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# ITI Limited to Spearhead Digital India's Security with Indigenous Operating System - *BharOS*

**Bengaluru**: **ITI Limited**, country's first PSU post-independence and premier telecom manufacturing company proudly announces the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with **JandK Operations Private Limited** for manufacturing and providing of *BharOS*-enabled digital devices and services.

This collaboration aims to manufacture and provide *BharOS*-enabled digital devices, including mobiles, routers, tablets, and more, to enhance the digital security infrastructure of Digital India.

*BharOS*, acclaimed for its reliability and security, offers users a trustworthy environment, ensuring the integrity of their digital interactions. With this partnership, ITI Limited reaffirms its commitment to advancing India's digital landscape while prioritizing data security and user privacy.

Commenting on the partnership, **Mr. Rajesh Rai, Chairman and Managing Director**, ITI Limited, said, "Our collaboration with *BharOS* marks a significant milestone in our mission to bolster Digital India's security infrastructure. By integrating *BharOS's* advanced security features into a diverse range of digital devices, including mobiles, routers, tablets, and more, we aim to provide cutting-edge technology solutions that prioritize user privacy and data protection."

Echoing this sentiment, **Mr. Karthik Ayyar, CEO, JandK Operations Private Limited**, added, "We are thrilled to partner with ITI Limited to drive innovation and security in the digital domain. ***BharOS's*** indigenous technology, coupled with ITI Limited's manufacturing prowess, will pave the way for a safer and more resilient digital ecosystem in India."

Digital initiatives of national importance such as BharatNet, Digital Census, Defence, Central Police forces, can now be protected by ***BharOS***.

With a shared vision of fostering digital inclusivity and security, ITI Limited with ***BharOS*** is committed to fulfilling the vision of our honorable Prime Minister towards *Atmanirbhar Bharat*.

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**About ITI Limited**

ITI Limited, country's premier telecom company and multi-unit central public sector undertaking, is a total solutions provider in telecommunications segment. The company has state-of-art manufacturing facilities in six locations (Bengaluru, Naini, Raebareli, Mankapur, Srinagar and Palakkad) along with an in-house R&D centre in Bengaluru and marketing, sales & projects (MSP) offices spread across the country.

The company offers complete range of telecom products covering the whole spectrum of switching, transmission, and access & subscriber premises equipment. Besides offering the latest telecom solutions and customized support to a variety of business, ITI Ltd has dedicated Network System Unit (NSU) for carrying out installation and commissioning of equipment and for undertaking turnkey projects. ITI Ltd is focused on manufacturing of diversified products in defense and railway sectors and the manufacturing of solar equipment, NGN products, GPON, LED lighting systems, optical products, along with other allied products like HDPE, OFC, , smart cards, encryptors for defense , Wi-Fi etc. The company is also consolidating more of its diversifications into defense, IOT, E-governance, IT projects and services sector to gain competitive edge. The company is also successfully running state-of-art Data Centre at Bengaluru unit and offering its services to government institutions/departments, banks etc. To know more, please visit www.itiltd.in

**About BharOS**

BharOS is an Indian government-funded project to develop a free and open-source operating system (OS). The project aims to reduce the dependence on foreign OS in smartphones and promote the use of locally developed technology. BharOS comes with No Default Apps (NDA). This means that there are no default apps.Users can download the apps they want to use. The idea is to allow users to have more control over the permissions that apps have on their device, as they can choose to only download apps that they trust to access certain features or data on their devices. The OS provides access to trusted apps from organisation-specific Private App Store Services (PASS). A PASS provides access to a curated list of apps that is said to be thoroughly vetted and meet certain security and privacy standards. To know more, please visit https://jandkops.in/