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**TELECOM REGULATORY AUTHORITY OF INDIA**

**TRAI asked service providers to remove Analogue RIOs from websites**

**New Delhi, 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2017:** The Central Government notified 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017 as the last date for implementation of Phase-IV of the Digital Addressable Cable TV Systems (DAS) therefore, w.e.f. 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017 only digital encrypted signals can be carried on the Cable TV network in the country. Carriage of analogue signals and/or unencrypted signals after 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017 is a violation of Section 4A of the Cable Television Network (Regulation) Act 1995.

2. It has been observed by TRAI that some broadcasters' reference interconnect offers (RIOs) for analogue platforms, are getting displayed on their website. TRAI has written letters to such broadcasters individually whose Analogue RIOs were found on websites.

3. All the broadcasters are advised to ensure that no RIO for analogue platforms are either executed or displayed on their websites and no offers are made, directly or indirectly, for making their signals of TV channels available on analogue cable television networks. Further, all the Multi System Operators and cable operators are advised to ensure no unencrypted signals are carried on their cable television network.

  
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