



BHARAT BROADBAND NETWORK LIMITED

(A Govt. of India Enterprises)

O/o State Head BBNL, Punjab,

Sector - 53 , Phase – 3A, BSNL Telephone Exchange Building
Mohali (Punjab)-160059

To,
The DFO,
Forest Office,
Garhshankar, Punjab.

No. : - BBNL/Punjab-II/payment cases/Nawanshahr
Feb-2019

Dated: 12-

SUB: - INTIMATION OF OFC LAYING WORK IN **BLOCK NAWANSHahr**, DISTT.-
NAWANSHahr, UNDER NATIONAL OPTICAL FIBER NETWORK PROJECT (BHARAT
NET PROJECT PHASE-II)OF BHARAT BROADBAND NETWORK LIMITED (BBNL)FOR
PROVIDING BROADBAND CONNECTIVITY TO PANCHAYATS. (A PART OF DIGITAL
INDIA).

Please refer endst.No.1/11/98-SM/DGR/2268-69-69-A dated 23-04-2014 of Government of
Punjab, Department of Governance Reforms (Copy enclosed) on the above noted subject.

As per the above endorsement letter The Government of Punjab (GoP) has signed a
tripartite Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Department of Telecommunication,
Government of India and the M/s BBNL Ltd. As per this MOU, the State Government agreed
to provide free Right of Way (ROW) without further need of permission under the state
agencies and electric utilities in the state during life cycle of the project. The request is being
submitted by the undersigned as per the BBNL authority letter no. BBNL/Punjab-II/payment
cases/HFCL/Jalandhar /04 dated 09.1.2019 (copy enclosed).

The Topo sheet of route plan of OFC Cable laying work under Forest area is being
submitted here with. You are requested to issue suitable instructions/ guidelines to your staff
down the line for allowing the Right of Way as per the MOU so that OFC laying work is
completed well in time without any hindrance.

S.N.	Name of the Block
1.	Nawanshahr

This may be treated as MOST URGENT.

Monica
ASSISTANT MANAGER
BBNL PUNJAB-CHANDIGARH

(Monica Singh)
Assistant Manager,
BBNL Punjab.

cc. Nodal officer, Dist. Patiala, for kind information and necessary action in the matter.

Enclosures:

1. Topo sheet of route plan
2. Copy of the Endst.
3. Copy of Authority Letter.

BharatNet Project Survey Report (Phase- II)

Block		Nawanshahr			State	Punjab			
5. Cable Laying details and ROW informations for the proposed route									
SI No	Panchayat Name	Type of soil and length(Optional)			Estimated HDD length (in meters)	Estimated Open Trench (in meters)	Road Crossings length	Bridge/ Nala/ Culverts crossings length (mts)	FOREST (Y/N)
		Kachcha	Pacca	Rocky					
1	ALACHAUR	3901.50			3891.50		10.00		Y
2	MALPUR ARKAN	4276.86			4256.86		20.00		Y
3	BHANGAL KALAN	1882.92			1802.92		45.00	35	Y
4	BEGAMPUR	3591.42			3571.42		20.00		Y
5	JAFARPUR(D)	1534.08			1514.08		20.00		Y
6	BAIRSIAN	2466.36			2441.36		25.00		Y
7	GARHI FATEH KHAN	19492.20			19467.20		25.00		Y
8	NILOWAL	3468.00			3448.00		20.00		Y
9	SAIDPUR KALAN	4405.38			4390.38		15.00		Y
10	KANAUN	435.54			390.54		45.00		Y
11	NAI MAZARA	3473.10			3423.10		20.00	30	Y
12	SANAWA	1368.84			1318.84		20.00	30	Y
13	SAJAWALPUR	733.38			718.38		15.00		Y
14	RAMGARH	4113.66			4093.66		20.00		Y
15	USMANPUR	1282.14			1262.14		20.00		Y
16	SOETA	1328.04			1283.04		45.00		Y
17	SEHBAJPUR	1878.84			1833.84		45.00		Y
18	MAZARA KALAN	3732.18			3712.18		20.00		Y
19	MAZARA KHURD	498.78			473.78		25.00		Y
20	MAJHOOR	5077.56			5047.56		30.00		Y
21	BIROWAL	2276.64			2256.64		20.00		Y
22	UTTAL	1434.12			1414.12		20.00		Y
23	OLT TO OLT	23416.34			23396.34		20.00		Y
Total		96067.88	0.00	0.00	95407.88	0.00	565.00	95.00	

