

Justification for selection of Sites for Laying of Optical Fibre Cable(OFC) Sepoidhura to 8th Mile along the Hill Cart Road Falling under [Kurseong Forest](#) Division of W.B.

While planning & Execution of Reliance 4G Project it came up that factually 30% of the Land in North Bengal area has been under the Forest Control besides 37.76% being under vegetative coverage. Whereas there has been significant area occupied by the habitats mostly around the said area and the 4G services are to be provided to those peoples also and necessary Telecom Infra-structures are to be built up in all those areas also to ensure that no part of the population/citizens are left out of the coverage area.

To make available high speed broadband service in those areas that adds great value in Term of making essential service available for business, education, healthcare, e-governance Nature Conversation, Safety & Security & so on, Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited needs very little access in a few such designated forest areas for setting up network for transmission and receiving data to the browsing devices, especially the mobile ones is essential and in a very few cases connecting Towers are done using OFC cables.

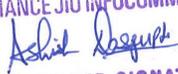
Since a Stretch of 5.6 Km in the scheme of laying OFC cables from **Sepoidhura to 8th Mile(Excluding Dilaram & Tung Village) along the Hill Cart Road** falls in the forest area under [Kurseong Forest](#) Division & this is such that cannot be given up & compromise.

Laying of OFC Cable along the uphill side of existing Hill Cart Road from **Sepoidhura to 8th Mile** over a stretch of 5.6 Km passes through forest area of [Kurseong Forest](#) Division need to be executed following Overhead Methodology. Considering the topography of the site underground Methodology cannot be followed. As a result of that poles (Steel) of length 6 M/7.5 Mtr will be embedded with a gap of 35-40 Mtr over the land of the uphill side of Hill Cart Road. The Base of the each pole will be embedded with CC (Cylindrical Shape Structure of Size 1.3 M Depth & 0.6 Mtr Diam). So We are in need of space 0.40 Mtr X 5600 Mtr totaling 2240 SqM = 0.224 Ha in the forest land along Hill Cart Road under [Kurseong Forest](#) Division.

So, we are requesting the authority to consider our prayer for provide us space for laying OFC Cable along the Hill Cart Road passing through the Forest Area of [Kurseong Forest](#) Division for Connectivity.

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