

The Telecommunications Law (Draft)
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The Pyidaungsu Hluttaw hereby enacts this Law.

Chapter I

Title, Application and Definition

1. This Law shall be called the Telecommunications Law.
2. The provisions in this Law shall -
 - (a) be applicable to any person, department and organization in the territory of the Union of Myanmar which includes the land mass, water and air space of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar.
 - (b) also be applicable to Myanmar citizens anywhere outside the Republic of the Union of Myanmar.
3. The following expressions contained in the Law shall have the meanings given hereunder:
 - (a) **Telecommunications:** means a transmission or reception of information in its original or modified form by wire, fiber optic cable or any conducting cable, or by means of radio waves, light rays or other forms of electromagnetic transmission.
 - (b) **Information:** includes data, original text, image, sound, code, sign, signal, computer programmes, software, databases and any combination thereof.
 - (c) **Wireless communications:** means transmission or reception of information by means of radio, optical, electromagnetic transmission or any other means without the use of wires, fiber optical cables or any conducting cable between transmitter and receiver.

- (d) **Telecommunications network:** means a system that utilizes any telecommunication technology to connect a network of communication facilities, telecommunications equipment, computers, any peripherals used in conjunction with any or more of the above, through a compatible system and equipment by means of any form of wired or wireless communications technology
- (e) **User Network Boundary:** means the point where the initial telecommunication equipment is installed, or a point where information can be received from the consumer or a network facility able of sending information to a consumer.
- (f) **Telecommunications Service provider:** means a business operating a network facilities provider business, a network service business, an applied service provider business or more than one of such businesses.
- (g) **Network Facilities Provider:** means a business that owns a network facility and leases its network facilities to a licensed telecommunications service provider or a business that operates a network facility service by itself.
- (h) **Network Service provider :** means a service for carrying information two ways by any means of telecommunication. This expression does not include a service provided solely on the customer side of the [user] network boundary
- (i) **Application service provider:** means a service providing one or more network services. This expression does not include a service provided solely on the customer side(user) of the network boundary.
- (j) **Telecommunications equipment :** means telecommunications equipment specifically determined by the Ministry for the purposes of this law.
- (k) **Communications market:** means a market for any communication services or a market for goods or services used in conjunction with such communication services.
- (l) **Content:** means text, sound, still or moving picture, or other audio-visual representation, tactile representation, or any combination of the preceding which is capable of being created, manipulated, stored, retrieved or communicated electronically.
- (m) **Network facility:** means any one element or combination of such elements of physical infrastructure used for providing of network services

- (n) Frequency band:** means a continuous frequency range of spectrum from 3 hertz up to 420 terahertz.
- (o) Telecommunications number plan:** means the numbering plan for the Union of Myanmar for use in telecommunications operations.
- (p) Electronic addressing plan:** means the electronic addressing plan for the Republic of the Union of Myanmar for use in the communication processes among IT systems.
- (q) Telecommunication equipment license means a license issued to an individual, department or organization to possess and use a telecommunication equipment**
- (r) Service license:** means a service license, issued under this law, to a person, department or an organization to establish and provide telecommunications services
- (s) License:** means a license issued under this Law to a specified person, department or an organization to conduct a specified activity and telecommunications equipment license.
- (t) Ministry:** means the Ministry of Communications and Information Technology of the Union Government.
- (u) Department:** means the Telecommunications Department under the Ministry of Communications and Information Technology.
- (v) Appeal Court** means the communications appeal court formed by the Union Government to appeal when it is not satisfied with the order or decision passed by the Ministry.

Chapter II

Objectives of the Law

- 4. The objectives of this Law are as follows: -
 - (a) To support the modernisation and development of the State by means of telecommunications technology;
 - (b) In developing the telecommunications sector, providing equal opportunities and transparent competition between local and foreign entities for developing a high quality and worthy telecommunication services to the users

- (c) Using modern telecommunication technology, to establish a telecommunication network with nation wide coverage and providing opportunities for the general public to utilize such services
- (d) To give protection to the telecommunications service provider which establishes and operates such businesses and to the users in accordance with the Law;
- (e) To supervise the telecommunication services, network facilities and licensed telecommunication equipment to be used only for purposes of enhancing peace and stability and security of the general public