VTL REP

TPA REP

BBNL REP



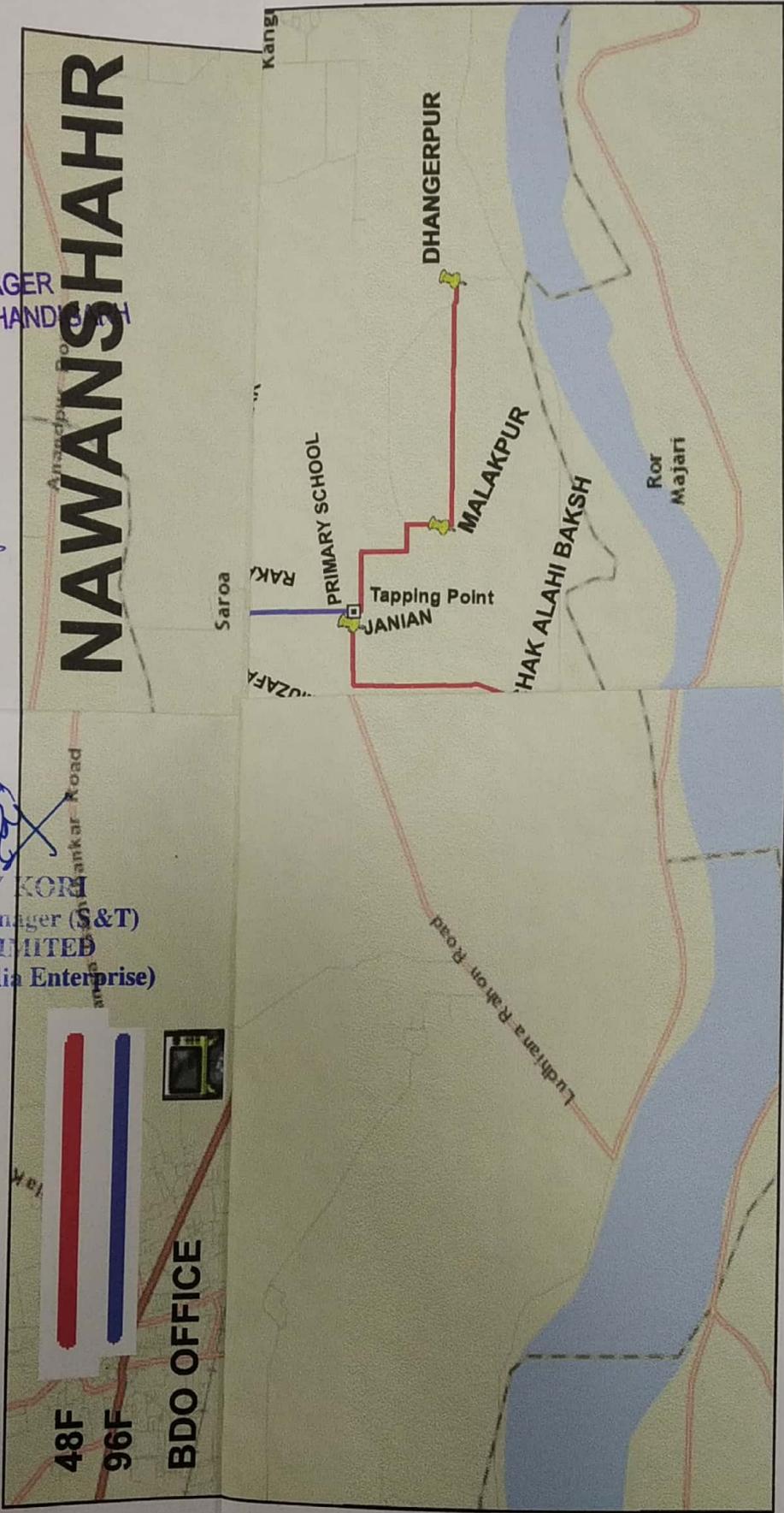

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BDO OFFICE

No. 1/11/98-SM/DGR/ 2268-69-C9-A
Government of Punjab
Department of Governance Reforms
SCO No. 193-95, Sector 34-A, Chandigarh

To

- i. Financial Commissioner, Rural Development & Panchayats,
623/6, Mini Secretariat, Sector-9, Chandigarh
- ii. Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Forest Bhawan,
Sector-68 SAS Nagar, Mohali
- iii. Principle Secretary, Irrigation, 624/5, Mini
Secretariat, Sector-9, Chandigarh
- iv. Principle Secretary, Housing & Urban Development,
210/6, Mini Secretariat, Sector-9, Chandigarh
- v. Principle Secretary, Local Government,
219/4, Mini Secretariat, Sector-9, Chandigarh
- vi. Secretary, Govt. of Punjab, Department of Power,
Room No. 423, 4th Floor, Mini Secretariate
- vii. Secretary, PWD(B&R),
670/6, Mini Secretariat, Sector-9, Chandigarh
- viii. Secretary, Punjab Mandi Board,
SCO 149-52, Sector 17-C, Chandigarh

Subject: Creation of National Optical Fiber Network (NOFN) for providing broadband connectivity to Panchayats

The Government of India (GoI) has declared the National Optical Fiber Network (NOFN) as a national asset for providing broadband connectivity to the Gram Panchayats. The stated objective is sought to be achieved by extending the existing optical fiber network to Panchayats by utilizing Universal Services Obligation Fund (USOF) and creating an institutional mechanism for management and operation of NOFN. The project is envisaged to be implemented in the States through the Special Purpose Vehicle registered as M/s Bharat Broadband Network Limited (BBNL), fully owned by the GoI with equity participation from Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited, RailTel and Power Grid.

