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**भारत सरकार/ Government of India**  
**संचार मंत्रालय/Ministry of Communications**  
**दूरसंचार विभाग/Department of Telecommunications**  
**राष्ट्रीय संचार सुरक्षा केंद्र / National Centre for Communication Security**  
**बेंगलुरु - 560027/ Bengaluru - 560027**

**31-07-2024**

**NOTIFICATION**

Sub: Security Certification of Optical Network Terminal (ONT) under ComSec scheme of MTCTE –  
Reg.

National Centre for Communication Security (NCCS), Department of Telecommunications, Govt of India hereby notifies the commencement of Voluntary Security Certification (VSC) of Optical Network Terminal with effect from 01/08/2024. The applicants (OEMs/Importers/dealers/Users) can avail the benefits of Voluntary Security Certification scheme from 01/08/2024. The enforcement dates for mandatory certification are as below:

Sl. No.	Category	Certification	Remarks
1	The models of Optical Network Terminal which have not undergone certification for Essential Requirements (ERs) of TEC under MTCTE and proposed to be sold by OEM or Importer in India	Such products shall be mandatorily certified for their compliance to ITSAR under ComSec scheme with effect from <b>01/02/2025</b> . Till such time, these products will be certified under Voluntary Security Certification (VSC).	During the VSC period, administrative fee and Security Test Evaluation Fee shall not be levied.
2	The models of Optical Network Terminal which were certified by TEC for its Essential Requirements (ERs) under MTCTE and have already been deployed in telecom network and proposed for change in hardware or software.	Such products shall be mandatorily certified for their compliance to ITSAR under ComSec scheme with effect from <b>01/04/2025</b> . Till such time, these products shall be certified under Voluntary Security Certification (VSC).	

This issues with the approval of competent authority.

Director (SC&HQ),  
O/o Sr DDG (NCCS),  
Bengaluru – 27.

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1. Member(S), DCC, New Delhi for kind information.
2. Sr. DDG, TEC, New Delhi for kind information and necessary action at their end.
3. DDG(SA), DoT, New Delhi for kind information.