Chapter III

Telecommunications Service License

5. Any individual , department or business organization, inside the Republic of the Union of Myanmar or from abroad, willing to provide the following facilities and/or telecommunications services shall apply to the Department for permission and license in accordance with these provisions-
 - (a) Network facility service provider :
 - (b) Network service provider ;
 - (c) Application service provider
6. The Department shall announce to the general public the selection policies, rules, regulations and procedures to be followed for telecommunication service providers
7. The applications submitted to the department in accordance with section 5 shall be scrutinized according to section 6 and submitted to the Ministry with recommendations.
8. The Union Ministry may:
 - (a) Upon receiving the application for license made in accordance with section 7, service licenses which are subject to approval of the Union Government shall be submitted to the Union Government for approval and services licenses not requiring Union Government approval shall be granted by the Ministry.
 - (b) If the application submitted under section 7 is a foreign applicant, it shall be submitted to the Union Government for approval and telecommunication services may be conducted only with the approval of the Union Government

- (c) If permission is granted to establish telecommunication services in accordance with sub section(a) and (b) the department shall be instructed to issue a license for a minimum term of five years to a maximum term of 20 years
 - (d) If the licensee applies for the International Gateway for international telecommunications connections, a separate license may be granted with the approval of the Union Government and in accordance with specific rules and regulations prescribed for such activities.
 - (e) Applications for the renewal of licenses shall be scrutinized by the department and submitted for approval.
9. Individuals, departments or business organizations which have received the permission to establish a telecommunications service in accordance with section 8 sub-section(c) shall be issued service licenses by the department together with detailed regulations for the respective services.
10. The Licensee may in accordance with the law, enter joint cooperation with local or foreign individuals, departments, and organizations
11. A license holder may enter into a contract with another license holder for the following purposes:-
- (a) Connecting and reciprocal communication among telecommunication service providers in accordance with provisions in Chapter 12.
 - (b) Sharing of network facility equipment.
 - (c) For other purposes as specifically prescribed in the service license
12. (a) The Licensee shall apply for renewal of a license to the department, before expiration in accordance with the prescribed conditions .
- (b) The Department after scrutinizing the application shall grant renewal of the license subject to the permission of the Ministry.

Chapter IV

Telecommunications equipment license

13. Any local or foreign individual person, department, organization desiring to keep in possession or to use any telecommunication equipment deemed by the Union Ministry as needing a telecommunications equipment license, shall apply to the Department for a telecommunications equipment license in accordance with the prescribed conditions set out for this purpose

However, the following do not require a telecommunications equipment license:-

- (a) where the telecommunications equipment is purchased and invested for use of the licensee.
 - (b) Possessing and utilizing telecommunications equipment received from a licensee.
14. The Department:-
- (a) may issue or refuse to issue the telecommunications equipment license after careful consideration of the application made in accordance with the provisions under section 13.
 - (b) shall set terms and condition of the Telecommunications Equipment license as well as license period upon issuing the license.

Chapter V

Responsibilities of Licensee

15. The licensee shall:
- (a) abide by this law and rules, procedures, notifications, orders and directives made thereunder;
 - (b) comply with the conditions of the license;
 - (c) pay license fees, renewal fees, usage fees and services fees as well as other fees which may incur due to technologic reasons or time in accordance with the specified conditions;

- (d) abide by the relevant codes of practices, standard of performance and guidelines of the Ministry and Department;
 - (e) indemnify the State against any breaches or failures on the part of the licensee.
16. The licensee shall:
- (a) comply with a radio frequency spectrum plan approved under this law;
 - (b) submit to the Ministry for permission and license in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 3 of this Law, if he desires to expand his business to include telecommunications services for which he has not yet been awarded [a] license or to enter into joint-venture or consortium with any other licensee or licensees.
 - (c) follow the instructions of the Department to make adjustment or modification of the licensee's network or to suspend the licensee's service in response to a result of an investigation or that of a complaint that the licensee's system is causing interference to another telecommunications service or services.
17. The licensee shall keep the information transmitted or received through his telecommunications service confidential and shall not disclose the confidential information of each user to any unauthorized or irrelevant person except for matters allowed by the existing laws.
18. The licensee shall:-
- (a) keep and use the telecommunications equipment only at the place allocated by the license;
 - (b) keep and carry out not the adversely affect the security of the State through the telecommunication equipment permitted to him under the license;
 - (c) comply with the directives of the Department in respect of its equipment.

Chapter VI

Frequency Spectrum Management and Satellite Orbital Position Management

19. The Ministry shall control and manage the frequency spectrum and satellite orbital position allocated to the Republic of the Union of Myanmar in accordance with any international telecommunications convention.
20. The Department may allow individuals, departments and organizations to use the nationwide appropriate frequency spectrum.

