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Subject: Introduction of data plans of short-duration validity under the PM-WANI (Prime Minister's Public Wi-Fi Access Network Interface) Framework

Reference is invited to the PM-WANI framework, as published on the web portal of this Department, to accelerate proliferation of broadband services through public wi-fi networks across the country.

2. In this connection, the undersigned is directed to convey that with a view to enhance adoption and usage of public wi-fi hotspots deployed under PM-WANI framework, especially among users requiring brief internet access such as travellers, students and commuters, and to thereby increase footfalls and revenues for Public Data Offices (PDOs) and Public Data Office Aggregators (PDOAs), PDOs and PDOAs are hereby advised to consider introducing data plans of short-duration validity. Such plans may offer internet access for short durations like 15 minutes, 30 minutes and 60 minutes, ensuring greater utility and accessibility for end-users while adhering to the Fair Usage Policy of the PDOs or PDOAs concerned.



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