ERNET India

SERVICE TERMS & CONDITIONS (STC) FOR TERRESTRIAL WAN CONNECTIVITY

(TO BE EFFECTIVE FROM DATE: 01st October 2012, i.e. Commencement date of second billing cycle 2012)

(For circulation to the Terrestrial WAN users of ERNET India)

1. General terms:

- 1.1 ERNET India agrees to provide, and user agrees to accept, the Internet/Intranet services in accordance with the 'Service Terms & Conditions (STC)' set forth in this document. This document overrides any clause(s) of Service Agreement/Terms notified earlier (if any) to the users. This STC document is hosted on website of ERNET India (www.ernet.in).
- In case there will be any changes or amendments in the STC, the same will be communicated to the user and also made available on the website of ERNET India (www.ernet.in).
- 1.3 ERNET India will forward two copies of STC (as well as changes or amendments in future if any) to the user. User will be required to sign one copy and send back to us.
- In case user has any queries/concerns on the STC, the user will be required to respond/write to ERNET India within two weeks from the date of issue of STC.

In case of non-receipt of queries/concerns to ERNET India from the user in the above specified time, STC will be applicable to the user and user is bound by the STC even if the signed copy is not forwarded to ERNET India.

1.5 The user will be required to communicate to the following address in regard to any queries/concerns on the STC:

Registrar & CPO ERNET India Jeewan Prakash Building, 10th Floor K.G. Marg, New Delhi -110 001

1.6 Once User has started using the service/link, he will be bound to the "Service Terms & Conditions" of ERNET India even in the absence of any response on these service terms & conditions. In case of any dispute, the decision of the ERNET India will be treated as final.

2. Schedule of invoices by ERNET India and payment by the user along with related terms/conditions:

2.1 The schedule of invoices by ERNET India and payments by user are given hereunder:

Period of	Period to	Period to	Reminders to	Temporary	Permanent
Service	raise Invoice	receive	the user to make	Disconnection of the	Disconnection of
(six		payments	the payment	service/link	the service/link
monthly)					
1 st April	1 st April		1 st Reminder will be issued	If payment is not received within 15	In case payment is not received
to	to	30 th Sep.	during 1-15	days from the 2 nd	not received within 30 days
30 th Sep of each year	31 st July of the service period		Oct. 2 nd Reminder will be issued after 15 days of 1 st reminder.	reminder, service/link will be temporarily disconnected. i.e. w.e.f 30 th Nov. However, billing for the service/link will continue.	from the date of temporary disconnection, service/link will be disconnected permanently, i.e. w.e.f. 31 st Dec.

to 31 st Mar of each year to 31 st Jan of the service period. 31 st Mar of each year to 31 st Mar of each year during 1-15 days from the 2 nd reminder, service/link will be temporarily disconnected. i.e. w.e.f 31 st May. 2 nd Reminder will be issued after 15 days of 1 st reminder. However, billing for the service/link will continue. However, billing for the service/link will continue.	date of ion, k will onnected ly, i.e.

- 2.2 Invoice will be raised by ERNET India in the printed and electronics form to the user. Invoices will be sent to the user through post or fax or email. For receiving the invoices through Email, the user needs to provide the Email IDs to ERNET India in writing.
- 2.3 User has to pay the bill as per the schedule given in <u>table at Sr. 2.1 above</u>.
- In case of non-payment within 15 days of 2nd Reminder, the service/link will be temporarily disconnected without further intimation. However, billing for the service/link will continue during temporary disconnection of service/link (as stated in table at Sr. 2.1 above).
- 2.5 In case of non-payment within 30 days of temporary disconnection of the service/link, the service/link will be permanently disconnected without further intimation (<u>as stated in table at Sr. 2.1 above</u>).
- After permanent disconnection of the service/link due to non-payment, the service/link may be re-connected as a new user by paying applicable re-connection charges. Before re-connection, the user will clear all outstanding payments/dues. The re-connected service/link will be treated as new service/link.
- 2.7 User will need to the pay the full amount of the invoice raised to them.
 - a) Any deduction from the raised invoice by the user themselves due to non-availability of the services, downtime, etc will not be acceptable. Any such deductions may lead to disconnection of the service/link.
 - b) For discount/waiver in the raised invoice due to non-availability of the services/ downtime, user needs to request for the same separately to ERNET India in writing by providing supporting documents within the period of one (01) month from the date of occurrence of the problem in the service/link. Any request for waiver in the raised invoice due to downtime in the service/link received after one (01) month (from the occurrence of the problem) in ERNET India will not be entertained. Credit note for the same will be issued separately by ERNET India to the user.
 - c) Discount/waiver in the form of Credit note will be provided subject to the Service Terms & Conditions of this document. For availing the discount/waiver, user must provide the required supporting documents to ERNET India within specified duration.
- 2.8 User will be charged irrespective of link utilization.