Chapter VII

Telecommunications Numbering Plan and Addressing Plan

21. The Department shall direct the licensee to comply with and use the telecommunications numbering plan and addressing plan approved by the Ministry.
22. The Department may allow a licensee the use of electronic numbers and electronic addresses for use in telecommunications services with necessary conditions for such usage.
23. The Department shall carry out inspection and management activities to ensure that a licensee uses the telecommunications number and electronic address in accordance with section 22.

Chapter VIII

Technical Standards

24. The Department shall determine, subject to approval of the Ministry, technical standards which shall apply to each facility and/or service under this Law, and make it available to the general public.
25. The Department shall supervise the licensee to abide by the technological norms and standards stipulated under Section 26.
26. The Department shall determine the norms and standards of network facilities and telecommunications equipment which require authorization before importing or exporting of such facilities and/or equipment.

27. Any person desiring to manufacture, sell or distribute any telecommunications equipment in the Republic of the Union of Myanmar must apply to the department for technical standard approval for the equipment which he or she desires to manufacture, sell or distribute in accordance with the procedures set out for this purpose.
28. The Department may issue or refuse to issue a certificate of technical standard approval after giving due regard to the application by the licensee. A licensee shall allow the inspection by the department for quality and standards.

Chapter IX Consumer Protection

29. (a) A licensee must submit a proposed tariff scheme of the charges for the service being provided or for any proposed service to the Department.

(b) The Department, after giving due regards to the proposed tariff lodged, shall approve the tariff rate scheme subject to the approval of the Ministry.
30. The licensee must:
 - (a) provide services in accordance with the tariff determined under section-29 sub section (b);
 - (b) the Department may after scrutinizing the a proposed change of tariff rate proposed under Sub-section (a), may with the approval of the Ministry approve the proposal
31. (a) Subject to the approval of the Ministry, the Department shall determine consumer protection standards which shall apply to the service licenses.

(b) The service licensee shall comply with the consumer protection standards as determined.

Chapter X Access and Interconnection

32. The Department shall prescribe necessary rules on network provider equipment and network service relating to access and interconnection.

33. A service licensee may, where requested by another service licensee, enter into agreement with the requesting licensee for the access to and interconnection of network facilities and network services. The agreement shall be made mutually agreed upon and approved by the Department.
34. The access and interconnection provided by the licensee:
 - (a) shall be on an equitable and non-discriminatory basis, shall not be of a lower technical standard and quality than the original technical standard.
 - (b) shall allow inspection by the Department for quality and standards.

Chapter XI

Prohibition on Anti-Competition Practices

35. A licensee shall not engage in any conduct which has cause to destroy the nature of free competition in the communications market.
36. A licensee shall not enter into any understanding, agreement, arrangement or contract with any person, department or organization for the following purposes –
 - (a) acting to alter the stipulated rates unilaterally .
 - (b) sharing the market for the purpose of reducing other competitors.
 - (c) taking measures to prevent buying from a specific supplier or vendor of telecommunications equipment.
 - (d) unfair competition against a competitor.
37. A licensee shall not restrict the user/customer of his service to only acquire telecommunication equipment and/or services from him or from any other specific person.
38. Should the licensee indulge in such prohibited actions as prescribed in Section 35,36 and 37, the Department may, subject to the approval of the Ministry, order a licensee to cease such conduct

Chapter 12
Inspection and supervision

39. The department shall:-
- (a) In implementing the provisions of this law, inspection and supervision shall be done in accordance with directions from the Ministry
 - (b) Inspection and supervision of licensed telecommunication service providers , network facility providers, telecommunication equipment providers
 - (c) To conduct inspections in accordance with sub section (b), an inspection group can be formed with suitable persons and inspection duty may be transferred to such inspection group
40. In implementing the provisions of this law –
- (a) the department shall:-
 - (1) questioning of needed persons, collecting needed information and evidence , and requesting the submission of documents and records
 - (2) inspection of building and equipment of the telecommunication service provider
 - (3) inspection, taking summaries and photo copying of lists, documents and records
 - (4) prescribe a format and method for the telecommunications service provider to maintain lists and records

Chapter XIII
Installation, Maintenance and Repair of Network Facilities

41. The licensee may, in coordination and agreement with the owner of the land plot and building or administrator of such land plot and building, fix a mutually agreeable duration to utilize such land or building and carry out the following installation work and connection work of the network facility equipment:-
- (a) For enabling to choose and decide whether or not the work – site is suitable or not, carrying out matters including but not limited to entering into the said site, inspecting, measuring, recording the lowness and highness, taking soil sample, digging holes, testing topsoil;

