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Subject: Minutes of meeting of 2nd SBC, Chandigarh held on 22.12.2022

The MoM of SBC, Chandigarh held on 22.12.2022 has been approved by the competent authority. The same is enclosed for necessary action at your end.

Enclosure: As Above

(Mohan Lal) Dy. Director General (Rural)

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All Members of State Broadband Committee, Chandigarh

Minutes of 2nd State Broadband Committee (SBC) Meeting held on 22nd December 2022 at 10:30 AM Under the Chairmanship of Adviser to Administrator Chandigarh U.T.

The list of the attendees is enclosed with the MoM.

At the outset of the meeting, the member convener welcomed the Chairman, all committee members and other attendees. This meeting was the 3rd round of discussion/deliberations with all stakeholders, that is, in continuation to the earlier 2nd SBC meetings held on 28th October 2022 and 02nd December 2022.

The circulation of the minutes of the 1st SBC meeting was confirmed. Post detail deliberations it was directed/decided that:-

1) Chief Engineer, Chandigarh Administration shall ensure introduction the Tatkal scheme for providing priority electricity to the towers/telegraph infrastructure and also handling of issues of power cuts.

(Responsibility: Chief Engineer, Chandigarh Administration)

2) The committee under the chairmanship of Secretary Urban Planning and comprising of Chief Engineer, Chandigarh Administration, Chief Engineer, MCC, Chief Engineer, Chandigarh Housing Board and Chief Architect, shall explore the possibility of laying of common duct for various utility services including telecom OFC. The committee shall also propose modalities for 'Call before you Dig' policy to minimize issues of fiber cutting and damage to other underground utilities.

(Responsibility: Urban Planning Department, Chandigarh Administration)

Further, agenda points of Second Broadband Committee were discussed, decisions taken are as given below:

1 a-d) Adoption of the notification of Department of Telecommunication, GoI, dated 17 August 2022 and the draft addenda for the existing Chandigarh RoW Policy for rolling out of 5G infrastructure were deliberated and few modifications as suggested by various stakeholders/committee members are considered in the draft Chandigarh RoW Policy for Telecom Infrastructure (Amendment), 2022 (Final Draft RoW Policy provided by Chandigarh IT department after considered suggestions of stake holders and various rates/fee by respective departments, Annexed at A). The committee deliberated on the proposed draft policy and agreed for its consideration for approval by competent authority by Chandigarh UT administration. (Responsibility: **DoIT, Chandigarh**)

1 e) To ensure availability of proper "in-building" solution required for seamless 5G quality mobile coverage inside the buildings, the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) has issued an

addendum to the Model Building By-laws 2016, in March 2022. The Administrative Department may gazette notify the same within 15 days, post approval from the competent authority. (Responsibility: **Jt. Secretary Estate**, Chandigarh Administration)

2 a) Structural suitability certificate is only from PEC.

After due deliberations, some other institutions like NITTR and certificate from structural engineers from empanelled list of the Engineering Department of Chandigarh Administration, have been included in the draft policy.

2 b) Installation of Towers in Residential areas.

The matter was discussed in detail. In this regard, as suggested by the Chief Architect, Chandigarh, in order to maintain the aesthetics of Chandigarh city and security of residents, establishment of Poles/Small cells at private property have been allowed in the residential areas. This has been included in Draft RoW Policy.

2 c) TSP/IPs are not allowed install within 300 mtrs of already existing tower.

After due deliberations with all the stakeholders, this clause has been removed from the draft RoW Policy.

3. Status and way forward for settlement of pending applications.

The list of pending cases (64 sites of M/s Indus Towers and 42 sites of M/s Airtel) were handed over in the meeting. Secy (IT) assured to resolve pending cases at the earliest.

