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**DETAIL OF THE WORK ITEM ON “RATIONALIZATION OF TAX
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Rationalization of the Tax Structures in Telecom sector

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Why this question important for SATRC?

Development of Telecommunications/ICTs/Broadband and socio-economic development of a country are strongly correlated

Taxation Structure has direct correlation with Telecommunications/ICTs/Broadband sector development

What are the important considerations?

What are the telecom-specific taxation laws and policies currently underway in your country?

What has been the contribution of telecom sector to Government taxes over the last few years?

What is the contribution of this sector to taxes as compared to its contribution to the GDP?

How is the tax contribution of your country's telecom sector compared with tax contribution of telecom sector in other regional economies?

How can the revenue collection from telecom sector be enhanced?

What improvements can be made in the taxation laws and policies regarding the telecom sector?

Telecom sector's Impact on Economy: Contribution to GDP

Investment

What is the trend of telecom's contribution to growth and investment in the economy for the past few years?

What role has the telecom sector played in employment generation?

What has been the impact of boom in telecom sector on the cost of doing business in your country?

How has telecom sector enhanced the efficiency and productivity of the economy?

Problems and Issues

What are the most glaring issues and problems faced by the telecom sector in the current economic situation?

What are the industry's woes and concerns regarding the taxation laws in the country and the telecom-specific policies of Government particularly FBR?

How the sector wants to be governed in terms of taxation?

Consumers' Perspective:

1. Do you think that Telecommunication is taxed heavily?

2. Does the tax on Telecom increase your daily expenses?

3. Do you believe only the federal government should tax the Telecom sector?

4. Do you think heavy tax increases the cost of doing business?

5. Is the government justified in taxing the Telecom at current rates?