- (b) For enabling to carry out network service provider business and related business, placing, installing, connecting the necessary network aid devices above – ground and underground, above water or under water at the said site, and taking measure for the security of such installed devices;
 - (c) Entering and inspecting, keeping, repairing and maintenance of the network facilities.
42. The licensees should take measures to reach an agreement to continue the business activities under Section 41 of carrying out installation , connecting and using network devices on the said land plot and building , should there be any change of ownership of the land plot and building .
43. The licensees shall, in carrying out installation, maintenance, repairs, changing and removing the network facilities equipment, not cause disturbance or obstacle to the public – using road or traffic route or waterway or airway.
44. The licensees shall not , for prior study and scrutiny in order to install or remove the network facilities equipment, enter into any land area without prior notice to the owner.
45. The licensees shall, in installing network service equipment or conducting maintenance, carry out necessary precautionary measures to reduce damages.
46. If the licensees causes, in carrying out the installation of his network facilities equipment or conducting maintenance, injure or death to a certain person or loss to his property due to negligence or intentional failure or willful default, the person who has been injured or grieved shall be entitle to claim compensation from the licensee in accord with prescribed provisions.
47. The execution of any work by a licensee under this law which may affect any road street, railway, river, canal, other waterways or any irrigation system for agriculture, irrigation and water distribution system, communications, harbor works or any other public or private works the erecting of any network facilities on or under the ground shall be carried out in a lawful manner having regard to the safety of any person or property.

48. Where the Department considers that the quality of a network service within a completed or under- construction building or land, should be enhanced, the Department may give directions for such enhancement as follows:-
- (a) require the developer or owner of the building or land to coordinate with the relevant organizations to provide such space for the installation of network facilities within or on the building or land, within a suitable time frame .
 - (b) instruct any licensee to install network facilities within a specified period.
 - (c) instruct the licensee to contribute wholly or partly to such costs and expenses incurred in installing network facilities.
49. For the purpose of building and installing network facilities without incurring unnecessary expenses and for conservation of the environment, the department may administrate the coordination work with the licensee .

Chapter XIV Settlement of Disputes

50. Service Licensees may:
- (a) when the licensees are unable to resolve a dispute related to the operation and provision of telecommunications services or network facilities and/or services among themselves , refer the dispute to the Department.
 - (b) the licensees are unable to resolve the dispute related to access and interconnection, refer the dispute to the Department.
51. The Department shall mediate and resolve any dispute arising between and among licensees either upon the submission of the dispute to the department, under section 50, or if there is no such submission however if the department views that such dispute may harm the public interest.
52. (a) Under section 50, the person who is dissatisfied with the negotiation and resolution by the Department may: -

- (1) if the matter is related to the telecommunications technology, appeal to the Ministry within 30 days from the date of passing the said decision.
 - (2) if the matter is not related to the telecommunications technology, claim to obtain the relief and rights for his grievances at the relevant Court under the existing laws.
- (b) The Ministry, on appeal under Clause (1) of Subsection, may: -
- (1) make necessary investigations.
 - (2) confirm, amend or cancel the decision of the Department.
- (c) the person who is dissatisfied with the resolution of the Ministry may appeal to the Appeal Court within 45 days in accordance with the procedures.

Chapter XV

Providing the Basic Telecommunications Necessities Anywhere for Public Interest

53. The Ministry may, for enabling availability and wider use of telecommunications services in the Republic of the Union and Myanmar , instruct the Department to lay down programmes for extending the construction of basic telecommunications infrastructure and to extend telecommunication services in the underserved areas of the country.
54. The Ministry shall in the interest of the general public establish and supervise a Fund , for fulfilling the basic telecommunications requirements throughout the country , by implementing programmes for fulfilling the basic telecommunication needs through the fund.
55. The Department shall, making use of the Fund established under Section 54, supervise in implementing the programmes to supply the basic telecommunication requirements anywhere for the interest of the public.
56. The Department shall, for enabling to lay down the programmes contained in Section 55, carry out with the approval of the Ministry,

- (a) determining the underserved areas,
- (b) laying down a programme for fulfilling the basic telecommunications requirements anywhere for the public interest by laying down a Universal target.
- (c) stipulating the universal service obligations of the licensee to supply basic telecommunications requirements everywhere/anywhere in the interest of the general public.

