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বিজ্ঞপ্তি/নোটিশ

বিষয়ঃ “Regulatory and Licensing Guidelines for Invitation of offers/proposals for License to Build, Operate and Maintain Submarine Cable Systems and Services in Bangladesh.” এর সংশোধনী প্রসঙ্গে।

সূত্রঃ ডাক ও টেলিযোগাযোগ বিভাগের পত্র নং- ১৪.০০.০০০০. ০১০.১৮.০০৭.১৯.১৭৫৪; তারিখঃ ২৩-১২-২০২১।

উপর্যুক্ত বিষয় ও সূত্রস্থ পত্রের প্রেক্ষিতে নির্দেশিত হয়ে জানানো যাচ্ছে যে, সরকারের অনুমোদনক্রমে “Regulatory and Licensing Guidelines for Invitation of Offers/Proposals for Issuing License to Build, Operate and Maintain Submarine Cable Systems and Services in Bangladesh” (নং- BTRC/LL/SC (270)/2008-177, Date:31-03-2011)” এ নিম্নলিখিত রুজসমূহের সংশোধন আনয়ন করা হয়েছেঃ

ক্রম	রুজ নং	বিদ্যমান (English)	অনুমোদিত (English)
১।	Guideline's Clause No. 4.4.3 And License's Clause No. 2.3.3	Authorize the Licensee to sell or lease capacity to the followings, within the framework of the Licensing Guidelines and with the approval of the Commission: (i)International Gateway (IGW) License holders. (ii)International Internet Gateway (IIG) License holders. (iii)Authorized IPLC Users. (iv)Any other user authorized by the Commission.	Authorize the Licensee to sell or lease capacity to the followings, within the framework of the Licensing Guidelines: (i)International Gateway (IGW) License holders. (ii)International Internet Gateway (IIG) License holders. (iii)Authorized IPLC Users. (iv)Any other user authorized by the Commission.
২।	Guideline's Clause No. 4.6 And License's Clause No. 6	Network Rollout The licensee shall establish and complete the Submarine Cable (SC) Systems and Services within 24 (Twenty four) months from the date on which the license shall come into force. In case of failure of commencement within the stipulated time, 10% of the Performance Bank Guarantee will be encashed for each month or its fraction thereof. When the full performance bank guarantee will be encashed by the Commission for failure of commencement, the Commission shall take necessary action to cancel the License.	Network Rollout The licensee shall establish and complete its offered Submarine Cable (SC) Systems and Services as mentioned in APPENDIX-2 within 48 (Forty-Eight) months from the date on which the license shall come into force. In case of failure of commencement within the stipulated time, 10% of the Performance Bank Guarantee will be encashed for each month or its fraction thereof. When the full performance bank guarantee will be encashed by the Commission for failure of commencement, the Commission shall take necessary action to cancel the License.
৩।	Guideline's Clause No. 4.7	Duration of License The duration of the License, shall initially be for a term of 20 (twenty) years. Upon expiry of the initial	Duration of License The duration of the License, shall initially be for a term of 20 (twenty) years. Upon expiry of the initial term,

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৪।	License's Clause No. 2.2	Renewal of the License Upon expiry of the initial term, the License may be renewed for subsequent terms, each of 10 (ten) years in duration, subject to the approval from the Commission and to such conditions, including the payment of any fees, as may be specified herein or by the Commission under the Act. The Licensee shall submit the renewal application 6 (six) months prior to the expiry date of each term, initial or subsequent whatsoever.	Renewal of the License Upon expiry of the initial term, the License may be renewed for subsequent terms, subject to the approval from the Commission and to such conditions, including the payment of any fees, as may be specified herein or by the Commission under the Act. The Licensee shall submit the renewal application 6 (six) months prior to the expiry date of each term, initial or subsequent whatsoever.
৫।	Guideline's Clause No. 4.8.1	The Bangladesh Telecommunication Regulatory Commission (BTRC) invites offers/proposals from Bangladeshi companies/firms or joint venture companies with Bangladeshi partners, or Bangladeshi companies' joint venture with overseas companies having considerable experience in Submarine Cable Systems and Services for granting of license to establish, maintain and operate such system for use in Bangladesh.	The Bangladesh Telecommunication Regulatory Commission (BTRC) invites offers/proposals from Bangladeshi companies/firms, or joint venture companies with Bangladeshi partners, or overseas companies, meeting the criteria as mentioned in Clause No. 4.3.1, having considerable experience in Telecommunication Services for granting of license to establish, maintain and operate such system for use in Bangladesh.
৬।	Guideline's Clause No. 4.8.3	Foreign shareholding is limited to maximum 70 % (seventy Percent). The foreign partner shall invest in foreign currency directly equal to his percentage of ownership and no bank loan from any Bangladeshi Scheduled Bank/ Financial Institution/ Leasing Company can be raised for the foreign part of the investment.	Submarine Cable Systems And Services Operator's license will be issued to all, irrespective of Bangladeshi (resident citizens, non-resident Bangladeshi (NRB), proprietorships, partnerships-under the Partnership Act, 1932 and companies registered under 'Joint Stock Companies and firms under the Companies Act 1994) or Foreign entities (citizens, companies or subsidiaries or holding companies). Foreign Partnership or Joint Venture is also permitted.

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