As per decision of the competent authority, the Government of Punjab (GoP) has signed a tripartite Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Department of Telecommunication, Government of India and the M/S BBNL Ltd. As per this MoU, the State Government agreed to provide free Right of Way (RoW) without further need of permission under the state agencies and electric utilities in the state during life cycle of the project. A copy of tripartite Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is attached for reference.

You are requested to issue guidelines to your offices for providing the free Right of Way (RoW) and facilitate BBNL for the implementation of the project.

[Signature]
Assistant Manager

Endst. No. 1/11/98-SM/DGR/ 2268-69-C9-A

Dated 23/04/14

A copy of above is forwarded to following for information & necessary action:

- i. All Deputy Commissioners of the state
- ii. Chief General Manager (CGM), Bharat Broadband Network Limited (BBNL), Punjab
- iii. Under Secretary, Governance Reforms

[Signature]
Assistant Manager

[Signature]
ASSISTANT MANAGER
BBNL PUNJAB-CHANDIGARH

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB
DEPARTMENT OF GOVERNANCE REFORMS
(GOVERNANCE REFORMS 1 BRANCH)

Notification

No 9/22/14-IGR1 The Government of India (GoI) has declared the National Optical Fiber Network (NOFN) as a national asset for providing Broadband connectivity to the Gram Panchayats. The stated objective is sought to be achieved by extending the existing National Optical Fiber Network to Panchayats by utilizing Universal Services Obligation Fund (USOF) and creating an institutional mechanism for management and operation of NOFN. The project is envisaged to be implemented in the States through the Special Purpose Vehicle registered as M/s Bharat Broadband Network Limited (BBNL), fully owned by the GoI with equity participation from Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited, RailTel and PowerGrid.

