



**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Road Transport and Highways**

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To

1. The Chief Secretaries of all State Governments/UTs
2. The Chairman, National Highways Authority of India (NHAI), G-5&6, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110 075.
3. The Principal Secretaries / Secretaries of States / Union Territories, Public Works Departments (Dealing with National Highways, other Centrally sponsored schemes and state Schemes)
4. The Engineers- in- Chief and Chief Engineers of Public Works Departments of State/Union Territories ( Dealing with National Highways, other Centrally sponsored schemes and state Schemes)
5. Director General (Border Roads), Seema Sadak Bhawan, Ring Road, New Delhi - 110 010.

**Subject: Implementation of Defence OFC Network**

Sir,

Ministry of Defence vide DO letter no 24(2)2004-D(GS-III)-Vol. VII/108/Def Secy/10 dated August 13, 2010 (Copy enclosed) have requested for expeditious ROW clearance of all the Defence OFC routes. The implementation of "Defence OFC network" is a matter of national importance and accordingly it is requested to process cases of ROW permissions expeditiously in accordance with Ministry's guidelines.

2.) The contents of this circular may be brought to the notice of all concerned in your organization.

Yours faithfully,



[Sunil Kumar Verma]

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 For Director General (Road Development) &SS

Encl.:- As above.

Copy to:

Defence Secretary, Ministry of Defence, South Block, New Delhi-110 001

Copy to:

- 1) All the Technical officers in the Department of Road Transport & Highways
- 2) All ROs and ELOs
- 3) The Secretary General, Indian Roads Congress
- 4) The Director, NITHE
- 5) Technical Circular file of S&R section
- 6) NIC for Office Intranet

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Dear Mr. R. S. Gujral,

Government has approved roll out of a pan India exclusive OFC based network for Defence Services in lieu of spectrum being released by MoD. This project is being implemented by BSNL in "Mission Mode" to meet the stringent timeline for release of spectrum. Any delay in network roll out activities for Defence OFC Network is likely have adverse effect on exploitation of C4ISR and all other Mission critical capabilities of Armed Forces. Therefore, the implementation of "Defence OFC Network" in a time bound manner is of national importance.

2. BSNL has initiated the tendering process for procurement and laying of 57,000 km of exclusive OFC for Defence network on 23 April 2010 as part of this project. The purchase order for laying of OFC for Defence network is likely to be issued in August 2010 and the laying of 57,000 Km OFC in all parts of the country is to be completed by March 2012.

3. Expeditious issue of Right of Way (RoW) clearance for all the Defence OFC routes is required to be obtained from various Central/State Govt agencies by October 2010. It is necessary to avoid delay in implementation of this vital project of national importance. BSNL will ensure completion of necessary reinstatement works during the installation of OFC routes for this project.

4. It is, therefore, requested that necessary instructions may be given to all agencies to facilitate expeditious RoW clearance to BSNL for Defence OFC routes.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Pradeep Kumar)

Shri R.S.Gujral,  
Secretary,  
Ministry of Road Transport & Highways,  
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