

File No. 3-19/2022-IR (pt1)
Department of Telecommunications
International Relations Division

Subject: Review of work & responsibilities of ITU-D Sector for the period 2022-2025 in line with ITU Strategy -reg.

Ref: - DoT's letter no. 3-19/3-19/2022-IR (pt1) dated 09.05.2022

Dated: - 06.05.2023

A discussion on ITU Strategy was held in DoT to streamline the work of the National Working Group (NWG).

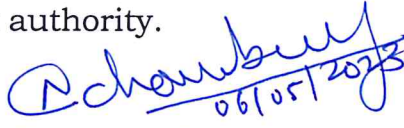
2. It may be noted that National Working Groups (NWGs) mirroring the Study Groups (SGs) of ITU-D, have already been created with Terms of Reference in May, 2022 (Annexure-I). Subsequently, responsibilities to relevant organisations were also assigned for each Question of NWG in the ITU strategy meeting chaired by the Secretary (T) in January 2023 which were communicated through minutes of meeting.

2. Now, the name of the individual officer has been assigned for each question of NWG of ITU-D, as per the list attached at Annexure-II to streamline the working and better focus on ITU-D activities. The management responsibilities of the NWG have also been assigned.

4. Accordingly, NWGs are requested to take further necessary actions as per the terms of reference.

This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

Encl: - Annexure- I & II.


(Narendra Choubey)
Director (IR-II)

To,

All members/ Concerned Officers

Copy for kind information to: -

1. PSO to Secretary (T), DoT, New Delhi.
2. Secretary, MoHUA with request to nominate officer for Question Q1/2.
3. Secretary, MEITY with request to nominate officer for Question Q6/2.
4. Secretary MoEFCC with request to nominate officer for Question Q6/2.

5. Secretary, Ministry of Education with request to nominate officer for Question Q2/2.
6. Chairman, TRAI with request to nominate officer for Question Q1/1, Q4/1, Q6/1.
7. PPS to AS(T), DoT, New Delhi.
8. Member(S)/Member(F)/Member(T).
9. Chief Executive Officer, Prasar Bharati.
10. CMD, BSNL.
11. Chief Executive Officer, C-DOT.
12. Director, IISC Bangalore.
13. Director, IIT Delhi.
14. Director, IIT Bombay.
15. Director, IIT Hyderabad.
16. Member Secretary, NDMA.
17. Representative of Industry/Industry Association.

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Subject: Constitution of National Working Groups (NWGs) - 1 & 2 for ITU-D Study Group 1 & Study Group 2, and Preparatory Working Group for WTDC-21

ITU Development (ITU-D) sector has two Study Groups (SGs), namely SG-1 and SG-2. These Study Groups deal with several questions related to broad themes of 'Enabling environment for the development of ICTs' and 'ICT services and applications for the promotion of sustainable development'. Department of Telecommunications has constituted two National Working Groups -1 & 2 as detailed in the Annexure for making necessary contributions to the Study Groups 1 and 2 of ITU-D during the next cycle. NWGs will be convened by IR Division of DoT.

The Terms of Reference of National Working Groups are as follows:

1. National Working Groups (NWGs):

- a. Preparation of Indian contributions on the Questions of ITU-D Study Groups through comprehensive deliberations/discussions/ scrutiny/ critical analysis etc. of draft contributions submitted by NWG members.
- b. Prepare Action Plan with milestones for the NWGs and calendar of meetings.
- c. Derive the criteria, in consultation with the group, on qualitative assessment of contributions so that effective contributions are made.
- d. The NWG (all members) to meet at least once in TWO months. The Chairman and Vice-chair(s) may have regular meetings at least on monthly basis.
- e. NWGs may conduct workshops and webinar/seminars in their concerned areas of work that could improve the understanding of the issues under NWG purview and help in making effective contributions.