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Dated Chandigarh
the 11th April, 2014

C. Roul
Principal Secretary to Government of Punjab
Department of Governance Reforms

Endst No 9/22/14-IGR1

204353/139

Dated, Chandigarh 17/04/2014

A copy is forwarded to the following for information & necessary

action:-

1. Financial Commissioner, Rural Development & Panchayats.
2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forest
3. Principal Secretary, Local Government
4. Principal Secretary, Irrigation
5. Principal Secretary, Housing & Urban Development
6. Secretary, Power
7. Secretary, PWD (B&R)
8. Secretary, Punjab Mandi Board
9. All Deputy Commissioners of the state

Roul
Under Secretary

Endst No 9/22/14-IGR1

204353/10-A-C

Dated, Chandigarh 17/04/2014

A copy is forwarded to the Controller, Printing & Stationery, Sahibzada Ajit Singh Nagar, Punjab, and Chandigarh with the request that this notification may please be published in the ordinary Gazette of Punjab Government and 50 copies of the same may be sent to this Department.

Roul
Under Secretary

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Endst No 9/22/2014-1GR1

Dated, Chandigarh, the

A copy is forwarded to the Principal Secretary to Deputy Chief Minister Punjab for kind information of Deputy Chief Minister.

SJS
Under Secretary

Endst No. 9/22/2014-1GR1/

Dated, Chandigarh, the

A copy is forwarded to the Private Secretary/Principal Secretary to Government of Punjab, Department of Governance Reforms for kind information of Principal Secretary.

SJS
Under Secretary

Endst No. 9/22/2014-1GR1/204353/10-C

Dated, Chandigarh, the 17/4/14

✓ A copy is forwarded to the Director, Governance Reforms, Punjab, for information and necessary action.

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OK
Rajinder Kaur
Under Secretary

the same may be sent to this Department.

R Kaur
Under Secretary

Mohini
ASSISTANT MANAGER
BBNL PUNJAB-CHANDIGARH

(TRIPARTITE Memorandum of Understanding)

AMONG

Department of Telecommunications, Government of India

AND

Government of Punjab

AND

Bharat Broadband Network Limited

MoU No.NOFN/RoW-22

DATED 12.04.2013

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Made on this 12th day of April, 2013 among

Department of Telecommunications, Government of India (hereinafter referred to as "Central Government") under the administrative control of Ministry of Communications & Information Technology having its office at Room no. 319, Sanchar Bhawan, Ashoka Road, Delhi - 110117 (hereinafter referred to as "DoT" which expression shall unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof include its administrators, successors and assigns) of the First Part,

AND

Bharat Broadband Network Limited, a company incorporated under the provisions of the Companies Act, 1956 and having its registered office at Sanchar Bhawan, New Delhi (hereinafter referred to as "BBNL" which expression shall, unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof, include its successors and assigns) of the Second Part

AND

Government of Punjab (hereinafter referred to as "State Government") which expression shall unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof includes its successors and assigns) of the Third Part.

WHEREAS the Central Government has proposed to establish an Optical Fiber based network for Broadband connectivity to Panchayats for Universal Services to rural population of the country and accordingly cabinet has approved vide cabinet memo no. 37/CM/2011(i) dated 28.10.2011 for creation of National Optical Fiber Network (hereinafter referred to as "NOFN") as a National Asset, for providing Broadband to Panchayats. The objective is to extend the existing optical fiber network to Panchayats by utilizing the Universal Services Obligation Fund (USOF) and creating an institutional mechanism for management and operation of NOFN for non-discriminatory access to all service providers. WHEREAS the

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DOT intends to undertake the execution of the NOFN project (hereinafter referred to as the "Project") through creation of an SPV, the BBNL, on the terms & conditions contained in this agreement and Guideline for NOFN issued by Department of Telecommunications from time to time.

AND WHEREAS BBNL, the Execution Agency of the project will facilitate dissemination of information by Central/ State government for overall development of the state through creating and/ or upgrading the telecommunication/ information infrastructure in Gram Panchayat.