Chapter XVI

Taking Administrative Action

57. The Department may take any of the following administrative actions to in respect of a licensee if the licensee infringes any of the license terms and conditions, fails to comply with the any duties included in chapter V, directives under section-38, resolution of the Department under section-51, the resolution of the Ministry under section 52 subsection (b):
- (a) warning;
 - (b) suspension of license for a certain period;
 - (c) termination of the license
58. (a) Any person dissatisfied with the administrative decision made by the Department under section 44 may appeal to the Ministry within 30 days after such decision is made.
- (b) With respect to the appeal made under sub-section (a), the Ministry may:
- i. make necessary enquiries, if required
 - ii. approve, revise or reject the decision of the Department

Chapter XVII

Formation of Appeal Tribunal, Conferring Duties, Hearing and Decision

59. The Union Government shall:_
- (a) form the Appeal Tribunal and confer the duties for the right of appeal again when the complainant submits in respect of administrative decisions laid down by the Ministry upon the dispute under this law.
 - (b) the Appeal Tribunal shall form not more than 9 members including chairman, and assign the duties.
60. The members of the Appeal Tribunal shall have the following qualifications:-
- (a) the Chairperson of the Appeal Tribunal shall have been acting as a Judge of the High court of the Region or State for a minimum of five years, or a person who has carried out function of judicial officer or law officer not lower than the Region or State Level for a minimum of 10 years,
 - (b) Members of the Appeal Tribunal who shall be well-known and skilled in communications technology, legal and economic.
61. (a) The Appeal Tribunal shall declare in advance the hearing date, and hear on the specific date.
- (b) may hear the argument of relevant in respect of complaint.
 - (c) shall arrange to laid down the final decision immediately.
 - (d) shall lay down the final decision of the Appeal Tribunal with the consent of majority of the members including chairman.
62. The decision of the Appeal Tribunal shall be final and conclusive.
63. The chairman and members of the Appeal Tribunal shall receive the cost and awards/ remunerations.
64. The term of the Appeal Tribunal shall only be from the commence date of formation to the submission date of final decision report.

Chapter XVIII

Offences and Penalties

65. Whoever commits the offence of providing telecommunications service business without a license shall, on conviction, be punished with imprisonment for a term of not exceeding five years, and shall be liable to a fine.
66. Whoever commits any of the following acts, on conviction be punished with imprisonment for a term extending to a maximum of three years, and shall be liable to fine or both:-
- (a) entering and disturbing, or altering or destroying stipulations of norms and standards or originate state without permission of the owner or administrator of the telecommunications networks;
 - (b) causing virus or by any other means with the aim to destroy to enter into the telecommunications network;
 - (c) using a telecommunication network to steal money and property , cheat and embezzle or harming the interests
 - (d) Using a telecommunication network to extort, threaten, obstruct, , defame, disturb, inappropriately influence or intimidate,
67. Whoever commits the offence of keeping in possession or making use of any telecommunications equipment prescribed to use only after obtaining license, without license, on conviction, be punished with imprisonment for a term extending to a maximum of one year, or shall be liable to fine or both.
68. Whoever commits any of the following offences, on conviction, be punished with imprisonment for a term extending to a maximum of one year, or shall be liable to fine or both ; -
- (a) connecting, receiving, transmitting, distributing or handing out false information dishonestly or participating in such activity;
 - (b) unauthorized prohibition , forbidding obstruction to the transmitting, receiving, communication, handing out or distribution of information;
 - (c) entering without permission into the telecommunications service provider area which is prohibited with the approval of the Department;

- (d) prohibiting, forbidding or disturbing the performance of duty by any person assigned by the licensee to perform his duty in any telecommunications service provider business.
69. Whoever reveals the telecommunication related information kept in a confidential system or in a secret system to a person not relevant to it with an exception of matter which are being litigated or matters to be revealed under the order of the Court on conviction shall be punished for a term extending to maximum of one year, or shall be liable to fine or both.
70. If any licensee utilizes keeps in possession, supplies or imports network facilities equipment, communications equipment these are not in line with the prescribed technological norms and standards shall, in conviction, be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to a maximum of one year, and shall be liable to fine or both.
71. Whoever prohibits or prevents, obstructs or disturbs the performance of duty as a public servant assigned by the Department or inspection team formed by the Department on conviction, shall be punished with imprisonment for a term extending to maximum of six months or shall be liable with fine or both.
72. Whoever commits any of the prohibitions contained in the rules, regulations, notifications, orders directives and procedures issued under this law shall on conviction, be punished with imprisonment for a term extending to a maximum of six months or shall be liable with fine or both.
73. Whoever attempts or conspires or abets to commit any offence contained in this law, on conviction, be punished with the punishment provided for that offence provided by this law.