(Responsibility: **DoIT**, Chandigarh)

4 Issues faced by TSPs/IPs.

Sr DDG Punjab LSA intimated in some cases, where approval for ROW permissions has already been granted by ADC, but the owner department is not allowing installation of Tower, e.g. Sports Deptt. Chairman SBC asked the reasons for the same and when Medical Superintendent GMSH-16 Chandigarh raised apprehensions about the safety of patients due to radiations from the mobile tower, Chairman directed all such departments not to stop the installation on apprehensions, as Government of India has issued instructions after taking due care of all aspects.

(Responsibility: DoIT, Chandigarh)

5. Regularization policy of old existing towers.

Secy (IT) informed that most of the old towers will get covered under new policy (draft attached). Also Service Providers needs to consider replacement of remaining towers installed in the Residential areas on Poles, as per feasibility. TSPs/DIPA/COAI raised their apprehensions for implementing the same, on which Chair suggested that wherever it is not possible, such cases will be brought for consideration of SBC.

(Responsibility: TSPs/DIPA/COAI/DoIT, Chandigarh)

7. Consolidated Electricity bills:

It was intimated by CE Electrical that the consolidated electrical bills will be provided to Telecom Operators and this system will be put in place within a month's time.

(Responsibility: CE Electrical, Chandigarh)

8. The committee agreed that the ADC, Chandigarh, as Member of State Broadband Committee since ADC is designated as the Appropriate Authority under the Chandigarh RoW Policy notified in 2021 in lieu of Head SeMT/CTO SPIC, Chandigarh to since the post of Head SeMT in Chandigarh is disposed by NeGD, MeitY, GOI. The same shall be put up in a file for the approval of the competent authority by the Administrative Department.

(Responsibility: **DoIT**, Chandigarh)

The meeting ended with the vote of thanks to the Chair.

<u>Annexure</u>

The Following Member Participated in the meeting

S.No	Name	Designation	Branch/Department Name
1	Sh Nitin Kumar Yadav IAS	Secretary I. T.	Chandigarh Administration
2	Sh. Rupesh Kumar IAS	Director I.T.	Chandigarh Administration
3	Sh. Kamal Kumar ITS	Senior DDG, DOT	Department of Telecom
4	Sh. Manmohan Singh ITS	DDG	Department of Telecom
5	Sh. Puneet Rajput ITS	Director (Chandigarh)	Department of Telecom
6	Sh. Dhananjay Gawanday	Director	COAI
7	Sh. Satish Kumar	SDO Building	ADC Office
8	Sh. Inderjeet Gulati	S.E (B&R)	M.C, Chandigarh
9	Sh. Ajay Kumar Kararha ITS	DGM BSNL	BSNL
10	Sh. M.C. Singh ITS	GMTD Tricity & Ropar	BSNL
11	Sh. Purshotam Lal	Deputy GM	BSNL
12	Sh. Ramesh Gupta	SIO	NIC
13	Sh. Tarun Khurana	Manager-Legal	Towers Vision India Pvt. Ltd.
14	Dr. V.K. Nagpal	Joint Director	Health
15	Dr. Manwinder Singh	SMO, GMCH-16	Health
16	Sh. Harpreet Singh	OPS	DIPA
17	Sh. Paras Sethi	Manager	Indus Towers
18	Sh. Himanshu Sheoran	Assistant Manager	Bharti Airtel Limited
19	Sh. Nitin Thalwal	Head Legal	Indus Towers Limited
20	Sh. Y.S. Bains	President	Reliance Jio
21	Sh. C.B. Ojha	Chief Engineer	Engineering Department
22	Sh. Sourabh Kumar Arora	JSE	Estate Department
23	Sh. Balwinder Sarari	Senior Executive	ATC Telecom India
24	Sh. Sanjay Bhatnagar	G.M	VIL
25	Sh. Amit Kumar	AEE	EWEDC
26	Sh. Anil Dhamija	S.E	EWEDC
27	Sh. Rajeev Rastogi	Deputy Manager	V-con Telecom Tower Infra (P) Ltd.