

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA

ABSTRACT

ITE&C Dept. – Policy and Guidelines for provision of Mobile communication facility to State Government and Local Government Officials – 2018 - Orders – Issued.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, ELECTRONICS & COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT
(Communications Wing)

G.O.Rt.No. 39

Dated: 15-03-2018

Read:

G.O.Rt.No.158, IT&C (Communications wing) Dept., dt.18.09.2012.

ORDER:

In order to provide Cellular Phones to eligible State and Local Government officials requiring Mobile Tele-services for effective communication, increased access and accountability, certain policy guidelines were issued in the G.O read above with the Tariff and the Rental limits of Closed User Group (CUG). Since then many technological advances have occurred and data access requirement has also been identified. In view of the increasing usage and accessibility through latest technologies, several requests have come from various Departments of the Secretariat and Heads of Departments for enhancement of Tariff for Handsets and Recurring charges of the Mobile Phones being provided to the State Government and Local Government officials, that as more and more officials are using data apart from the voice call facility for effectively administering the official work and as such they have requested the ITE&C Dept., for revising the existing policy envisaged in the G.O. read above.

2. In this context, a study has been made on data Tariff and Handset (Phones) rates for providing Cellular Phones to eligible State and Local Government Officials requiring Mobile Teleservices to ensure effective communication, increase of access and accountability.

3. Government after careful examination of the matter hereby issue the following revised policy and guidelines with the Tariff for Handsets and rental limits as per the categorization of the officials. The maximum limit on monthly recurring charges of Mobile Phones is not increased since the rates are in fact decreasing from time to time.

Handsets & Recurring charges:

Category	Eligible Officials	Handset cost (Maximum limit)	Mobile Charges per month (Maximum limit)
Category – I	Special Secretaries, Secretaries, HoDs, includes Chief Secretaries, Principal Secretaries, includes	Rs.60,000/-	Rs.2,000/-
Category – II	Includes Secretaries and above, Deputy and equivalent rank	Rs.25,000/-	Rs.1,375/-
Category – III	Includes all the Gazetted Officers	Rs.20,000/-	Rs.625/-

4. The Heads of Departments are authorized to identify the officials requiring Mobile Tele services to ensure increased access and accountability. The cost of Handsets of Cell Phones and monthly recurring charges shall invariably borne by the concerned Department from the Departmental Budgetary funds only. The ITE&C Dept., advises on Tariff and empanelment of service provider.

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5. For replacement of lost/old handset, it is advised that handset replacement can be done in case of theft, as per existing Government procedures for theft cases. Further, Handset replacement can be considered in case of wear and tear once in five (5) years, in case of battery life with three (3) years causing beyond economic repair and non availability of spare parts which should be supported by a certificate from the authorized company.
6. All the authorized users of Mobile Phones can make use of additional/new Technologies on Mobile Phones like GPRS, EDGE, 3G and 4G etc, subject to the ceiling fixed for usage of Mobile Phones by the Government from time to time.
7. The M.D, TSTSL, Hyderabad is requested to initiate process for identification of empanelment of services providers providing the Closed User Group (CUG) for the officials of Government of Telangana with special Tariff and Rental in order to take advantage of the lowest Tariff and better facilities by all the Departments which may be valid for (1) one year from the effective date as Mobile Phone Tariffs are most likely to come down further subsequently.
8. The orders issued in the G.O. vide reference read above are hereby superseded.
9. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance (EBS.I) Department vide their U.O.No.15775/304/A2/EBS.I/2017, dt.25.01.2018.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

JAYESH RANJAN
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
All Spl. Chief Secretaries/Prl. Secretaries/Secretaries of all Departments in the Secretariat.
All Departments of the Secretariat.
All Heads of Departments in the State.
All the District Collectors in the State.
The Managing Director, TSTSL, BRKR Bhavan, Hyderabad.
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P.S. to C.M.
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The Finance (EBS.I) Dept.
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