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Telecom Regulatory Authority of India

TRAI Releases Report of the independent agencies engaged for the Objective Assessment of Quality of Service and Customer Satisfaction Survey of Telecom Services in Himachal Pradesh service area.

TRAI has conducted Network audit for the assessment of Quality of Service being provided by the service providers and collected customer perception of service and assessment of implementation and effectiveness of the Telecom Consumers Complaints Redressal Regulations, 2012 of Basic, Cellular Mobile and Broadband services during the period from April to June, 2012. The main findings of the reports are given below:-

2. Findings of the independent agency on Quality of Service

2.1 Cellular Mobile Telephone Service:

The objective assessment of quality of service and subjective customer satisfaction surveys of the service providers namely M/s Airtel, Aircel, BSNL, Idea, Reliance (GSM & CDMA), Tata (GSM & CDMA), Videocon, Vodafone and MTS was conducted. Service Provider's performance on the selected Key Parameters in respect of cellular mobile telephone service based on one month data verification and the gradation on "Satisfaction" score scale i.e. scores of "Very Satisfied" to "Satisfied" on the matching parameters of the customers perception of services is annexed at "A".

2.2 Basic Telephone Service (Wireline):

The subjective customer satisfaction survey of the service providers, namely, M/s BSNL was conducted. Service Provider's performance on the selected Key Parameters in respect of Basic Telephone service (Wireline) based on the gradation on "Satisfaction" score scale i.e. scores of "Very Satisfied" to "Satisfied" on the matching parameters of the customers perception of services is annexed at "**B**".

2.3 Broadband Service:

The subjective customer satisfaction survey of the service providers, namely, M/s BSNL was conducted. Service Provider's performance on the selected Key Parameters in respect of Broadband service based on the gradation on "Satisfaction" score scale i.e. scores of "Very Satisfied" to "Satisfied" on the matching parameters of the customers perception of services is annexed at "C"

3. Telecom Consumers Complaint Redressal score:

The results of the survey reveal that the service providers need to take effective steps for bringing awareness about two stage redressal mechanism including contact details of appellate authority to improve customer's satisfaction. Service provider wise overall score on various parameters pertaining to Cellular Mobile Telephone, Basic Service (Wireline) and Broadband service is enclosed at Annexure "D".

- **4.** The detailed Report on Quality of Service Audit/Objective Assessment and Customer Satisfaction Survey, including grievance redressal mechanism, conducted during the period April, 2012 to June, 2012 is placed at TRAI Website (*www.trai.gov.in*).
- **5.** In case of any clarification, please contact, Mr. A. Robert. J. Ravi, Advisor (CA & QOS) at Tel. No. 011-23230404/23217914 or at email id: advqos@trai.gov.in.

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<u>Cellular Mobile Services</u>: Performance of Service providers on the selected key parameters based on one month data verification and the proportion of satisfied customers on "Satisfaction" score scale i.e. score of very satisfied to satisfied in respect of related customer service perception parameters for April 2012 to June 2012 for Himachal Pradesh Service Area:

	Network Availability		Accessibility & Retainability				Metering and Billing				Help S	Supplem entary services	
	(Survey)		(Survey)	(Audit)	(Audit)	(Audit)	(Survey)	(Survey	(Au	ıdit)	(Survey)	(Audit)	(Survey)
Name of Service Provider	Custome rs satisfied with Provision of Service	Worst affecte d BTSs due to	Customer s satisfied with network performa nce	up Success Rate (within	(%age)	connectio n with	%custome rs satisfied with billing performan ce (Post Paid)	%custo mers satisfied		ng and redibility (Pre Paid)	% Custome rs satisfied with help service)	answered by	% Custome rs satisfied with supplem entary service)
Bench marks	≥ 90%	≤ 2%	≥ 95%	≥ 95%	≤ 2%	≥ 95%	≥ 95%	≥ 95%	< 0.1%		≥ 90%	≥ 90%	≥ 90%
AIRCEL	93	0.00	88	98.41	0.93	95.78	98	95	0.00	0.003	87	51.10	98
AIRTEL	92	0.00	93	99.22	0.76	98.91	92	99	0.01	0.001	86	93.50	94
BSNL	96	1.78	81	98.13	1.89		90	95	0.002	0.018	73	96.45	82
IDEA	84	0.00	88	98.61	1.13	95.27	69	96	0.00	0.001	90	93.45	86
Rcom (GSM)	58	0.14	86	98.64	0.67	98.20	80	89	0.00	0.04	74	83.27	95
Rcom (CDMA)		0.00	00	99.27	0.03	99.79			0.00	0.01	7-7	95.40	. 33
Videocon		0.00		99.28	0.28	98.47				0.00		97.20	
Vodafone	85	0.00	84	98.96	0.90	96.79	79	95	0.76	0.01	84	92.64	88
MTS		0.00		98.44	0.46	99.34				0.000		100.00	
Tata (GSM)	00		00				75	95	0.00	0.01	0.4	94.59	400
Tata (CDMA)	89	0.00	93	98.67	0.22		75		0.00	0.00	84	96.52	100

