developments, the Authority has formulated its opinion / views.
3. The Authority would like that NERS framework is implemented early. Also, the Authority has re-iterated its recommendations for deciding on a sunset date for incorporation of GPS feature in all mobile handsets for having accurate location information of the caller. The detailed response of TRAI has been placed on TRAI website www.trai.gov.in.


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