Chapter XIX
Miscellaneous

74. The Ministry may, to enable the giving of advice on matters relating to technological norms and standards, administration of frequency range of spectrum, relevant to telecommunications sector in the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, matters relating to giving protection to the users, laying down strategy for the development of telecommunications sector inside the country, etc., by issuing notification with the

approval of the government, form the National Telecommunications Advisory Committee chaired by chairperson by the Minister or the person assigned by the Minister and comprising of representatives from information and telecommunications businesses, users, technical experts , representatives from the Department, as members. Functions and Duties of the Committee shall be separately prescribed. .

75. To obtain any information or communications that may adversely affect the security of the State, the rule of law and order, the Union Government may direct the relevant organizations as necessary without infringing upon the original rights of the citizens.
76. The Ministry or the department/organization assigned by it may, for defense and security matters of the State or for the public interest, if necessary, may enter into the premises of the licensed telecommunication services provider and inspect, supervise and request the licensee to submit records regarding the services.
77. The Ministry may, when the situation arises to carry out in the interest of the public, with the approval of the government, direct the licensee to suspend the telecommunications service provider business, prohibit a specific type of communication, to block and hold , to retrieve necessary information and communications, to temporarily control and use the telecommunications service provider businesses and telecommunications equipment.
78. The licensee shall, for the matters prescribed in Section 77, make necessary preparations to enable a telecommunication service to be utilized for security matters in accordance with the law.
79. If an exhibits relating to any legal proceedings instituted under this law is not easily producible before the Court, such exhibit need not be produced before the Court. However, a report or other relevant documentary evidence as to the manner of custody of the same may be submitted. Such submission shall be deemed as if it were a submission of the exhibit before the Court and the relevant Court may dispose of the same in accord with law.
80. (a) The offences contained in this law are prescribed to be cognizable offences.

- (b) In instituting an offence under this law, the prior sanction of the Ministry shall be obtained.
81. The Ministry shall stipulate the fees and overdue charges for license, license renewal fee, fees for frequency band use, stipulation of telecommunications number, and stipulation of electronic mailing address.
82. The Ministry may, for the benefit of the people, give exemption to the government department, any organization or any person, with the approval of the Union Government, from obtaining any permission, license and recommendation required under this law, and if necessary exemption from paying charges and fees with approval from the Union Government. In matters of State emergency, national defence and security, natural disasters, the Ministry may carry out such acts without the prior approval of the Union Government, however such performances shall be submitted to the Union Government
83. The Department shall, with respect to telecommunications, stipulate, with the approval of the Ministry, the terms and conditions, code of conduct of the business and the required norms and standards.
84. The Department may;-
- (a) in implementing the provisions contained in international telecommunications conventions ratified by the State, with respect to telecommunications service provider business, liaise with international telecommunications organizations and regional organizations in accord with the directives of the Ministry.
- (b) in accord with the international telecommunications conventions, hold telecommunications technology and competency examinations, and issue competency certificates thereof.
85. According to the Myanmar Telegraph Act, 1885 and the Myanmar Wireless Telegraphy Act, 1934:-
- (a) any license issued under the laws repealed with this law, shall be presumed to have been issued under this law, and that shall be valid up to the date of expiry of that license. If desirous of continuing the said license, a license

shall be applied and obtained before expiry of the term of the license in accordance with this law.

- (b) The rules, notifications, orders and directives issued under the Myanmar Wireless Telegraph Act, 1885 and the Myanmar Wireless Telegraphy Act, 1834 repealed under this law may continue to be applicable insofar as they are not inconsistent with this law.
86. The Union Government shall form the Myanmar Independent Communication Commission within two years from the enforcement date of this law, led by the Union-level person who is suitable to perform the responsibilities included in this law related to the communication service business.
87. The Ministry may, when required to define a technical term with respect to telecommunications under this law, illustrate by issuing a notification
88. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this law:-
- (a) The Ministry may, with the approval of the Union Government, issue necessary rules, regulations and by-laws.
 - (b) The Ministry may issue notification, orders, directives and procedures as may be necessary and the Department may issue orders and directives as may be necessary.
89. The following laws are hereby repealed:-
- (a) The Myanmar Telegraph Act, 1885.
 - (b) The Myanmar Wireless Telegraph Act, 1934.