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No. Adum/368/2517/17077

From

Principal Secretary to Government Haryana, Information Technology, Electronics and Communication Deptt.

То

- 1. The Additional Chief Secretary to the Government of Haryana, Revenue and Disaster Management Department.
- 2. The Additional Chief Secretary to the Government of Haryana, Development and Panchayat Department, Haryana.
- 3. The Principal Secretary to the Government of Haryana, Urban Local Bodies Department.
- 4. The Principal Secretary to the Government of Haryana, Industries and Commerce Department, Haryana.
- 5. The Director General, Industries Department, Haryana.
- 6. The Director General, Development and Panchayat Department, Haryana.
- All the Deputy Commissioners of the State of Haryana Chandigarh dated, the 21.02.2022

Subject: Meeting through video Conferencing regarding telecom towers and OFC cable permissions- Minutes of the meeting thereof.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to address you on the subject cited above and to enclose a copy of minutes of the meeting held on 02.02.2022 at 3.30 PM under the Chairmanship of Chief Secretary, Haryana for information and necessary action.

Director(Administration) for Principal Secretary to Government Haryana, Information Technology, Electronics and Communication Deptt.

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A copy, alongwith its enclosure, is forwarded to Dr. Mahesh Shukla, Government of India, Ministry of Communication, Department of Telecommunication, third floor, BSNL Exchange Building, Sector 20, Panchkula, Haryana-1341 17 for information and necessary action.

Chandigarh dated, the 21.02.2022

Director(Administration) for Principal Secretary to Government Haryana, Information Technology, Electronics and Communication Deptt.

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Chandigarh dated, the 21.02.2022

A copy, alongwith its enclosure, is forwarded to the following for information and necessary action:-

- 1. PS to CS- for kind information of Chief Secretary, Haryana.
- 2. PS to PSIT for kind information of Principal Secretary, IT.

3. PS to SSIT- for kind information of Special Secretary, IT.

Director(Administration) for Principal Secretary to Government Haryana, Information Technology, Electronics and Communication Deptt.

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<u>Minutes of Meeting held on 02-02-2022 at 03:30 PM through Video</u> <u>Conferencing under the chairmanship of the Chief Secretary regarding</u> <u>permissions to lay Telecom Towers and OFC Cable.</u>

- 1. List of officers who attended the meeting is placed at Annexure.
- 2. The Principal Secretary, Department of Information Technology, Electronics and Communication, Haryana (DITECH) apprised the officers present about the Brief Points for discussion during the meeting.
- 3. It was also apprised that there is a huge pendency of Applications received for Communication and Connectivity Permissions in almost every district of the state. As on 01-02-2022, 2521 Applications (earlier 3169 applications) are still pending on the HEPC Invest Haryana Portal. Out of which, 2003 Applications have overshot the timeline of 45 days
- 4. Chief Secretary reviewed the pendency of applications in each district and desired that processing of these applications must be expedited by the District Administration.
- 5. DCs and their representatives informed that in most cases, the pendency of Applications is at the end of its Applicant / Telecom Service Provider where they have not submitted the requisite supporting documents or in some cases the prescribed Right of Way/ Right of Use Charges have not been paid.
- 6. Chief Secretary desired that every district should issue written instructions to the Telecom Services Providers concerned giving them one week's time for submission of the requisite supporting documents and payment of the prescribed charges; thereafter all the pending applications shall be disposed of as per the provisions under the latest Communication & Connectivity Infrastructure Policy, 2017.
- 7. Chief Secretary emphasised that every Deputy Commissioner should convene weekly meetings with the stakeholder Departments to review the latest status of Pending Applications in their respective district and should also ensure to clear all the pending cases within the next 15 Days.

(Action By: All the Deputy Commissioners in the State)

8. District Administration may also take support through email from Senior Deputy Director General, Department of Telecommunications (DoT), Haryana - Licensed Service Area (LSA), in case there are any pending issues with the Telecom Service Providers. A representative of the Department of Telecommunications (DoT) will also attend the meetings convened in the respective Districts.

