

## THE WEEKLY NEWS SUMMARY

## **Highlights of the week:**



The Prime Minister, Shri. Narendra Modi inaugurated the National Master Plan "GATI SHAKTI" for providing Multi Modal Infra Connectivity to various Economic Zones on 13<sup>th</sup> October. It aims at Extending 4G connectivity to all villages, removing long-standing issues such as disjointed planning, lack of standardisation, problems with clearances, and timely creation and utilisation of infrastructure capacities.

Third National Workshop on WRC-23 will be held on October 21,2021 from 2:30 PM. The chief guest of this upcoming workshop will be Shri. AK Tiwari-Member technology, DoT. To support India's national preparations on key agenda items of WRC-23, ITU-APT Foundation of India (IAFI) is organizing. The third meeting of APG for WRC-23 (APG23-3) will be held from 8<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> November 2021 as a virtual meeting.





ITU Digital World 2021 on 12<sup>th</sup> October welcomed high level participants from the public and private sectors and across the information and communication technology (ICT) industry. Viet Nam seeks to stimulate trade, build skills, and strengthen Southeast Asian economies the Southeast Asian country marks 50 years of ITU Telecom events and aim in line with sustainable development through digital transformation.

ITU-APT Foundation of India (IAFI) attended the 39<sup>th</sup> Meeting of ITU-R working party 5D with 9 Delegates (Mr. Bharat Bhushan Bhatia, President, Dr Rakesh Mehrotra & Mr. Pawan K. Garg, Vice-Presidents, Dr. Punit Rathod, Mr. Arif Khan, Mr. Teng Lock Khoo, Delegate, Mr. Rajesh Mehrotra, Members and Ms. Aarush & Mr. Joel Thomas, from IAFI secretariat). The meeting concluded on 15<sup>th</sup> October. The IAFI delegates actively participated in the meetings of ITU-R. The meetings lasted for over a period of two weeks and IAFI President chaired the Group on specific applications of 5G



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## **Top Telecom Stories:**



The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi on 11<sup>th</sup> October launched the Indian Space Association (ISpA), that will ensure that the space sector unites India. India is one of the few countries which has developed expertise in launch vehicles, satellites and interplanetary exploration.

TRAI is organising a Regional Workshop on Capacity Building of Consumer Advocacy Groups (CAGs) at Manali (HP). These programmes are primarily intended to outreach to the consumers and will be conducted on the 18<sup>th</sup> of October at Snow Valley Resorts, Log Hut Area, Manali (Himachal Pradesh). Registration for the same is available on TRAI's website.





The telecom department on Tuesday assured the telecom tribunal that it will not encash bank guarantees (BGs) of Bharti Airtel and Vodafone Idea until the next hearing of October 26 in the points of interconnection (PoI) case. The Department of Telecommunications (DoT) has demanded Rs.3,050 crore as cumulative penalties from the two telcos for allegedly denying adequate points of interconnection (PoIs) to Reliance Jio which affected quality of services.

No gaming disruptions – not even once, says Qualcomm as Qualcomm is in partnership with Microsoft and online gaming software giant Valve who on Wednesday launched a new solution called 'Wi-Fi Dual Station' and is based on Qualcomm's 4-stream Dual Band Simultaneous feature. More than that, end-to-end support of low-latency gaming over Wi-Fi. Qualcomm says that 4-stream Dual Band Simultaneous delivers "four times lower latency and sustained jitter-free gameplay" compared to single-station (normal) Wi-Fi when connected to a consumer grade Wi-Fi 6 access point.



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