FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs) REGARDING LICENCE FOR ABOVE 806 MHz

1. Who can apply for licence?

Answer: Any registered company with a valid CIN or an individual with a valid PAN Number can apply for the licence.

2. What is the procedure for obtaining the licence?

Answer: The online application has to be filled and LOI (Letter of Intent) will be uploaded after scrutiny. The Royalty and Licence fee will be mentioned in the same. After payment, the frequency earmarking/decision letter will be issued. The details of the equipment and SACFA Clearance may be submitted to obtain the final Wireless Operating Licence.

3. When can the frequency be put into operation?

Answer: As per procedure, the frequency can be put into operation only after obtaining the Wireless Operating Licence. Within one year of obtaining the DL, the detailed invoice of the equipment and the SACFA Clearance in respect of fixed sites needs to be furnished and the Wireless Operating Licence obtained.

5. Can I choose the frequency of operation?

Answer: No. The frequency of operation will be assigned by WPC. However, you are required to mention the frequency bands in which the equipment will operate by referring to the technical literature.

6. What should be the emission code?

Answer: Please refer to the technical literature of the equipment for the emission code. You may also refer to the ITU guidelines for the correct format. https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-R/terrestrial/workshops/wrs12/Miscellaneous/Appendix1.pdf

7. Can I change the location of operation after obtaining the licence?

Answer: No, the frequency is issued for a particular location and under no circumstances can be changed.

8. What should I do for adding more stations after the licence is obtained?

Answer: If the additional stations are under the same network, you will need to apply for Additional Licence. If the additional stations pertain to a separate network, application for obtaining a new licence has to be filled.

9. When can I buy the equipment?

Answer: The equipment can be bought after obtaining the Decision Letter/Frequency earmarking. The necessary Import licence can be obtained from the respective Regional Licensing Office (RLO).

10. Can I replace the equipment?

Answer: The equipment can be replaced only after producing the Destruction Certificate for the old equipment. The Destruction Certificate can be obtained from the Inspection Engineer of the nearest Wireless Monitoring Station.

11. What will be the licence fee? How is it calculated?

Answer: For Charging of Licence fee and other fees, Surcharge/ late fee and Charging Methodologies for Royalty / licence fees, relevant OM No. L-14022/03/2014-WF/819 dated 06th June, 2018 shall be applicable.

12. How will I know the status of the application?

Answer: The status of the application can be checked online on the SaralSanchar Website. You need to click the application ID in your dashboard of Previous Applications.

13. In how many days should I pay the licence fee.

Answer: The licence fee should be paid within 60 days from the generation of the LOI (Letter of Intent).

14. What will be the validity of the licence?

Answer: The Decision Letter/AIP will be valid for 1 year from the date of generation of LOI. The DL should be converted to WOL (Wireless Operating Licence) within that time. The WOL can further be renewed for a period of 1 year.

15. When should I pay the Renewal fees?

Answer: The fees for renewal should be paid before the expiry period for which renewal is sought. A Late fee @2% per month compounded annually, would be applicable over and above the referred spectrum dues for the payment beyond the due date.

16. What details are to be submitted for converting DL to WOL.

Answer: For conversion of DL to WOL, the invoice of the equipment purchased and the SACFA clearance in respect of the fixed stations needs to be submitted.

17. Can I get a duplicate copy of the licence?

Answer: Yes. In case of loss/damage of original licence, you can apply for a Duplicate copy of licence after payment of the requisite fee of Rs 1000/-.

18. How to pay the license fee?

Answer: For issue of licence, renewal, issue of duplicate licence, the details of payment head for making payment through NTRP is Pay & Account Office (PAO): 077188-Controller of Communication Accounts, PAO HQ

19. What is the procedure for cancellation of licence?

Answer: For cancellation/surrender of licence, the applicant may submit the following

- (i) Original Decision Letter/Wireless Operating Licence
- (ii) Copy of updated renewal certificate of WOL/DL
- (iii) Destruction Certificate for Wireless equipment issued by Wireless Monitoring Station/Dealer Possession Licence (DPL) Holder
- (iv) In case the equipment is not destructed, then a Non Dealer Possession Licence (NDPL) issued by Wireless Monitoring Station or a Buy back certificate from a DPL Holder For further clarification please refer to WPC OM No. R-11017/04/2017-PP dated 07/12/2018 may be referred.
- 20. Whom should I contact for any further queries?

Answer: For any further queries, please contact Assistant Wireless Advisor (T-Group), WPC Wing, Sanchar Bhawan or 011-23036595