- 2.9 All invoices raised are subject to Service Tax and Tax Deducted at Source as per statutory law of Government of India. Service tax is deposited in advance on raising invoices. Therefore recovery of service tax is necessary.
- 2.10 The user will be required to provide the details of PAN, TAN and Service Tax No., which are mandatory as per law.
- 2.11 For all types of queries/concerns related to the invoices/bills, user may lodge the complaint & escalate it as per following:
 - a) Complaint can be lodged at the following:

Name & designation : Smt. Leena Rajput, Assistant

 Email
 : leena@eis.ernet.in

 Phone / Mobile
 : 011-23765374

 Fax
 : 011-23753985

Note: User should take Complaint Lodging Ticket number for future reference and follow-ups.

b) Complaint can be escalated at the following:

1st Level:

Name & designation : Shri Sandeep Kumar, Sr. Finance Executive

Email : <u>ca.sandeepkumar@hotmail.com</u>

Phone : 011-23765374 Fax : 011-23753985

2nd Level:

Name & designation : Shri Narendra Namrani, Section Officer

Email : nnamrani@eis.ernet.in

Phone : 011-23358245 Fax : 011-23753985

Note: User should provide the "Complaint Lodging Ticket number" for reference.

2.12 The annual subscription tariff of the service/link is subject to change/revision at any time depending on the prevailing market trends. The change/revision in the tariff will be communicated to the user beofore one month of its implementation separately. If user has any queries/concerns in regard to the revision in the tariff, he has to communicate the same to ERNET India in writing within 30 days from the issue of ERNET India letter or email.

3. **Maintenance support:**

- 3.1 The Service/link is under on-site comprehensive maintenance with ERNET India subject to the following conditions:
 - a) Equipment will be not be repaired/replaced under AMC if damage to them occures due to bad power supply, improper earthing, fluctuations / surge in the power supply, burning of the equipment due to fire or bad power supply, physical damage, misuse, neglect, tampering, force majeure conditions like earthquakes, fire, floods, storms, tsunami, lightening, etc. Consumable items like cables, connectors, etc will not be under AMC.
 - b) Repair /replacement of the equipments which are not covered under AMC will be done on chargeable basis on the receipt of its advance payment. In this case, the repair time

will be communicated to the user. Downtime in the services due to above reasons will not be accounted for providing rebate in the annual subscription charges. However, user may opt for temporary disconnection **as per clause 4.0 of this document** to get the equipment repaired/replaced and avail the discount.

4. **Temporary disconnection:**

- 4.1 If user desires to disconnect the Internet link temporarily, due to any reason (like damage of some equipments not covered under AMC, delay in the payment for the repair / replacement of damaged equipment not covered under AMC, shifting of the link, internal LAN/PC problems, etc), user needs to make a written communication for temporary disconnection to ERNET India, New Delhi.
- 4.2 Temporary disconnection will be effective WITHIN 7 DAYS from the date of the receipt of the communication to ERNET India. Temporary disconnection will be for a maximum period of 90 days. In case a written communication is not received, full subscription /rental charges will be levied.

Discount for the temporary disconnection period will be given in the next billing cycle. Current bill needs to be paid in full by the user.

During temporary disconnection, applicable Govt. license fee and other mandatory and fixed overheads / payments to be made to the Govt. departments for the particular user link/service will not be waived. However, the charges for bandwidth will be waived off during accepted temporary disconnection period.

