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CLARIFICATION REGARDING SCOPE OF Wi-Fi CPE ITSAR

Some OEMs had sought clarification "Whether Wi-Fi Access Point (AP) falls under the scope of Wi-Fi CPE ITSAR". The same has been examined by soliciting inputs from various sources. In this regard the following clarification is issued:
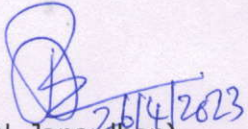
Attention is drawn to the clause 4.4 of "Procedure for security certification of Telecommunication Equipment (Doc. No.: NCCS/SC/01/30032020)" which states that

"Only complete-in-itself, standalone, independent equipment are tested and certified under the scheme. Equipment modules/ components are not covered by the scheme. Further, combinations of independent equipment made to form systems are not certified under this scheme; instead, each independent equipment would need separate certification." Modules/components include both hardware and software.

Any Wi-Fi product having capability of static or dynamic routing or NATing functionality or any packet filtering functionality irrespective of product name assigned by OEM or the deployment scenario is covered under the scope of Wi-Fi CPE ITSAR.

Hence, Wi-Fi Access Point (AP) with any of the above functionalities falls under the category of Wi-Fi CPE.

OEMs are expected to offer those products/equipment for certification which are under the scope of relevant ITSAR.

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