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**ByCell was refused Lol on the basis of forged complaint**

On January 10, 2008 DOT issued LOIs to a number of applicants. However no LOI has been issued to ByCell. According to the DoT letter sent to ByCell today, its applications dated January 31, 2006 for five circles, i.e., Assam, Orissa, Bihar, North East and West Bengal telecom circles has not been considered due to pending security clearance.

ByCell strongly believes that this has been due to false complaint related to security issue filed on behalf of one of the prominent MP to the PMO on October 2007. Later MP has clarified that the earlier letter was a forged document and he had no complaints against ByCell (attached is the letter by the MP declaring the same).

It should be noted that in January 2006, ByCell received FIPB approval for investments in these five circles. In fact ByCell has been applicant no. 1 in the seniority of the DoT, under its first come first serve policy.

**About ByCell Telecommunications India (Pvt) Ltd**

A newly formed GSM mobile operator to offer service in five circles of West Bengal, Orissa, Assam, Bihar and North East. With a targeted customer base of 10 crore within next 3 years, ByCell to focus on rural and semi-rural areas with advanced voice and data services, including provision of value-added services, data transfer through GPRS and EDGE technology.

ByCell Telecommunications India (Pvt) Ltd has been incorporated as a Joint Venture between ByCell Holding AG, Switzerland and Bit Corp Pvt. Ltd. ByCell Holding AG holds 74% stake in the JV while the balance 26% vests with Bit Corp India. The company's HQ is in New Delhi and regional head office will be in Calcutta.

More about ByCell Telecommunications India (Pvt) Ltd at: <http://www.bycell.in>

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