NOW IT IS HEREBY AGREED BY AND AMONGST THE PARTIES HERETO as follows:-

- 1.0 The Tripartite Agreement is signed between Government of India, Bharat Broadband Network Limited and Government of Punjab for the implementation of project in letter and spirit.
- 2.0 The Central Government has approved the formation of Executing Agency vide cabinet approval no. 37/CW/2011(i) dated 28.10.2011 and vide letter no.4/4/2009-Policy-I(pt.) dated 16.11.2011 of Department of Telecommunications for implementation, operation and maintenance of the Project under administrative control of the Department of Telecommunications (DoT). BBNL has been formed and designated as Executing Agency.

3.0 Objectives of Project

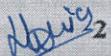
The scope of work in project includes

- a) connecting the gram panchayats of India on Optical fiber using the fiber(s) of other PSUs/TSPs and/or laying incremental fiber network for providing the broadband connectivity.
- b) setting up of suitable telecom network on this national optical fiber network for enabling of various types of applications in the gram panchayats / villages.
- c) operation and maintenance of this project in accordance with the Central Government /DoT guidelines;

Responsibilities of parties towards Installation, Operation and Maintenance of the Project

4.0 CENTRAL GOVERNMENT

- 4.1 Central Government has formed a CPSU, BBNL, under the administrative control of Department of Telecommunications, Ministry of Communications and Information Technology as executing agency.
- 4.2 The Central Government shall issue the guidelines and modalities of formulating/ implementing projects under the programme from time to time.
- 4.3 The Central Government will finance the project through USO Fund.
- 4.4 The Central Government through DoT/ High Level Committee shall monitor and review the implementation of the Scheme and BBNL will execute, monitor the


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implementation and provide connectivity to State Govt. / Telecom service providers to roll out different types of telecom services.

- 4.5 The Central Government shall approve the guidelines for operationalisation of various components of the scheme including mechanism for payment of fees to Execution Agency.

5.0 BBNL, the execution agency

- 5.1 BBNL will provide the connectivity / Bandwidth on OFC media by tapping at suitable point of existing OFC of BSNL/ Railtel / PGCIL or by laying OFC.
- 5.2 BBNL will undertake all works related to laying of new Optical Fiber to reach Gram Panchayat. The work of reinstatement will be done in such a manner that best of the efforts should be made to bring the original position of the dug surfaces along the road side. Maximum efforts should be made to avoid the road cutting. HDD or Horizontal boring methods will be explored to cross the pacca road, if crossing is necessary, to minimize the damage of the road.
- 5.3 BBNL will coordinate with State Government for all activities related to Right of Way.
- 5.4 BBNL can further provide OFC based connectivity to any Telecom service Provider / Internet Service Provider/ any information based service provider in the rural area.
- 5.5 BBNL will bear the cost of space rented in Gram Panchayat Bhawan or any other location and also power consumed for the said purpose.

6.0 Union Territory/ State Government :

State Government/UT will act as a facilitator for providing NOFN services and will ensure the following

- 6.1 Designate a nodal department to coordinate with BBNL for implementation of NOFN Project in the State/Union Territory.
- 6.2 No RoW Charges including reinstatement charges will be levied by any State Government, their local bodies, companies or agencies as the information highway proposed to be created through National Optical Fiber Network for broadband connectivity to Panchayats is primarily for the benefit of the local communities to Panchayats and State Governments. This support will be considered as contribution of the State Government towards this project as a larger good for ensuring the time bound implementation of the programme and to avoid any delays in grant of RoW permission.
- 6.3 Electric Utilities (Transco/ Discoms) shall give Right of Way (RoW) on their transmission lines/ sub-transmission lines/ distribution lines free of cost to BBNL for installation of OPGW/ ADSS cable as may be suitable for extending connectivity to Gram Panchayats.
- 6.4 The State Government through its competent authority will issue blanket approval to BBNL authorizing it for laying OFC without further need of RoW permission under the

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State agencies & electric utilities in the State for the NOFN Project during installation as well as operation and maintenance phase i.e. life cycle of the project.