- 4.3 After 90 days, the annual subscription charges will start automatically again irrespective of link restoration by repair/replacement of faulty equipments without any intimation to the user.
- 4.4 In some exceptional cases, user requests may be considered separately for the waiver in the annual subscription charges. However, in this regard ERNET India reserves the right to take any decision at its own discretion.

5. Permanent disconnection:

5.1 User may opt to disconnect/ discontinue the services/link at any time by giving at least three months advance notice to ERNET India in writing. ERNET India will disconnect the service/link after three months from the receipt of the user letter in ERNET India.

However, permanent disconnection is not allowed during commitment period. Such commitment period will be communicated to the user at the time of link supply.

In case a permanent disconnection is requested during commitment period, the subscription charges on pro-rata basis will be charged for the balance days in commitment period at the time of Full & Final settlement.

- 5.2 The minimum commitment period for services/link is one year from the date of commissioning of the link. However, it may be more than one year period if agreed with the user separately.
- 5.3 IP addresses allocated to the user shall be withdrawn after service/link disconnection.

6. Technical support:

- 6.1 For resolving link related issues, user has to ear-mark at least two technical officers (having knowledge from the same technical field) from their organization for coordinating the link related issues. Their name, designation, phone numbers, email addresses shall be communicated to ERNET India in writing.
- 6.2 Technical support will be rendered only for services/equipments provided by ERNET India.
- 6.3 Support for problems arising due to software/hardware other than those provided by ERNET India is not under our purview. However, ERNET India may try to provide telephonic support for LAN, virus issues, etc.

7. **Precautions:**

- 7.1 Site should have proper Earthling for the equipment, i.e. Voltage between Earth and Neutral should be less than two (02) volts.
- 7.2 Site should provide power supply to the equipments from on-line UPS system.
- 7.3 Site should protect the LAN from viruses for smooth access of Internet.

8. Complaint Lodging and Escalation procedure:

8.1 If user faces any problem related to services/link, its complaint should be lodged to ERNET India Helpdesk immediately. Please ensure to take "Complaint number" while lodging complaint as it is must for all future communications as well as for availing discount/waiver in the raised invoice due to non-availability of the services/link.

In case complaint is not lodged to ERNET India, ERNET India will not be responsible for its rectification or delay.

All complaints should be lodged immediately at any number mentioned below by taking its "Complaint number":

Location: ERNET HQ, New Delhi

ERNET Helpdesk

Toll Free No: 1800-112-436 Email id: helpdesk@eis.ernet.in

Please note that the complaint can be logged at **ERNET Helpdesk**, **New Delhi** during working hours (9:00AM-5:30PM) on all working days excluding Sundays & National Holidays.

Note: In case complaint is lodged through Email or letter/fax, the reference of Email, letter, fax needs to be provided in place of 'Complaint number'.

8.2 In case of services/link problem does not get rectified within 48 hours from the lodging of the complaint at above numbers, please escalate the complaint to the following officers:

Location: ERNET India, HQ, New Delhi

Mr. Dilip Barman, Senior Manager

Phone No.: 011-24361981 Fax No.: 011-23753985

Email id-1: <u>barman@eis.ernet.in</u> Email id-2: <u>popdelhi@eis.ernet.in</u>

8.3 In case problem is not rectified in 4 days from the lodging of the complaint, please escalate the complaint to the following officer on Phone or E-mail or Fax:

Location: ERNET India, HQ, New Delhi

Mr. Dipak Singh, Director Phone No.: 011-24361701 Fax No.: 011-23753985

Email id-1: <u>deepak@eis.ernet.in</u> Email id-2: <u>popdelhi@eis.ernet.in</u>

NOTE:

The following information is to be provided while lodging the services/link related complaint:

 University/Institute Name; Fault description; Call back Telephone Number with Contact Details of technical person.

(Signature on behalf of the user organization)	(Signature on behalf of ERNET India)
Official Name:	Official Name: Dinesh Kumar Dixit
Designation:	Designation: Registrar & CPO
Name of the institute with address:	ERNET India (An Autonomous Scientific Organization of Department of Electronics and Information Technology, Govt. of India) Jeevan Prakash Building, 10 th Floor K.G. Marg, New Delhi 110 001
Tel: Fax: Email: Date:	Tel: 011-2375 3984 Fax:011-2375 3985 Email: registrar@eis.ernet.in Date: