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ITI Limited Starts Telecom Testing Center in Bengaluru

- *The center consists of four labs namely EMI/EMC Lab, Safety Lab, Specific Absorption Rate (SAR) Lab and Security lab*
- *The new facility enables testing of telecom products and equipment and ensures security in digital communications*

Bengaluru, February 9, 2019: To enable safety and security of telecom equipment in the country, a new telecom testing facility was inaugurated by Smt Anuradha Mitra, Member-Finance, Department of Telecommunications, Government of India today at ITI Bangalore Plant, Bengaluru.

ITI has set up these Testing Labs in collaboration with DoT's National Digital Communications Policy, making mandatory testing, validation and security certification of various network elements of Telecom network to protect, secure and make it less vulnerable from internal and external threats. These Labs have the capacity to test and certify the network elements as per National & International Standards.

Inaugurating the two labs of Telecom Testing Center at Bangalore Plant, Smt. Anuradha Mitra, Member, Finance, Department of Telecommunications said, "The state-of-art facility for telecom equipment testing will enable ITI in offering testing services to various equipment manufacturers. These labs will not only strengthen the telecom testing ecosystem in the country but also serve in enhancing the user experience through better quality services.

Out of four labs, Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC)/ Electromagnetic Interference (EMI) and Safety Lab have been commissioned by the Government.

Highlighting the importance of Telecom Testing Center, Shri K. Alagesan, Chairman and Managing Director, ITI Limited said, "At ITI, we believe in constantly improving the infrastructure and coming out with robust mechanism to strengthen telecommunication technology development in India. This initiative, in support with DoT will witness a new era of telecom equipment testing and supplement make in India program of Government of India.

Key Features of Testing Center

- *Testing the security of all types of IP and telecom / ICT equipment in access, transport, control and application layers of wireless and wireline domain being deployed in the telecom network e.g. NGN, IMS, LTE etc.*
- *Testing of various End User Devices such as mobile handset, dongles and CPE devices such as Residential Gateways, LTE- CPE devices with Wi-Fi interfaces etc.*
- *Conformance of telecom equipment against the security requirements/standards/specifications prescribed by DoT before deploying them into the network.*

In September 2018, as per directives from Government of India, ITI limited in association with Department of Telecommunications has planned to establish a Telecom Testing Centre in its Bangalore plant. The foundation stone of testing labs was laid by Hon'ble Minister of Communications (Independent charge) & Minister of State of Railways, Sri Manoj Sinha in the presence of Telecom Secretary Smt Aruna Sundararajan on 2nd September, 2018.

“The state-of-the-art telecom testing labs at its Bengaluru plant will facilitate mandatory testing of imported and indigenous telecom equipment in India. The testing in these labs is carried out with the objective of ensuring that the equipment meets relevant international standards such that it is safe to use, the radio frequency emissions from it are within prescribed limits, it does not degrade the performance of the network to which it is connected, and it complies with the relevant national regulations”, said **Shri R. M. Agarwal, Director, Marketing, ITI Limited.**

The commercial services for EMI/EMC Testing and Safety Testing for Pre-compliance and Certification will commence from March 2019. The other two labs SAR testing Lab and Telecom Security Testing Lab are expected to be operational from July 2019.

About ITI Limited:

ITI Limited is a public sector undertaking in the telecommunications technology segment. The company has manufacturing facilities in Bengaluru, Naini, Rae Bareli, Mankapur and Palakkad along with an R&D centre in Bengaluru and 8 regional offices in India, which were located at Bengaluru, Bhubaneswar, Chennai, Hyderabad, Kolkata, Lucknow, Mumbai and New Delhi as well as 17 area offices spread across the country. The company has a diverse suite of products including defence security encryption products; optical and data network products and passive infrastructure products such as gigabit passive optical network and managed leased line products; multi-capacity encryption units, electrical products such as smart energy meters, smart cards, solar panels, set-top boxes and mini personal computers and Internet of Things products. Besides offering the telecom solutions and customized support, ITI has dedicated a Network System Unit for executing turnkey projects for installation and commissioning of telecommunication networks. The company intends to upgrade and invest in the technology, through the acquisition of technology from strategic partners with a specific focus on high growth industry segments. The company operates a data centre at Bengaluru and currently also offers its services to government institutions/departments, banks etc.

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