- 6.5 The blanket approval for RoW should be applicable to the all State Government agencies like PWD/ RES/ Forest* / Municipality/ Panchayat authorities / Electricity Boards / Irrigation / Private Electricity Distribution Agency etc. as applicable.

(* subject to adherence to provisions of Forest Conservation Act wherever applicable)

- 6.6 **State Government**, will provide space and power at Gram Panchayat Bhawan or any other suitable location on cost basis for equipment placement and smooth operation of the NOFN project as required.

- 6.7 **State Government**, will provide unhindered access to BBNL's staff or its representative in Panchayat Bhawan or any other suitable location for operation/maintenance.

- 6.8 This agreement will be valid for operation and maintenance of the OFC Network.

7.0 Advantage to State Government

- 7.1 Panchayats are the constitutionally mandated 3rd tier of government and key institutions for local self government in the rural areas. Coverage of Panchayats with Broadband internet connectivity has a great potential for empowering rural masses by giving them access to information, public services including those of education, health and financial inclusion.

- 7.2 Bandwidth requirement for Panchayats will be higher due to sharing of connectivity and extensive use of audio / video applications

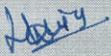
- 7.3 The network can be used for service delivery platform for payment, enrollment and registration for targeting benefits to BPL category, MNREGA, PDS, certificates for birth/ death/ income, land records and registration effectively and efficiently by electronic means.

- 7.4 State government can develop e-office for delivery of document management system, collaborative messaging, e-file, record management, project and task management, RTI, Parliament Questions, court cases, public grievances, inventory and stores, administration, Human resource, budget monitoring, circulars, events, notices, etc taking into consideration of Panchayats and rural citizen.

- 7.5 Other applications for the Panchayats are Government schemes, Planning, Management, Monitoring, Payments, Education, Health, Employment, Agriculture and Commerce.

- 7.6 Further with the help of central government standardized ICT Systems & Services state government can get robust & reliable National Network, improved efficiency & reduced costs, improved Centre-State co-ordination, improved co-ordination among states, sharing of best practices, better planning, visibility & monitoring of development, enhanced Cyber Security & Data Control, improved public service & delivery at Panchayats and improved productivity, efficiency & reduced cost.

8.0 Benefit to Panchayats.


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- 8.1 Citizens resident in Panchayats' will get easy and convenient access to public services on education, health, security, employment, agriculture, banking, pension, transport, energy, legal, etc.
- 8.2 They will get access to and awareness on government schemes in a transparent manner and with transactions in real time, improved Government interface and enhanced Governance experience leading to citizen's empowerment.

9.0 Benefits to Government of India

- 9.1 Central Government will get standardized, secure, scalable, future proof & reliable National ICT Network & Systems, Re-engineered processes based on leading best practices, Robust & Reliable common National ICT infrastructure.
- 9.2 Central Government will be able to ensure efficient delivery of centrally sponsored schemes, enhanced access, transparency and accountability at Central & State information repository on people, places and programmes for improved planning, monitoring and implementation of Central Schemes and enhanced inputs for planning process at all levels,
- 9.3 Better Centre-State interface for information sharing and collaboration will improve public faith in the Government system as a whole and improved productivity, efficiency & reduced cost of the central schemes for welfare of citizen.

10.0 Confidentiality

All parties acknowledge the confidentiality of the information, which may be exchanged between the parties from time to time as being essential to this MOU and agree not to disclose the same to any outside party. However, each party shall be free to disclose such information as is:

- o Part of the public domain at the time of disclosure or
- o Required to be disclosed by official authorities in accordance with the applicable laws.

11.0 Arbitration and applicable law:

- 11.1 The parties hereby agree that any controversy, claim or dispute arising out of the interpretation, application or in connection with this MOU which cannot be resolved amicably, shall be referred to Secretary (Telecom), Govt. of India whose decision shall be final and binding on all parties. All disputes will be resolved as per the Government of India policies and applicable Indian Laws.
- 11.2 All three parties shall not use logos, trademarks and intellectual property of each other.

12.0 Force Majeure:

No failure or omission by either party to carry out or observe or perform any of the terms and conditions of this agreement shall give rise to any claim against such party or be deemed a breach of this MOU if such failure or omission arises from an act of God, act or omission of Government, War or Military operation, accidents, national or local emergency, fire, lightning, explosion, flood, inclement weather, equipment failure or any other cause whether similar or dissimilar outside such Party's control.

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ASSISTANT MANAGER
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13.0 **Validity:** This MOU shall come into force upon signature by all three parties and shall be valid for entire life cycle of the project.

14.0 **Termination**

14.1 This MOU can be terminated under extreme exigency conditions by the concerned parties under mutual agreement.

14.2 In case of war/hostilities, second party based on operational requirements towards national security can suspend the MOU by giving three months' notice to the first party and can resume the same at the end of the war/hostilities.

<p>SIGNED AND DELIVERED BY (on behalf of MINISTRY OF Communication & Information Technology Govt. of India)</p> <p>Signature <u>Umashankar</u> <small>(V. UMASHANKAR)</small></p> <p>Name & Designation <u>Joint Secretary (T.)</u> <small>Joint Secretary (T.) भारत-संचार विभाग, भारत सरकार Deptt. of Telecom, Govt. of India New Delhi</small></p> <p>Address <u>Ministry of Telecom, Govt. of India</u> <small>भारत-संचार विभाग, भारत सरकार Deptt. of Telecom, Govt. of India New Delhi</small></p>	<p>in the presence of</p> <p>Signature <u>[Signature]</u></p> <p>Name & Designation <u>T. S. SASTRY</u></p> <p>Address <u>J.A.I., USOF, DoT</u></p>
<p>SIGNED AND DELIVERED BY (on behalf of STATE GOVT. OF Punjab)</p> <p>Signature <u>[Signature]</u></p> <p>Name & Designation <u>CHHABILENDRA ROUL</u></p> <p>Address <u>Project Civil Secretariat II</u> <u>Sector-9, Chandigarh.</u></p>	<p>in the presence of</p> <p>Signature <u>[Signature]</u></p> <p>Name & Designation <u>ANIL AGARWAL Sr. Consultant</u></p> <p>Address <u>Sector-17B, P.F.I.</u> <u>Sector-34A, Chandigarh.</u></p>
<p>SIGNED AND DELIVERED BY (on behalf of BBNL)</p> <p>Signature <u>[Signature]</u></p> <p>Name & Designation <u>DEEPA KUMAR AGARWAL, ITS</u> <small>निदेशक (प्रशासन) (प्रशासन) (प्रशासन) भारत-ब्रोडबैंड नेटवर्क लिमिटेड Bharat Broadband Network Ltd. (भारत सरकार का एक उपक्रम) (A Government of India Enterprise)</small></p> <p>Address <u>BBNL</u></p>	<p>in the presence of</p> <p>Signature <u>[Signature]</u></p> <p>Name & Designation <u>M. K. CHAUHAN</u></p> <p>Address <u>Sr. Cm (Project) BBNL</u></p>

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ASSISTANT MANAGER
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No. BBNL/Punjab-II/Payment Cases/HFCL/Jalandhar/04

Dated 09-01-2019.

Authority Letter.

The following officers of Bharat Broadband Nigam Limited (BBNL) are hereby authorized to sign ROW permission applications for Railways, IOCL, GAIL, NHAI, HPCL, GSPL, etc. and intimation to all the state Government agencies like PWD/ RES/ Forest/ Municipality/ Panchayat authorities/ Electricity Boards/ Irrigation/ Private Electricity Distribution Agency etc. for laying Optical Fiber Cable through BBNL Project Implementation Agencies M/ VTL & M/s HFCL in All the **Blocks of Punjab** on behalf of Bharat Broadband Nigam Limited (BBNL), under BharatNet Phase-II (part of Digital India).

