

हरियाणा सरकार /HARYANA GOVERNMENT सचना पौद्योगिकी सचिवालय

Secretariat for Information Technology

GOVERNMENT ORDER

Dated 12.03, 2015 No. Admn/373/2SIT/2184

Subject:- Regarding objection of Forests Department for laying of Optical Fiber Cable (OFC) under National Optical Fiber Network (NOFN) Projects and space and power issues at Gram Panchayats (GPs).

One of the 9 pillars of Digital India Mission is "Broadband Highways". Under National Optical Fibre Network (NOFN), it is envisaged to connect 2,50,000 Gram Panchayats of the country and 100 MBPS broadband connectivity will be provided to each Gram Panchayat. Optical Fiber Cable connectivity has so far been available at all State Capitals, Districts and Block Level.

- In Haryana, work on NOFN started 2 years ago and Bharat Broadband Nigam Ltd was allocated the work to connect 4221 villages in 2014-15 as part of Phase-I. M/s BBNL has further allotted the work of NOFN to M/s Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd. (BSNL) in the State. Under this project, all the Gram Panchayats of the Haryana State are to be connected on fiber upto 31.03.2016 and all 95 Gram Panchayats of District Faridabad are to be connected on fiber upto 31.03.2015.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister, Haryana has set a deadline of September 2015 for laying of NOFII in 4000 villages of the State. The BSNL has been facing difficulties from Department of Forests & Wildlife, Haryana and Public Works Department, Haryana to seek prior permission before starting the trenching/OFC laying work in the State.
- Accordingly, the matter was placed before the Hon'ble Chief Minister Haryana and he has ordered that:
 - i. The competent authority in Forest Department will issue necessary permissions within 7 days of receipt of receipt of online/offline application.
 - ii. Principal Secretary, Electronics & IT and Principal Secretary, Forests & Wildlife should stay in regular touch for quick redressal in case there any delay in any of the districts.
 - iii. Deputy Commissioners be asked to monitor the progress regarding permission on a regular basis.
 - iv. Any delay or issue of concern be brought to his knowledge.
- The Principal Secretary Forests & Wildlife may therefore ensure strict compliance by all concerned in the department of Forests.

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