

No. 1/11/98-SM/DGR/ 2260-2267
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.



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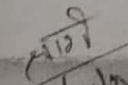
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Dated 23/04/14

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


Assistant Manager


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the 11th April, 2014

Principal Secretary to Government of Punjab

Department of Governance Reforms

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Dated, Chandigarh : 17/04/2014

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3. Principal Secretary, Local Government
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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

B. Kaur
Under Secretary

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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.

B. Kaur
Under Secretary

Endst No. 9/22/2014-1GR1

Dated, Chandigarh, the

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Sd/-
Under Secretary

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Dated, Chandigarh, the

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Sd/-
Under Secretary

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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 *Bhupinder Kaur*
Under Secretary

the same may be sent to this Department.

RS Kaur
Ok Under Secretary