S.No.	Name of BBNL representative	Designation
1.	Monica Singh	Assistant Manager
2.	Dhruv Kumar Chhanpria	Assistant Manager


(Sanjeev Nagpal)

State Head

BBNL, Punjab.

Copy to :

1. M/s VTL for P-1.
2. M/s HFCL for P-2.
3. M/s HFCL for P-3.


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(A Govt. of India Undertaking)

क्षेत्र / Valid Upto : 31.12.2020
निवास दूरभाष : 1724042017
Resi. Tel. No. : 9855165166
Emergency No. : HM-249, Sector 54,
पता / Address : Phase-2, Mohali,
Punjab-160055

निवास कार्यालय / Corporate Office

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(भारत सरकार का उपक्रम)



नाम / Name : Monica Singh
पदनाम/ Desig. : Assistant Manager
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Mohali (Punjab)-160059

To,

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest,
Forest Bhawan,
Sector 68 SAS Nagar Mohali,
PUNJAB.

No. BBNL/PB-II/RoW-Misc/2018-19/14

Dated 01-02-2019.

SUB: CREATION OF NATIONAL OPTICAL FIBER NETWORK (NOFN) FOR PROVIDING BROADBAND CONNECTIVITY TO PANCHAYATS (PUNJAB)- Regarding Issuing guidelines to your offices at ground level for expediting processing of right of way request to meet timelines for implementation of this project.

We are pleased to inform you that under Phase II of the Bharatnet Project BBNL have selected two Project Implementation (PIA) agencies i.e. **M/s Himachal Futuristic Communications Ltd., and M/s Vindhya Telelinks Limited** to lay down optical Fiber (OFC) in 50 blocks of Punjab and about 4850 Gram Panchayats. These PIA's are interacting with all the RoW authorities in Forest offices of Punjab for RoW matters.

2. We draw your kind attention to endorsement letter No. 1/11/98-SM/DGR/2268-69-69 A dated 23/4/2014 bringing to your kind notice that the Government of Punjab has signed a tripartite Memorandum of Understanding with the Department of Telecommunication, Government of India and M/s BBNL Ltd. As per the MoU the State Government has agreed to provide free Right of Way without further need of permission under the state agencies and electric utilities in the state during life cycle of the project.

3. As per the Tripartite Memorandum of Understanding clause 6.5 the blanket approval for RoW should be applicable to the all State Government agencies like PWD/RES/FOREST*/MUNIIPALITY/PANCHYAT authorities/Electricity Board/Irrigation/Private Electricity Distribution Agency etc. as applicable(*subject to adherence to provisions Forest Conservation Act wherever applicable).

4. As is known to you No RoW charges including reinstatement charges will be levied by any State Government department and this support was considered as contribution of the State Government towards this project as a larger good of the state for ensuring the Time bound Implementation of the programme and to avoid any delays in grant of RoW permission as per the MoU.

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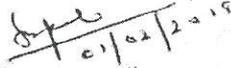
5. The Project Implementation agencies (PIA) have brought to our notice that the slow progress in processing request of RoW by Forest offices at ground level making difficult for them to achieve the given timelines.

The PIA have pointed out that:-

1. The forest officials at district level are not update about the MoU and guidelines for expediting RoW applications processing under this Project.
2. To determine forest area falling in the route of the project the joint survey with forest officials is taking time longer than the desired. Some instances the survey of the routes were not conducted even after one month of submission of the application. There is considerable delay in conducting joint survey by the forest officials.
3. Once the survey is complete the PIA needs duly signed survey reports to submit On-line applications. Such signing off of the survey report is also delayed in certain districts.

6. The timelines for completion of the project are very stringent. The delay in processing RoW applications defeat the spirit of the Tripartite MoU and the progress of this project of national importance get adversely affected.

Therefore it is requested to ensure that the issued guidelines are percolated at the district level and there is awareness about the strategic importance of this Project so that ground level officials extend whole hearted support in the matter.


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Enclosure: As Above.

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