



PAKISTAN TELECOMMUNICATION AUTHORITY  
HEADQUARTERS, F-5/1, ISLAMABAD

**Enforcement Order under section 23 of the Pakistan Telecommunication  
(Re-organization) Act, 1996 against Trans Digital (Private) Limited**

No. PTA/Finance/CVAS-Data/Defaulter / 1370/2013/126

Date of Show Cause Notice: 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2023  
Venue of Hearing: PTA HQs, Islamabad  
Date of Hearing: 7<sup>th</sup> May, 2024

**Issue:**

“Non- Submission of Annual Audited Accounts (AAAs) and non-payment of Annual License Fee (ALF) for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2022”

**EX-PARTE ORDER THE OFFICERS OF THE AUTHORITY**

1. Precisely stated facts of the case are that Trans Digital (Private) Limited (the “**licensee**”) was awarded a non-exclusive license No. DIR (L)/CVAS-812/PTA/2016 dated 21<sup>st</sup> November, 2016 (the “**license**”) by Pakistan Telecommunication Authority (the “**Authority**”), to establish, maintain and operate Data Class Value Added Services in licensed region, subject to the terms and conditions contained in the license.
2. The licensee is required to comply with the prevailing regulatory laws comprising the Pakistan Telecommunication (Re-organization) Act, 1996 (the “**Act**”), the Pakistan Telecommunication Rules, 2000, (the “**Rules**”) the Pakistan Telecommunication Authority (Functions & Powers) Regulations, 2006 (the “**Regulations**”), Class Licensing and Registration Regulations, 2007 (the “**CL Regulations**”), and the terms and conditions of the license. As per license condition No. 3 read with sub-regulation (1) of regulation 11 of the CL Regulations and sub-regulations (6) and (7) of regulation 23 of the Regulations, it is obligatory for the licensee to submit Annual Audited Accounts (AAAs) and pay Annual License Fee (ALF) within 120 days of the close of financial year.
3. The licensee vide letters dated 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2022, 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2022, 7<sup>th</sup> April, 2023 and emails dated 30<sup>th</sup> May, 2023 & 13<sup>th</sup> September, 2023 was required to submit AAAs for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 along with the payment of ALF for the aforesaid year including applicable late payment additional fee, however, the licensee did not pay any heed to comply with the same.

4. Due to failure on the part of the licensee in submission of AAAs and making payment of ALF for the aforesaid year including applicable late payment additional fee till date of final payment, a Show Cause Notice (SCN) dated 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2023 under section 23 of the Act was issued wherein it was required to remedy the aforementioned contraventions by submitting AAAs and making payment of ALF for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 including Late Payment Additional Fee for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 within seven (07) days of the issuance of the SCN and also to explain in writing, within thirty (30) days of the issuance of the SCN as to why an enforcement order should not be passed under section 23 of the Act.

5. Before passing an enforcement order under sub-section (3) of Section 23 of the Act, the matter was fixed for hearing on 7<sup>th</sup> May, 2024. It is pertinent to mention here that the SCN and Hearing Notice (HN) were issued on the address as provided and maintained by the licensee with PTA. However, perusal of the delivery record reveals that the SCN and HN sent to the available address have been received back undelivered. Since the licensee neither replied to the SCN nor attended the hearing, hence, the Hearing Panel left with no option except to proceed *ex-parte* against the licensee as per available record.

6. After the examination of the available record, it is concluded that the licensee did not comply with the aforesaid applicable regulatory provisions.

7. **ORDER:**

7.1 Keeping in view the above-mentioned facts coupled with the available record, the Officers of the Authority hereby decide as under:

- a) The license is hereby suspended for a period of one month or till the licensee submits AAAs for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 along with payment of ALF for the aforesaid year including late payment additional fee till the date of final payment to the Authority, whichever is earlier;
- b) In case of non-compliance of Para 7.1 (a) above, license No. DIR (L) / CVAS-812 / PTA / 2016 dated 21<sup>st</sup> November 2016 of the licensee shall stand terminated upon expiration of one month after the date of issuance of this order without any further notice;

12<sup>th</sup> November, 2024

- c) All LDI, LL, TIP and Mobile licensees are directed to suspend immediately all telecommunication facilities extended to the licensee pursuant to the license till further orders of the Authority.

**Erum Latif**

Director General (Law & Regulations)

**Abdul Batin Khan**

Director General (Licensing)

**Ubaid Tayyab**

Director (Finance)

**Muhammad Shafique**

Director (Enforcement)

Signed on 12<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2024 and comprises of (03) pages only.