

**Ministry of Communications & IT
Department Of Telecommunications
Universal Services Obligation Fund
Room No. 405, Sanchar Bhawan, 20 Ashoka Road
New Delhi – 110001**

Eol NOTICE NO. F. No. 30-160-8/Wireline BB/2006-USF Dated: 02.02.2009

**Invitation of Expression of Interest (Eol) from
Telecom Service Providers with valid license from DoT for BSO/UASL
for provision of Wire-line Broadband Connectivity in Rural & Remote Areas on build,
operate and own (BOO) model**

Universal Service Obligation Fund (USOF) has undertaken a scheme for extending financial support for provision of Wire-line Broadband Connectivity in Rural & Remote Areas of the country on build, operate and own (BOO) model. The support for the scheme has been structured for providing 512 kbps Wire-line Broadband Connectivity from existing Rural & Remote Exchanges.

On behalf of the President of India, Administrator, USO Fund, invites "Expression of Interest" (Eol) from Telecom Service Providers (TSPs), with valid license from DoT for BSO/UASL. The prospective applicants may submit the details in the [format](#), as available on the Department of Telecommunications website www.dot.gov.in (under 'What's New'), and Schematic diagram(s) & details of their Core/Transport/Access Broadband Network, along with the Eol. No charges shall be payable by the applicants towards the cost of the Eol. The applicants are not required to submit any earnest money while submitting the Eol.

The applicant shall have outdoor copper cable network from their existing serving exchange in the rural and remote areas with back-haul & backbone connectivity on OFC. The Eols are to be submitted Service Area-wise, as defined by DoT.

From the Eols received, Administrator USO Fund would shortlist TSPs which would be entitled to participate in the scheme as described above. The Administrator, USO Fund reserves the right to accept or reject any or all applications without assigning any reason thereof.

The last date for submission of EOI is **28.02.2009** by **1600 Hrs.**

Deputy Director General (BB), USOF