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TELECOM REGULATORY AUTHORITY OF INDIA

TRAI releases Consultation Paper on “Issues related to Low Power Small Range FM Radio Broadcasting”

New Delhi, 17th April 2023 - The Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) has today released a Consultation Paper (CP) on “Issues Related to Low Power Small Range FM Radio Broadcasting”.

2. Ministry of Information and Broadcasting (MIB) vide its reference dated 07.03.2022 has sought recommendations of the Authority, under section 11(1)(a)(i) of the TRAI Act, 1997 on the need and timing for introduction of new service provider for drive-in theatres application.
3. The low-power short range FM Radio broadcasting is an effective method of sound broadcasting for services that are intended for limited locations and reception areas. Some of the examples for such services include **drive-in theatres, hospital radio services, amusement parks, business premises, closed communities such as residential complex, small habitations**, local events such as air shows and sports events, etc.
4. Accordingly, this Consultation Paper has been prepared to seek the comments/views of the stakeholders on the issues related to Low Power Small Range FM Radio Broadcasting. Written comments on the consultation paper are invited from the stakeholders by **15th May 2023**. Counter comments, if any, may be submitted by **29th May 2023**. The comments and counter-

comments may be sent, preferably in electronic form on the email ID advbcs-2@traigov.in and jtadvbcs-1@traigov.in .

5. For any clarification/ information, Shri Anil Kumar Bhardwaj, Advisor (B&CS) may be contacted at Tel. No. +91-11-23237922.

6. The full text of the consultation paper is available on TRAI's website www.traigov.in.


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