

Welcome Speech

Research Studies in the field of Telecommunications

Deans/ Heads of Departments and Units/ Senior Professors, Senior Lecturers and other staff from Universities and Research Institutions,
Representatives of the fixed and mobile operators,
Directors and staff of TRC,

On behalf of the Telecommunications Regulatory Commission I am very happy to welcome the distinguished research teams from Universities and Research Institutions present here today at this final presentations signifying the successful completion of the research projects undertaken.

One of the duties of this Commission as set out in the Sri Lanka Telecommunications Act No 25 of 1991 as amended is “ to promote, in co-operation with the operators or otherwise, research and development in telecommunication at universities and research institutes in Sri Lanka”.

The objectives of this program are to :

- Improve research studies in the telecommunications sector
- Encourage University staff and students to conduct research in the field of telecommunications,
- Use research findings to effect improvements in the sector.

We have invited representatives of the fixed and mobile operators for this seminar and we hope the presentations by the Universities and research institutions will be useful in improving their telecommunication services.

This was a pilot project and I am glad to say it has been a success as we are satisfied with the results. I am happy too inform you that we have been able to increase the Research

grant upto Rs 100,000/= this year per project and I think this will encourage more research projects this year.

I wish all success in your presentations and hope your efforts will contribute to create an improvement in the telecommunications sector.

Thank You.