Vi Ramps Up GIGAnet 4G Network Capacity In Chhattisgarh

- Completes migration of 3G spectrum to 4G in Raipur, commences spectrum migration in Durg-Bhilai to reinforce existing 4G capacity
- Additional 5 MHz of 2100 MHz band spectrum being deployed to increase the total 4G bandwidth
- Vi Customers in Chhattisgarh will enjoy a significantly enhanced 4G Network
- Ookla® findings verify GIGAnet from Vi has the fastest 4G network in the state
- Offering doorstep delivery of 4G SIM to help customers upgrade

Raipur, March 8, 2021: **Vi** has completed the process of refarming of 3G spectrum to 4G in Raipur and commenced the exercise in Durg-Bhilai in Chhattisgarh, which will substantially enhance **GIGAnet 4G** capacity in these cities. This development, coming on the heels of the deployment of 5 MHz of 2100 MHz spectrum band in these cities, means that **Vi** customers in Raipur, Durg-Bhilai will get to enjoy higher download and upload speeds apart from better indoor coverage. The existing 4G infrastructure is being ramped up with the migration of 3G spectrum to 4G, giving **Vi GIGAnet 4G** the triple advantages of wider coverage, network quality as well as stronger traffic carriage capacity in Raipur, Durg-Bhilai in Chhattisgarh.

Ookla, the global leader in broadband testing and web-based network diagnostic applications, has verified **GIGAnet** from **Vi** as the fastest 4G network in India, including Chhattisgarh. **Vi** customers can enjoy the fastest 4G experience when they use a 4G SIM in a 4G handset. **Vi** 3G customers can upgrade to a 4G SIM, free of cost and start experiencing the full potential of **Vi GIGAnet**. **Vi** 3G customers in Raipur, Durg-Bhilai, have the choice of upgrading from the safety of their home, by availing free doorstep delivery of 4G SIM.

The past year has brought about massive changes in consumer behavior. While data demand has grown manifold, telecom networks have become the mandatory layer to exist in a digital society. This has drawn focus on the criticality of 24x7 high speed mobile network connectivity across both- commercial as well as residential areas. The latest 3G to 4G spectrum refarming exercise will give **Vi** the edge of optimum availability and utilization of spectrum to serve the needs of tech savvy individual customers as well as Enterprises in Chhattisgarh.

Kavita Nadkarni, Cluster Head- Madhya Pradesh & Chhattisgarh, Vodafone Idea said "The network augmentation initiative is our endeavour to offer our customers an enhanced 4G experience to complement the surge in data demand. Supplementing the existing 4G infrastructure with the expansion on 2100 MHz layer has brought about enhanced data speeds, besides a better indoor network experience for **Vi** customers in Raipur.

We have completed the 3G to 4G refarming exercise in Raipur and the exercise has commenced in Durg-Bhilai. Efforts are on to cover the rest of Chhattisgarh at an early date".

Vodafone Idea will continue to offer 2G services in Chhattisgarh.

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The company offers products and services to its customers in India under the TM Brand name "Vi".
Ookla® - the global leader in broadband testing and web-based network diagnostic applications, has verified Vi, based on analysis of Speedtest Intelligence® data as the fastest 4G network pan-India in Oct to Dec '20.

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