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ACTO's Recommendations on Other Service Providers (OSP) Requirements Under the OSP Guidelines

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About ACTO

❖ **ACTO is an industry association, registered under Societies Registration Act, 1860.**

❖ **Our members provide enterprise data services to multi-sited corporations, Indian BPO/KPO, outsourcing and ITES sector operating global networks under appropriate telecom licenses accorded by Government of India. Our members hold International Long Distance (ILD), National Long Distance (NLD), Internet Service Provider (ISP) & Unified License-Virtual Network Operator (UL-VNO) license.**

❖ **ACTO is committed to further India's pro-competitive policies and to partner closely with Ministry of Communications & Information Technology, Ministry of Finance and other Ministries, Government Bodies to enhance the stakeholder's engagement with the specific needs of the enterprise segment.**

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Current Status on OSP Guidelines

1. Existing OSP Guidelines are ambiguous and not inline with emerging technology trends.

2. TRAI had issued recommendations on the Guidelines on 21st October, 2019 following response to Consultation Paper and Open House Discussion (OHD) by industry stakeholders.

3. Recently, TRAI had also responded to DoT's refer back.

4. DOT has allowed some relaxations on Work From Home(WFH) in the OSP guidelines due to COVID-19.

5. We understand that DOT is in final stage to issue new OSP Guidelines.

Key Recommendations by TRAI

1. Captive OSPs to be kept out of purview of OSP Guidelines.

2. Prior intimation for Data/Internet based OSP.

3. Permit single registration to cover all locations of OSP company. Intimation to DOT for addition/ removal of any locations.

4. BG requirement for each location to be removed.

5. EPABX at foreign location in case of international OSP to be allowed.

6. No mandate for registration or additional license for CCSP/HCCSP.

Key Recommendations by TRAI....continue

7. Allow Work from Home (WFH) on intimation basis.

8. No need to get Network diagram approved by TSPs.

9. Interconnection of hot sites between domestic and international OSPs to be allowed.

10. CUG facility to be continued.

11. Internet connection at centralized location allowed.

12. Permit PSTN connectivity to the International OSP at the Indian end.

ACTO fully support TRAI recommendations..

ACTO largely supports these recommendations as we feel that they will **DRIVE GLOBAL COMPETITIVENESS, add Operational Flexibility, Improve SPEED and EASE of doing business**.

Thank you !!

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