No. RW-MD/TN/OFC/PER/NH-67/2002 GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS Chief Enginer cum Regional Officer, C-1-A, Rajaji Bhavan, Besant Nagar, Chennai- 600090. Email: cerochennaimorth@gmail.com,Telefax Off: 24919341, 24916032.

Dated: 30.04.2019

Invitation of public comments

Subject:-Permission Proposal for laying underground Optical fiber cable along the NH-67 from Km 113/500 to 114/500(LHS) and across the road at Km 114/500 on Thanjavur-Trichy section of NH-67 in the State of Tamil Nadu-Reg.

The proposal is regarding permission for laying of Optical fiber cable By M/s Bharti Airtel Ltd., Oceanic Towers, 4th Fllor,101,Santhome High Road Chennai-28 the National Highways NH-67 from Km 113/500 to 114/500(LHS) and across the road at Km 114/500 500 on Thanjavur-Trichy section of NH-67 was submitted to this office by the PD, NHAI Thanjavur vide letter No.NHAI/PIU/Thaj/11021/92/2019/722 dated 11.04.2019 (received on 16.04.2019) has submitted the proposal to this office in accordance with Ministry's latest guidelines dated 22.11.2016.

2. The alignment proposed by M/s Bharti Airtel Ltd., Oceanic Towers, 4th Fllor, 101, Santhome High Road Chennai-28 from Km 113/500 to 114/500(LHS) and across the road at Km 114/500 500 on Thanjavur-Trichy section of NH-67i.e. in a length of 1000m as detailed under:

Stretch in Km	Length (Km)	ROW (m)	Dist. of Prop. Optical fiber cable from Centre of NH (m)
LHS - Size of Pipe 40mm PLB Pipe & 20mm OFC Cable			
113/500 to 114/500	1.000	60.000	29.00
Across - Size of Pipe 150mm RCC casing pipe, 40mm PLB pipe & 20mm OFC Cable at Km 114/500			

3. The right of way 60.00m in the aforesaid stretch. The carriageway width of aforesaid stretch is 14.50m. M/s Bharti Airtel Ltd., Chennai has proposed to lay the Optical fiber cable at the edge of the ROW for Km 113/500 to 114/500. However, out of the aforesaid length, in 1000m the Optical fiber cable is proposed to be laid at a distance more than 15m which is not in conformity with Ministry's guidelines vide letter No.NHIII/P/66/76 dated 19.11.1976. Further, M/s Bharti Airtel Ltd., Chennai has mentioned that the OFC is proposed to lay by using *Trench Method* where the distance is more than 15m from the center line of the carriageway and at acrossings at Km 114/500 the OFC is proposed to lay by HDD method at a depth of 1.65m from the bottom of the road.

4. M/s Bharti Airtel Ltd., Chennai has furnished an undertaking to the effect that M/s Bharti Airtel Ltd., Chennai will remove the laid OFC line in future if required by NH wing of State Highways Department/MoRTH Govt. of India at any time for expansion of the NH at their own cost without claiming any compensation from NH wing of Tamil Nadu/MoRTH Govt. of India and any right on the NH land. Further, mentioned that M/s Bharti Airtel Ltd., Chennai will also restore the

surfaces to its original condition soon after removal of the OFC lines. Also, certified that the proposed Optical fiber cable work will not affect the design, stability, traffic safety and future improvement of the proposed stretch.

5. As per the guidelines issued by the Ministry vide letter No.RW/NH-33044/29/2015/ S&R(R) dated 22.11.2016 the relaxation application submitted by the applicant will be made available for public comments and the comments will be invited within 30 days from the day of uploading.

In view of the above, comments of the public on the above proposal requiring relaxation from distance criteria is invited to the below mentioned address:

The Chief Engineer cum Regional Officer, Chennai Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, C-1-A, Rajaji Bhavan, Besant Nagar, Chennai- 600 090

Yours Sincerely

(R.Ellavarason) Superintending Engineer For Chief Engineer Cum-RO

Encl: As Above.

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1. The NIC, New Delhi - for uploading in the Ministry's website.

2. The CE, NH Chennai - for information

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