

THE WEEKLY NEWS SUMMARY

Highlights of the week:

ITU-APT Foundation of India (IAFI) hosted a national workshop on “Challenges & Opportunities in Green Telecom” in partnership with Digital Infrastructure Providers Association (DIPA). The workshop was graced by the chief guest, Shri. K. Rajaraman (IAS) Secretary (DoT) & Chairman of Digital Communications Commission, who spoke, inter alia, on the urgent need of developing indigenously an energy efficient, Radio Access Network, as it happens to be a major energy consuming element in the telecom network. The event was a great success and was well covered by the media:



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IAFI finalized and submitted our response to the consultation paper on “Spectrum Requirements of National Capital Region Transport Corporation (NCRTC)” for Train Control System for RRTS Corridors. This consultation paper focuses on the assigning of spectrum and challenges regarding the same for rail networks operating in the overlapping geographical area, along with permission/licensing regime for operation of wireless networks for NCRTC. Our comments, supporting the NCRTC spectrum requirements, was submitted within the due date of 14th July.



TRAI consultation Papers under process:

Consultation Papers	Status	Counter Comments Date	IAFI Comments
Spectrum Requirements of National Capital Region Transport Corporation (NCRTC) for Train Control System for RRTS Corridors	Submitted	28 th July 2022	File

Forthcoming ITU and APT Meetings (Jun -Sept 2022)

Meeting Groups	Meeting Dates	Submission Dates	Next IAFI Preparatory Meetings
APT: PRF-22	19 th - 21 st July 2022	13 th July 2022	-
ITU-R: WP5B	11 th - 22 nd July 2022	04 th July 2022	-
ITU-T: SG/WP-20	18 th - 28 th July 2022	12 th July 2022	-
APT: APT PP22-4	01 st - 05 th August 2022	26 th July 2022	21 July 2022
APT: APG23-4	15 th - 20 th Aug 2022	08 th August 2022	21 July 2022
APT: PRFP-15	30 th Aug - 01 st Sept 2022	24 th August 2022	-
APT: AWG 30	05 th - 09 th Sept 2022	29 th August 2022	21 July 2022
APT: SATRC	20 th - 22 nd Sept 2022	13 th Sept 2022	-

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Telecom Stories:

In a win for telecom operators ahead of the launch of 5G services, the Department of Telecommunications (DoT) has decided to continue administratively assigning microwave and E band spectrum, utilized by operators for backhaul purposes. DoT issued an office memorandum indicating that it will "as an interim measure, for a period of six months and will continue to make frequency assignments for mobile networks." Other entities which will continue to see administrative assignments include broadcasters, satellite-based applications, radars, etc.

The Company executives are not sufficiently prioritising threats from vulnerabilities within the value chain, beyond the immediate boundaries of their own organizations, reveals a study from information technology (IT) Cybersecurity Study. A survey shows that only 16% of the Chief Risk officers (CROs) and Chief Information Security officers (CISOs) ranked digital ecosystems as a concern when assessing expected cyber targets.

India's 5G spectrum auction is not too far away. The telcos are already worried about loss of business use cases with 5G as the government has decided to allocate spectrum directly to the enterprises for private network services. The telecom operators across the world, not just in India, are counting the revenues from enterprise operations to make a big impact with 5G. One of the biggest use cases that have been proven for enterprises with 5G is private networks. However, the revenues and shipments related to private wireless radio access networks (RAN) are coming in below expectations.

