

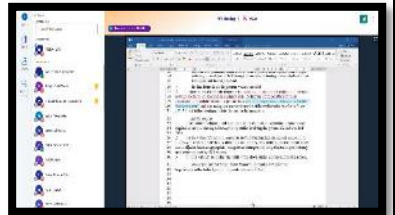
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Highlights of the week:

43rd Meeting of ITU-R Working Party 5D: WP5D which is responsible for the overall radio system aspects of IMT (4G, 5G and 6G) began its 43rd meeting on 31st of January 23. 4 contributions have been submitted by IAFI on IMT multimedia, IMT Applications and FSS band frequency, IMT Vision 2030 had been submitted to WP5D. Shri Bharat Bhatia chaired the Group on Specific Applications of 5G and shri Jitendra Singh, Vice President, IAFI chaired the drafting group on Private/industrial applications. Many IAFI members have been actively participating as delegates for the meetings. IAFI contributions on IMT Vision 2030 and FSS band frequency documents have been successfully presented and accepted.

SATRC: IAFI participated and presented on Future Spectrum in the SATRC workshop organised by APT and TRAI at Park Hotel, New Delhi. IAFI presentation was made by our Vice President Mr. R P Agarwal, former Wireless Advisor in the session moderated by Mr. S T Abbas, Principal Advisor, TRAI. The Presentation Focused on 5G use cases and Roadmap for 6G deployment. The event was also attended by IAFI secretariat.

NPC Meeting: National Preparatory Committee review meeting was held on **03rd February 2023** under NPC Chair, Shri V. J. Christopher, Wireless Advisor, WPC Wing.



TRAI Consultation papers

Consultation Papers	Submission Date	Status	Submission
Telecommunication infrastructure sharing, spectrum sharing and spectrum leasing	10 th February 2023	Under Development	-
Enabling Convergence of Carriage of Broadcasting and Telecommunication services	27 th February 2023	Under Development	-

Forthcoming ITU-APT Meetings (January 2023-April 2023)

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Meeting Groups	Meeting Dates	Submission Dates	Next IAFI Preparatory Meetings
ITU-R: WP5D, Geneva	31 st January - 9 th February 2023	24 th January 2022	-
APT: Training course on Utilisation of ICT services to achieve Future Digital Community	31 st January 2023 – 14 th February 2023	-	-
APT: APG-23/5 (Busan, Korea)	20 th – 25 th February 2023	13 th February 2023	-
APT: Training course on Preparing for International Conferences 2023 (TCPIC-2023)	7 th March – 10 th March 2023	-	-
ITU-R: CPM WRC-23, Geneva	27 th March to 6 th April 2023	20 th March 2023	-

Telecom Stories:

The Government in order to promote domestic manufacturing of mobile phones reduced customs duty import of certain parts and inputs like camera lens and extended the concessional duty on lithium-ion cells for batteries for another year. To further provide impetus to green mobility, customs duty exemptions is being extended to import of capital goods and machinery required for manufacture of lithium-ion cells for batteries used in electric vehicles.

India will become a major exporter of telecom technology in the next 2-3 years. This will be in contrast to the country being a major importer of telecom technology 10 years ago. During a post-budget conference in the national capital, he setting up of 100 labs across the country for developing 5G-driven applications will enable the youth to build products and use cases around fifth generation network technology.

A 30% jump in the expected revenue to Rs 89,469.17 crore from the telecom sector in the FY24. The Department of Telecommunications (DoT) plans to auction E (71-76 GHz and 81 -86 GHz) and V (57-64 GHz and 64-71 Ghz) bands along with satellite airwaves. The E and V bands can be used for



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backhaul as well as mobile services. The proceeds from the spectrum auction as a one-time amount has come down in the recent auctions due to the change in payment terms.