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No. Sr. GM(NWO-CM)/CBT/Genl Corr/2012-13/90 dtd. at Cbt-11 the 25-02-2013

To

All Heads of SSAs

BSNL,

TN Circle.

(for kind attention of AGM(CSC)/ Sales-CM)

Sub: Provision of prepaid connections to Foreigners - reg.

Ref: DOT Lr. No.800-09/2010-VAS dtd.9-8-2012 on New CAF and number

activations.

Para No.4 of the above mentioned letter stipulates certain conditions for the provision of mobile connections to foreigners. The conditions are reproduced below.

- (i) In case of foreign tourists visiting India, the copy of Passport with valid Visa stamp shall be treated as proof of identity. For proof of address, the address of local reference which may also be the tour operator shall be taken. In case, there is no local reference; the address of stay (hotel etc) shall be taken.
- (ii) Any mobile connection issued to a Foreigner should not have validity beyond the validity of the Visa. In case of foreign tourist the validity of connection should not be beyond the Visa period and also not exceeding 3 months at a time even if the validity of the Visa is beyond 3 months.
- (iii)The connection issued to the personnel deployed on ships while at Sea shore shall have validity only till the date they have the permit to stay at the port.
- (iv)List of such connections shall be provided every month to DoT /TERM Cell separately while submitting monthly database to DoT/ TERM Cell.

It has been found that as on date, 20 prepaid connections have been provided to foreigners thru CSCs in different SSAs without following the above said conditions. The number of connections provided in different SSAs are as follows.

CBT: 11 MA: 1 NILGIRIS: 2 NGC: 3 PY: 1 VLR: 2

In certain cases, the validity of the connections is found to be beyond the visa period. It is, therefore requested that necessary action may kindly be initiated by the officers concerned for the timely disconnection of such numbers after intimating the same to the customers. All AGMs (CSC) are requested to keep a list of numbers provided to foreigners.

After getting the approval of the competent authority, the particulars of such numbers to be deleted may kindly be sent to the DE, Commercial, O/o the DGM (NWO-CM), Coimbatore well in advance and clearly mentioning the date of disconnection for taking further action.

It is further informed that care should be taken by CSC staff, while new connections are provided to the foreigners, adhering to the conditions as mentioned above.

DGM (NWO-CM),

O/o the Sr. GM(NWO-CM), BSNL, Coimbatore – 641 011.

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