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The CIS Division MHA GOI New Delhi vide letter No II/21021/31/2017-IS.II/M dated 19.06.2018 has intimated that BSNL has been issued a 'Sui Generis' licence by Department of Telecom (DOT)GOI New Delhi for providing Global Satellite Phone Services in collaboration with M/s Inmarsat from BSNL Gateway at Ghaziabad. BSNL Ghaziabad has the capability to monitor and intercept the communication as per requirement of law Enforcement Agencies.

It has been further intimated that use of BSNL provided Inmarsat Satellite handset (ISAT Phone) has been allowed in the country and users of the Service are required to show the authorisation of the handset, whenever asked by security personnel.

Use of all other Satellite Phone services such as Thuraya etc. continues to be unlawful in Indian Territory, unless specific permission is given by the competent authority for use of such service. It has been intimated that unauthorised use of Satellite Phone is punishable as per provisions under section 20 and 21 of the India Telegraph Act, 1885 for violation of provisions of section 4 of the said Act.

Accordingly, it is enjoined upon all the field formations that use of Satellite Phone Service (GSPS) of BSNL be allowed by authorised customers.

However, action, as per law should be taken in case unauthorised use of satellite phones is noticed /observed.

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Director General of Police,  
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