

**Telecom Regulatory Authority of India**  
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**TRAI issues "The Telecommunication Interconnection (Amendment) Regulations, 2018"**

**New Delhi, 5<sup>th</sup> July, 2018:** The Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) today issued "The Telecommunication Interconnection (Amendment) Regulations, 2018" which prescribes amendment in Regulations 6, 8 & 9 of the "Telecommunication Interconnection Regulations, 2018" issued by TRAI on 01.01.2018.

2. The main amendments in the Regulations are as follows:

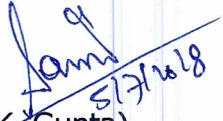
- a) A service provider may request the other service provider for additional ports at a POI, if the projected utilisation of the capacity of such POI at the end of **sixty days** from the date of placing the request, is likely to be more than **eighty-five percent** and such projected utilization of the capacity of POI shall be determined on the basis of the daily traffic for the preceding **sixty days** at the POI during busy hour: Provided that the service provider shall request for such number of additional ports which is likely to bring the utilization of the capacity of such POI, at the end of **sixty days** from the date of making request, to less than **seventy-five percent**.
- b) The time-frame for provisioning of ports for initial interconnection and augmentation of ports at POIs is increased to **42 working days**.
- c) Every service provider shall provide to the interconnecting service provider, at interval of every six months, its forecast of busy hour outgoing traffic, for the succeeding six months, at each POI and the first such forecast shall be provided within sixty days of the commencement of the Telecommunication Interconnection (Amendment) Regulations, 2018 and thereafter on the 1<sup>st</sup> April and 1<sup>st</sup> October every year.



d) The port charges and infrastructure charges, for all ports provided before the 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2018 shall continue to be payable as per the terms and conditions which were applicable to them before the 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2018.

3. Full text of "The Telecommunication Interconnection (Amendment) Regulations, 2018" is available on TRAI's website: [www.trai.gov.in](http://www.trai.gov.in)

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