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Subject: Exemption of Conferencing Equipment from MTCTE, as already covered under CRO

Respected Sir

Greetings from MAIT!

I am approaching you on behalf of MAIT, India's apex ICT Industry body. Founded in 1982, MAIT represents India's IT Hardware, Telecom manufacturers, Recyclers, PROs, Testing Laboratories & Affiliated Associations. At the outset, we would like to state that the Industry is deeply thankful to TEC for the announcement acknowledging the regulatory overlap across ICT products and exempt a few products from the purview of Mandatory Testing & Certification for Telecom Equipment (MTCTE). We congratulate TEC for acting quickly to remove this overlap for specified products.

In the spirit of the announcement, we wanted to bring to your notice another product where a similar product overlap continues to exist between the Compulsory Registration Order (CRO) Scheme and MTCTE. This equipment is Conferencing Equipment. Presently this is covered under Phase 4 of MTCTE regime.

Conferencing Equipment are not explicitly notified as a product category under the CRO Scheme. However, they are mandated to be tested against the categories *Visual Display Units, Video Monitors of screen size upto 32" (#40) and Visual Display Units, Videos Monitors of Screen Size 32" And Above (#14)*¹. This has been clarified under Question #11 in the Frequently Asked Question², which states that video display units of high-definition video conferencing products fall under this Order.

We would like to highlight that with the advent of technology, the camera and codec are in-built under video display units, comprising the entire conferencing equipment.

As these products are duly covered and tested for Safety parameter, we seek exemption of the Conferencing Equipment under the MTCTE scheme, to enable ease of compliance in the electronics & telecom equipment industry. As you must be aware, conferencing equipment have been the backbone of remote governance, remote working, and remote education & healthcare. We seek your guidance in continued support to the industry to limit disruption in the true spirit of Ease of Doing Business.

With regards,

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¹ [List of Products under Compulsory Registration Scheme](#)

² https://www.crsbis.in/BIS/app_srv/tdc/gl/docs/ModifiedFAQsFeb2019.pdf