(Action By: Department of Telecommunications (DoT), Haryana - Licensed Service Area (LSA))

- 9. Deputy Commissioner, Gurugram highlighted that one of the major reasons for the high pendency of applications is the issue of territorial jurisdiction among local departments, on which the Infrastructure is being proposed /deployed by the Telecom Service Providers. As such, many applications have been pending in the district.
- 10. Chief Secretary desired that DC, Gurugram should convene a meeting at the level of the Chief Executive Officer, Gurugram Metropolitan Development Authority for resolving all such jurisdictional issues and shall ensure to dispose of all the pending applications within the next 15 Days.

(Action By: CEO, GMDA and Deputy Commissioner, Gurugram)

- 11. Detailed discussions were held regarding the Annual Right of Way/ Right to Use charges being levied on Telecom Service Providers when they use private lands/ buildings.
- 12. Dr. Mahesh Shukla, Senior Deputy Director General, Department of Telecommunications apprised that the Indian Telegraph (Right of Way) Rules, 2016 has defined one-time administrative charges and restoration charges for Right of Way/ Right to Use permissions very clearly. However, nothing specific has been mentioned in these rules about Annual Charges for these permissions.
- 13. Principal Secretary, Urban Local Bodies Department apprised that the Municipal Corporations/ Committees/ Councils are levying the Annual Charges for Right of Way/ Right of Use permissions in accordance with the Haryana Municipal (Communication and Connectivity Infrastructure) Amendment Bye-laws, 2019 which have been synchronised with the 'Schedule of Charges' prescribed under the latest Communication & Connectivity Infrastructure Policy 2017.

- 14. After due deliberations, it was decided that the State Government entities/ local bodies may continue with the existing Annual Charges prescribed for private land/ building under the latest Communication and Connectivity Infrastructure Policy 2017.
- 15. Principal Secretary, IT mentioned that it has been noticed that Municipal Corporations/ Committees/ Councils are asking for the submission of requisite supporting documents for Overground & Underground Infrastructure Permissions in accordance with the Haryana Municipal Corporation (Communication and Connectivity Infrastructure) Bye-laws, 2013, which have many additional supporting documents in comparison to the supporting documents specifically notified under Communication & Connectivity Infrastructure Policy 2017.
- 16. Chief Secretary desired that Urban Local Bodies Department may completely synchronise their Haryana Municipal (Communication and Connectivity Infrastructure) Amendment Bye-laws 2019 in line with the latest Communication & Connectivity Infrastructure Policy 2017 (as notified by the State Government in view of the Indian Telegraph Right of Way Rules, 2016) and shall ensure that all the supporting documents should be minimal to meet the objectives of ease of doing business.

(Action By: Urban Local Bodies Department)

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to all the participants.

Annexure

List of officers who attended the meeting held on 02-02-2022 under the chairmanship of the Chief Secretary regarding permissions to lay Telecom Towers and OFC Cable.

- 1. From Government of Haryana
- i) Sh. Sanjeev Kaushal, IAS, Chief Secretary, Haryana...In Chair
- ii) Sh. Pranab Kishore Das, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary and Financial Commissioner, Revenue & Disaster Management Planning Department
- iii) Sh. Anil Malik, IAS, Principal Secretary, Information Technology, Electronics and Communication Department
- iv) Sh. Arun Kumar Gupta, IAS, Principal Secretary, Urban Local Bodies Department
- v) Sh. Rajnarayan Kaushik, IAS, Special Secretary, Information Technology, Electronics and Communication Department
- vi) All the Deputy Commissioners / Municipal Commissioners / Additional Deputy Commissioners in the State
- vii) Smt. Pooja Chanwaria, HCS, Additional Director, Development & Panchayats Department
- viii) Sh. Ravinder Singh, Director (Administration), Information Technology, Electronics and Communication Department
- ix) Sh. Nitin Bansal, Chief Technology Officer, Information Technology, Electronics and Communication Department
- x) Sh. Rajesh Aggarwal, Additional Director, Haryana Enterprises Promotion Centre, Panchkula
- xi) Sh. Veenus Nathalia, Assistant Engineer (IT), Development & Panchayats Department
- 2. From Department of Telecommunications, Ministry of Communications, Haryana -Licensed Service Area (LSA).
- i) Dr. Mahesh Shukla, Senior Deputy Director General
- ii) Sh. Sanjay Kumar Jindal, Deputy Director General (Rural)
- iii) Sh. B.S.Nagar, Director (R)

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