<u>Basic Telephone Services</u>: Performance of Service providers on the selected key parameters based on the proportion of satisfied customers on "Satisfaction" score scale i.e. score of very satisfied to satisfied in respect of related customer service perception parameters for April 2012 to June 2012 for Himachal Pradesh Service Area:

	Network Availability	Accessibility	Metering and Billing	Maintainability	Help Service		
Name of Service Provider	(Survey) Customers satisfied with Provision of Service	(Survey) Customers satisfied with network performance	(Survey) %customers satisfied with billing performance (Post Paid)	(Survey) % Customers satisfied with Maintainability)	(Survey) % Customers satisfied with help service		
Bench marks	≥ 90%	≥ 95%	≥ 95%	≥ 95%	≥ 90%		
BSNL	94	94 94		86	81		

<u>Broadband Services</u>: Performance of Service providers on the selected key parameters based on the proportion of satisfied customers on "Satisfaction" score scale i.e. score of very satisfied to satisfied in respect of related customer service perception parameters for April 2012 to June 2012 for Himachal Pradesh Service Area:

	Network Availability			Metering and Billing	Help Services	Supplementary services	
Name of Service	(Survey)	(Survey)	Survey	(Survey)	(Survey)	(Survey)	
Provider	Customers satisfied with Provision of Service	Customers satisfied with network performance	Customers satisfied with Maintainability	% customers satisfied with billing performance (Post Paid)	% Customers satisfied with help service)	% Customers satisfied with supplementary service)	
Bench marks	≥ 90%	≥ 85%	≥ 85%	≥ 90%	≥ 90%	≥ 85%	
BSNL	98	80	69	89	68	95	

Service provider wise score on various provisions of the Telecom Consumers Complaint Redressal Regulations, 2012 in respect of Cellular Mobile, Basic Telephone and Broadband service for April to June, 2012 for Himachal Pradesh Service Area:

S.No.	Sub Parameter	Aircel	Airtel	BSNL			IDEA	Reliance	TTSL	VODAFONE
		Cellular (%)	Cellular (%)	Cellular (%)	Basic (%)	Broadba nd (%)	Cellular (%)	Cellular (%)	Cellular (%)	Cellular (%)
1	For prepaid customers awareness about item-wise usage charge details on request	23	44	27			26	12	10	22
2	If aware (for pre-paid customers) ever denied of item wise usage change details for pre paid connection	2	0	0			5	0	0	0
3	For new customers provisioning of "Manual of practice while taking the new connection	29	30	25	28	22	34	28	38	40
4	Awareness of call center for redressing grievances	64	72	67	16	29	64	60	25	46
5	Penetration of consumers made any complaint to the toll free number within last 6 months	10	5	5	15	28	11	35	4	4
6	Call center informing about the action taken on complaint	77	30	45	43	39	71	72	53	21
7	Resolution of billing complaint by customer care within 4 weeks of lodging complaint	6	30	45	52	31	48	46	47	14
8	Awareness about contact detail of appellate authority for redressing grievances	1	2	0	3	1	3	3	2	2