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No.RW-MD/TN/OFC/NH-47/Per/2002

Dated: 13.03.2018

Invitation of public comments

Subject: Permission Proposal for laying Optical fiber cable along the NH from Km 618/300 to 620/400 (LHS) of NH-47 in the State of Tamil Nadu – Regarding.

The proposal is regarding permission for laying of Optical fiber cable by BSNL, Optical Fiber Cable Division along the NH from Km 618/300 to 620/400 (LHS) of NH-47 was submitted to this office by the SE(NH), Tirunelveli vide letter No.476/2018/JDO dated 21.02.2018 (received in this office 26.02.2018).

2. The alignment proposed by the Divisional Engineer, BSNL, Optical Fiber Cable Division, Tirunelveli is to lay the Optical fiber cable along the NH from Km 618/300 to 620/400 (LHS) of NH-47 i.e. in a length of 2100m 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 125/101mm DWC pipe			
618/300 to 620/400	2.100	Varies 12 to 14	Varies 5.5 to 6.5

3. The right of way varies from 12m -14m in the aforesaid stretch. The carriageway width of aforesaid stretch is 10m. The DE, BSNL, Optical Fiber Cable Division, Tirunelveli has proposed to lay the Optical fiber cable at the edge of the ROW for a length of 2.100 Km. **However, out of the aforesaid length, in 2.100 Km the Optical fiber cable is proposed to be laid at a distance less than 15m which is not in conformity with Ministry's guidelines vide letter No.NHIII/P/66/76 dated 19.11.1976.** Further DE, BSNL, Divisional Engineer, BSNL, Optical Fiber Cable Division, Tirunelveli has mentioned that the OFC is proposed to lay by using **Trenchless Technology** where the distance is less than 15m from the center line of the carriageway the OFC is proposed to lay by HDD method at a depth of 1.65m from the bottom of the road.

4. The DE, BSNL, Divisional Engineer, BSNL, Optical Fiber Cable Division, Tirunelveli has furnished an undertaking to the effect that BSNL 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 BSNL will also restore the surfaces to its original condition soon after removal of the OFC lines. Also, certificated 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 will be made available for public comments and the comments will be invited within 30 days from the day of uploading.

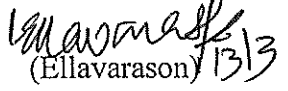
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In view of the above, comments of the public on the above proposal requiring relaxation from distance criteria is invited to the below mentioned address:

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Encl: As Above.

Yours faithfully,


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Regional Officer

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