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Name of Centre Bareilly Local Centre

Title of Activity: World Telecommunication and Information Society Day 2023

17 May 2023

Theme 'Empowering the Least Developed Countries through Information and

**Communication Technologies'** 

Date: 17<sup>th</sup> May 2023 Venue: **Engineers' Bhawan** 

of IEI, Bareilly Local Centre, Bareilly



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## Brief Details about the Programme:

A Report on the celebration of "World Telecommunication and Information Society Day (WTISD)" on 17th May, 2023 at Engineers' Bhawan, Bareilly

World Telecommunication and Information Society Day Scheduled on 17<sup>th</sup> May 2023 was celebrated as Seminar on the topic of 'Empowering the Least Developed Countries through Information and Communication Technologies'.

The proceeding of WTISD was conducted by Er. Pradeep Madhwar, MIE, Honorary Secretary, Bareilly Local Centre, Bareilly.

It was started with the Welcome Address by Er. Raj Goel, Chairman IEI, Bareilly Local Centre.

Er. K. B. Agrawal, FIE, Founder Chairman, IEI, Bareilly Local Centre introduced the theme as received from Head Quarter.

Speaking on the subject the Chairman Er. Raj Goel, FIE suggested that World Telecommunication and Information Society Day (WTISD) focuses this year on "Empowering the least developed countries through information and communication technologies." Taking place on 17 May 2023, on the Day ITU calls on the public and private sectors to make pledges for universal connectivity and digital transformation in these countries through its Partner2Connect Digital Coalition. Mid-way through the agenda to fulfil the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by 2030, those countries face daunting challenges.

## **Details of the Sessions:**

A galaxy of speakers was present to express their views during the Seminar organized on 17<sup>th</sup> May, 2023 at 'Engineer' Bhawan' as listed below:

**Er. Pradeep Madhwar, MIE, Honorary Secretary**, IEI, Bareilly who expressed that the theme 'Empowering the Least Developed Countries through Information and Communication

Technologies'. A telecommunications Association in India joins the global celebration of World Telecommunication and Information Society Day 2023, highlighting the significant role of telecommunication technology in bridging the digital divide and connecting communities across the Nation.

TEMA & CMAI compliments the Govt. on India being the 2nd largest telecommunications market and in terms of internet subscribers. With the new policies of PLI, incentives for R&D and design, becoming the 3rd country in the World to manufacture 4G and 5G and a ready map for 6G, India will become the Global supplier of telecom equipment by 2030. The rapidly growing number of mobile phone users and the technological shift towards 5G is expected to fuel the market growth for the telecom equipment manufacturers and service providers.

**Er. K.B. Agrawal, founder Chairman, IEI, BLC, Bareilly** who expressed that Promoting Digital Literacy: We are launching a nationwide digital literacy campaign, targeting both urban and rural areas, to promote digital skills and ensure that every citizen can fully participate in the digital world. This initiative will include workshops, training programs, and awareness campaigns to bridge the digital divide and empower individuals with the necessary knowledge to leverage digital technologies effectively.

**Er. Sudhir Gupta, FIE, IP Chairman, IEI, BLC** who expressed that The impact of connectivity for youth is profound and far-ranging. The Internet enables access to online services and to new forms of entertainment, expression, collaboration, and communication, as well as opportunities to engage in the digital economy and attain remote jobs that negate geographic barriers. These are major benefits for digitally native generations, who value flexible, autonomous, and impact-driven work. While connectivity offers great opportunities, it also poses potential risks and harms for those who lack the necessary digital literacy and skills to navigate the Internet safely. Further, from an inequality standpoint, the greater the degree to which societies become connected, the more a lack of connection presents a problem.

Er. Pradeep Madhwar, MIE, Honorary Secretary, IEI, Bareilly gave Vote of thanks to all speakers and all participants, for sparing their valuable time and making the World Telecommunication and Information Society Day 2023 a grand success.

Er. Pradeep Madhwar, FIE Honorary Secretary

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