2. Preparatory Working Group (PWG) for WTDC-21:

The NWGs will also work as Preparatory Working Group (PWG) for WTDC-21 to be held on 6-16 June, 2022 in Kigali (Rwanda), with following activities/functions-

- a. Examine the proposals/contributions/documents related to WTDC-21 towards developing views/response/positions of India.
- b. Discuss and prepare proposals/contributions for new resolutions and modifications of existing resolutions of WTDC-17.
- c. To provide suggestions to enhance participation in WTDC-21.
- d. Strategy for garnering support re-election of India to ITU Council and India's candidate to Radio Regulation Board (RRB)

3. This is issued by approval of competent authority.



(Abhishek Shukla)

ADET (IR-III)

To,

Members of National Working Group 1

1. Mr. Anand Singh, Joint Secretary(T), DoT
2. Dr. Naveen Singh Rajput, Professor, IIT-BHU
3. Prof. Subhasis Chaudhuri, Director, IIT- Bombay
4. Prof. Saibal Chatterjee, Professor, NIT Mizoram

5. Dr. Mrutyunjay Rout, Asst. Professor, NIT Jamshedpur
6. Dr. Nagendra Kumar, Asst. Professor, NIT Jamshedpur
7. Dr. Neelakandan R, Asst. Professor, NIT Goa
8. Mr. Rajeev Gambhir, Sr. Director Technology & Policy, SIA-India
9. Mr. Rajat Mukarji, Director General, Broadband India Forum
10. Prof NK Goyal, Chairman, TEMA/CMAI, TEMA
11. Dr. Satya N Gupta, IAFI
12. Ms. Archana Goyal Gulati, IAFI
13. Mr. Bharat Bhatia, IAFI
14. Mr. Rajesh Sharma, DDG SU, DoT
15. Mr. Premjit Lal, DDG (PM), DoT
16. Mr. Ajay Kumar, DDG (LFA), Training Finance Wing
17. Mr. Venkata Praveen Pogiri, Director (WF), DoT
18. Mr. Trilok Chnadra, Director(AS-IV), DoT
19. Mr. Praveen Kulahari, ADG(TSOC-I), DoT
20. Mr. Ashish Vyas, ADET (AS-IV), DoT
21. Mr R Shakya, DDG(IR), DoT
22. Mr Bhavesh Trivedi, Dir (IR-I), DoT

23. Mr Ram Babu Jatav, Dir(IR-III), DoT
24. Se. Satyam Agarwal, Assistant Professor, EED, IIT Ropar
25. Mr. T R Dua, DIPA
26. Mr. Vikram Tewatia, COAI
27. Mr. Ravi Gandhi, Reliance Jio
28. Mr. Rahul Vats, Bharti Airtel
29. Mr. Sanjeev Arora, Vodafone Idea
30. CMD MTNL
31. CMD BSNL
32. Dr Lakshmi Y V S, CDOT
33. Mr. Subhash Chand, Director (SRI), DoT
34. Dr Jyoti Singhai, MANIT
35. Dr Ajay Somkuwar, MANIT
36. Sh. Jaipal Singh, AD, NTIPRIT

Members of National Working Group 2

1. Mr. Anand Singh, Joint Secretary(T), DoT
2. Dr. Shivam Verma, Professor, IIT-BHU

3. Prof. Subhasis Chaudhuri, Director, IIT- Bombay
4. Mr. Basudeba Behera, Asst. Professor, NIT Jamshedpur
5. Dr. Ajay Kumar, Asst. Professor, NIT Jamshedpur
6. Dr. Sujit Sahoo, Asst. Professor, NIT Goa
7. Mr. Desh Raj Bhadana, Sr. Manager MarCom, SIA
8. Mr. Anubhav Prakash, Manager Govt Relation, SIA
9. Mr. Sundeep Kathuria, Sr. Consultant - Special Projects, Broadband
India Forum
10. Ms Manmisha, GM CMAI TEMA, TEMA
11. Mr. Vimal Wakhlu, IAFI
12. Prof. Rakesh Mehrotra, IAFI
13. Mr. S. K. Mishra, IAFI
14. Ms. Aprajita Sharrma, DDG (Budget), DoT
15. Mr. Dharendra Verma, Director (Projects / MTNL), DoT
16. Mr. Dilip Singh, Director (Rural), DoT
17. Mr. Khandagale Dhammapal Anil, Director WF II, Wireless Planning
Finance Wing
18. Ms. Tanvika Singh, Director WR, Wireless Planning Finance Wing
19. Mr. Rohit Jain, ADG (AS-IV), AS Wing, DoT

