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## For Immediate Release

## **Telecom Regulatory Authority of India**

New Delhi, the 4<sup>th</sup> January, 2017: Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) has today released a Consultation Paper on 'Net Neutrality'.

2. In March 2016, the DoT had sought TRAI's recommendations on issues relating to net neutrality. In view of the complexity of the subject, the Authority decided to undertake a two-stage consultation process on Net Neutrality.

The first stage, of pre-consultation, was an attempt to identify the relevant issues in all the areas on which the DoT had sought TRAI's recommendations, for which a pre-consultation paper was released in May 2016.

In this second stage, the Authority has considered all the relevant issues identified during the pre-consultation process and the preliminary inputs gathered from stakeholders on these issues. The purpose of this stage of consultation is to proceed towards final views on policy or regulatory interventions, where required, on the issue of Net Neutrality.

- 3. Written comments on the issues raised in the consultation paper are invited from the stakeholders by the 15<sup>th</sup> of February, 2017 and counter comments, if any, by the 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2017. Full text of the consultation paper is available on TRAI's website (www.trai.gov.in).
- 4. The comments and counter-comments may be sent, preferably in electronic form at advqos@trai.gov.in. For any clarifications / information, Shri Asit Kadayan, Advisor (QOS), TRAI may be contacted on Telephone Number +91-11-23230404, FAX Number +91-11-23213036.

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