GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT

No. 25' /E&IT, EIT-DEV-III-SCHMOT -0007-2020

Bhubaneswar Dated 3.1. 22

From

Shri Laxmiprasad Bhuyan, Deputy Secretary to Government.

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The Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Forest, Environment & CC Department/

The Principal Secretary to Government, Finance Department/ Panchayati Raj and DW Department/ H & UD Department/ Revenue & DM Department/ Energy Department/

The Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Government, Works Department/ The CMD, OPTCL, Bhubaneswar/

The Sr. DDG, LSA- Odisha, Bhubaneswar, CPMG Building/

The CGM, BBNL, Odisha Circle, Bhubaneswar /

The CGM, BSNL, Odisha Circle/

The Director General, DIPA/

The Director General, COAI.

Sub: Minutes of the 2nd Meeting of the State Broadband committee held on 23.12.2021.

Sir,

I am directed to enclose herewith a copy of Minutes of the 2nd Meeting of the State Broadband committee held on 23.12.2021 at 12:30 P.M under the Chairmanship of the Chief Secretary, Odisha through Microsoft teams for kind information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully

Deputy Secretary to Government.

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Copy alongwith copy of the enclosure forwarded to OSD to Chief Secretary/P.S. to Secretary, E & IT Department for kind information of the Chief Secretary/Secretary, E & IT Department respectively.

Deputy Secretary to Government.

24 Memo No /E&IT Dated 3.1-22 Copy alongwith copy of the enclosure forwarded to the GM (Admn.), OCAC, Bhubaneswar/ Sri Bijoyananda Mishra, Telecom Advisor, OCAC for information and necessary action.

Deputy Secretary to Government.

<u>Minutes of the 2nd meeting of the State Broadband Committee held on 23rd</u> <u>December, 2021 at 12.30 PM under the chairmanship of the Chief Secretary,</u> <u>Odisha through Microsoft Teams.</u>

The meeting was chaired by the Chief Secretary, Odisha in presence of other members through MS Teams. List of participants is attached at Annexure-I.

At the outset, all the participants were welcomed and explained about the background of the meeting. Joint Secretary, E& IT Department briefed the members regarding the State Government's initiative to conduct the meeting.

A presentation was made by the Sr. DDG, LSA- Odisha on the requirements and updated status on the National Broadband Mission. Sr. DDG, DoT, LSA-Odisha informed the members of the status of Telecom connectivity in the state and also detailed the action taken on issues discussed in 1st meeting of the State Broadband Committee held on 03.11.2020. He informed that efforts are on to increase the tower density in the state i.e. from 0.463 to 0.535 against NBM target of 1 tower per thousand population. Lot many issues were discussed threadbare among the invitees.

After a detailed discussion, the following points were decided in the meeting:

- 1. It was decided to submit a proposal to Government of India/USOF for funding of telecom towers in uncovered areas of the state along with cost estimate for the same.
- E&IT Department would supply the list of additional villages/hamlets not covered in the list of census villages to DoT after collecting the same from R&DM Department and PR&DW Department. The list is required for planning mobile coverage of such villages and hamlets.
- To make the single window portal for telecom infrastructure which includes OFCs go live at the earliest. Jt. Secy, E&IT Dept. intimated that development work of the portal will be completed in 10-15 days.
- E&IT Department to submit the updated response to the BRI questionnaire within 15 days and DoT officials to help in compilation of data which is unavailable with E&IT Department.

- 5. It was agreed to add Secretary, Energy Department in the State Broadband Committee.
- 6. As advised by Chief Secretary, Odisha Sr. DDG, DoT will send the list of pending NOC and Power connection applications to CS's office for further action. It was suggested to have a single window portal for power connection applications.
- 7. It was agreed to start/regularly have district level telecom committee meetings for resolving the telecom issues, and to nominate a nodal officer from each district like ADM. E&IT Department to submit proposal in this regard.
- 8. Regarding matter of Rourkela Steel Plant demanding rental charges retrospectively, Chief Secretary, Odisha advised to take up the matter with Ministry of Steel, Gol.
- 9. It was discussed in the meeting that by 2023-24 there may be a requirement of 50k towers and 2 lakh km fibre cables. DoT, DIPA and COAI were asked to conduct awareness campaigns regarding EMF Emission as cases of opposition to setting up of mobile towers has become a constant issue.
- 10. COAI /DIPA to approach TPCODL for utilising their infrastructure for putting up aerial OFC. However, Chief Secretary desired that in the coastal areas erection of aerial OFC to be avoided within 100 km from the Sea.
- 11. It was advised to issue directions to appropriate authorities for implementation of Odisha RoW Policy.
- 12. The District Magistrate/Police authorities should be requested for safeguard of the Telecom/Digital infrastructure.
- 13. Odisha mobile policy to be updated for 5G rollout, consultation to be done with DoT, COAI and DIPA and other stakeholders.
- 14. It was decided to communicate to all Departments for allowing Govt. land and building to set up mobile towers.

The Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

(This has been approved by Chief Secretary, Odisha on Dt. 28.12.2021 in OSWAS file No. EIT-DEV-III-SCHMOT -0007-2020)

Chief Secretary, Odisha

List of Participants

- 1. Principal Secretary, H&UD Department
- 2. Commissioner-cum-Secretary, Works Department
- 3. Joint Secretary, E& IT Department
- 4. Deputy Secretary, E&IT Department
- 5. Sr DDG, Odisha LSA, DoT.
- 6. MD, OPTCL,
- 7. DGM, BSNL with other Officials
- 8. Officials from DIPA
- 9. Officials from COAI