- 20.Mr. Pranay Diwakar, ADET (DIU), AS Wing, DoT
- 21.Mr R Shakya, DDG(IR), DoT
- 22.Mr A K Singh, Dir(IR-II), DoT
- 23.Mr Sandeep Gupta, Dir(IR-IV), DoT
- 24.Dr. Brijesh Kumbhani, Assistant Professor, EED, IIT Ropar
- 25.Prof. J S Sahambi, Professor, EED, IIT Ropar
- 26.Hemendra Kumar Sharma, Director (PSU-II), DoT
- 27.Mr. Digambar Sangavkar, CDOT
- 28.Mr K J Rajkumar, CDOT
- 29.Mr M Ramesha, CDOT
- 30.Mr. Prasad Borugadda, CDOT
- 31.Mr. Saurabh Basu, CDOT
- 32.Mr. T R Dua, DIPA
- 33.Mr. Vikram Tewatia, COAI
- 34.Mr. Ravi Gandhi, Reliance Jio
- 35.Mr. Rahul Vats, Bharti Airtel
- 36.Mr. Sanjeev Arora, Vodafone Idea
- 37.CMD MTNL
- 38.CMD BSNL
39. Dr. Brajesh Mishra, Director(SRI), DoT

40.Ms. Deepa, ADG(SRI),DoT

41.Dr Lalita Gupta, MANIT

42.Sh. Atul Sinha, DDG (Admin), NTIPRIT

43.Sh. Suneet Tomar, ADG (Admin), NTIPRIT

Annexure-II

A. The Management Team of NWG of ITU-D Study Groups for cycle 2022-25 is as below: -

S. No.	National Working Group of Study Group of ITU-D	Name & Designation of the officer	Role & Responsibilities
1	NWG-1	Mr. R Shakya, DDG (PM), DoT, New Delhi	NWG-1, Chair
2		Mr. Bharat Bhatia, IAFI	NWG-1, Vice- Chair
3	NWG-2	Mr. Premjit Lal, DDG (IR), DoT, New Delhi	NWG-2, Chair
4		Mr. Vikram Tewatia, COAI	NWG-2, Vice- Chair

B. The list of questions of the ITU-D Study Groups for cycle 2022-25 & Action Plan are attached herewith for taking actions as per the name of officers mentioned under each question: -

S. No.	Question No./ Study Group No.	Study Group Question	Stakeholders	Responsibilities
Study Group-1				
1	Q 1/1	Strategies and policies for the deployment of broadband in developing countries	USOF NBM BSNL BIF TRAI AS wing SRI	Mr. Anand Singh, Joint Secretary (T) Mr. Rajesh Gupta, Jt. Admntr. (T&A) Mr. Neeraj Kumar, DDG(NBM), DoT Mr. Vivek Dua, GM (CFA/NWO-BB&IN) Mr. Rajat Mukarji, Director General, Broadband India Forum Representative from TRAI Dr. Navenn Singh Rajput, Professor, IIT-BHU Mr. Ashok Kumar, Director (AS-I), DoT Mr. Jitendra Bhoi, ADG (SRI), DoT Ms. Deepa, ADG (SRI), DoT
2	Q 2/1	Strategies, policies, regulations and methods of migration to and adoption of digital technologies for broadcasting, including to provide new services for various environments	TEC IISC, Bangalore Prasar Bharti	Mr. Avinash Agarwal, DDG (Convergence & Broadcasting) Dr. Pradipta Biswas, IISC, Bangalore Associate Professor, IISc Bangalore Ms. Meenakshi Singhvi, Director (Engg.), AIR & Doordarshan (WR)
3	Q 3/1	The use of telecommunications/ICTs for disaster risk	Disaster Management NDMA	Mr. Sanjay Agrawal, DDG (DM) Mr. Kunal Satyarthi, Joint Secretary (Policy and Plan), NDMA

