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Telecom Commission of India has recently approved the net neutrality rules under new telecom policy. Discuss the implications and concerns associated with it.

On observance of Net Neutrality rules approved by the telecom sector it can be understood that allowing all traffic equally, the government is disincentivising the Internet Service provider to create new infrastructure and innovate.

The policy has kept "Special Service" out of its purview but the term "Special Service" is not listed under it, which gives a loop hole for the service provider to define his Special Service.

Internet Service provider who is also a broadcaster and content provider gives data free and enable their content to access only on their network. It will also reduce the subsidised service from the private sector. For example Amazon providing preferential access to its app on mobile phones of user to further the profit. But with net neutrality it is not possible.

Through, Net neutrality have more positivity like accessibility, equality and

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others, etc., it impede the growth of the
Sector

Even though, the Net Neutrality rules
has their effect on the private sector
the free and fair treatment to all, equal
level playing field for new firms, and fair
competition blurs the Negative outcomes
of the rules.

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