		reduction and management	CDOT	Dr. Pankaj Kumar Dalela, Director (C-DoT)
4	Q 4/1	Economic aspects of national telecommunications/ICTs	TRAI COAI CS & AS wing Reliance Jio Airtel	Representative from TRAI Mr. Vikram Tewatia, COAI Mr. Brahmananda Srivastava, Director (CS-II) Mr. Ashok Kumar, Director (AS-I), DoT Mr. Ravi Gandhi, Rel-jio Mr. Rahul Vatts, Airtel
5	Q 5/1	Telecommunications/ICTs for rural and remote areas	USOF NBM ITU APT Foundation BSNL DIPA	Mr. B P Vishwakarma, DDG (Mobile-USOF) Mr. Aftab Alam, Director (Mob-1, USOF) Mr. Neeraj Kumar, DDG(NBM), DoT Mr. Bharat Bhatia, ITU-APT Ms. Reena Malhotra, GM (NWP-SP), BSNL Co Mr. T R Dua, DIPA
6	Q 6/1	Consumer information, protection and rights	TRAI COAI	Representative from TRAI Mr. Vikram Tewatia, COAI
7	Q 7/1	Telecommunication/ICT accessibility to enable inclusive communication, especially for persons with disabilities	SR C-DOT TEC	Mr. Pankaj Garg, DDG (SR) Dr. Lakshmi YVS, Group Leader, IPR Cell. C-DOT Mr. V.K. Roy, Director (MT-I), TEC
8	Q 1/2	Smart sustainable cities and communities	NT TEC MoHUA IIT Hyderabad	Mr. Dindayal Tosniwal, DDG (NT), DoT Mr. Sushil Kumar, DDG (IoT), TEC Representative from MoHUA Dr. Kiran Kumar Kuchi, Professor, Department of Electrical Engineering, IIT Hyderabad
Study Group-2				
9	Q 2/2	Enabling technologies for e-services and applications, including e-health and e-education	JS (T) MoHFW Ministry of Education IIT Mumbai	Mr. Soumitra Mandal, Director (IP), Mr. Dilip Singh, Director (Rural), NE LSA, Shillong Mr. Jitendra Arora, Dir. (IEC, NIHFW, e-Gov) Representative from Ministry of Education Prof. Subhasis Chaudhuri, Director, IIT Bombay,
10	Q 3/2	Securing information and communication networks: best practices for developing a culture of cybersecurity	SA-II TEC IIT Delhi	Mr. Mukesh Mangal, DDG (SA-II), DoT Mr. Shashi Mohan, DDG (TS), TEC Prof. Huzur Saran (Co-ordinator), IIT Delhi Dr Vireshwar Kumar, IIT Delhi Mr. Hemendra Kumar Sharma, Director (PSU-II), DoT

11	Q 4/2	Telecommunication/ICT equipment: Conformance and interoperability, combating counterfeiting and theft of mobile devices	TEC COAI SA	Mr. Anand Katoch Mr. Vikram Tewatia, COAI Ms: Kanika Gambhir, ADG(SA)
12	Q 5/2	Adoption of telecommunications/ICTs and improving digital skills	Skill development Telecom Sector Skill Council (TSSC)	Mr. Alok Bharti, DDG (Skill Development) Mr. Arvind Bali, CEO, TSSC
13	Q 6/2	ICTs for the environment	DDG (Budget) MEITY MoEFCC	Ms. Aprajita Sharrma, DDG (B & PEF), DoT Representative from MEITY Representative from MoEFCC
14	Q 7/2	Strategies and Policies concerning human exposure to EMF	CS TEC IIT Hyderabad	Mr. Naina Ram Bishnoi, DDG (CS) Ms. Neha Upadhyay, Director (R-1), TEC, New Delhi Ms. P. Rajalakshmi, Professor, IIT Hyderabad