No.CE-RO/Chennai/MoRTH/12017/NH-81/08/PER/2020-21 GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS

MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS Regional Officer.Chennai

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Dated: 24.03.2021

Invitation of public comments

Subject:- Permission proposal for laying underground Optic Fiber Cable along the National Highways from Km 11/680 to 13/150(LHS) for a length of about 1470m and across the road at Km 11/680 of NH-81(Coimbatore-Karur-Tiruchirappalli-Chidambaram Road) in the state of Tamil Nadu-Reg.

The proposal is regarding permission for laying underground Optic Fiber Cable along the National Highways from Km 11/680 to 13/150(LHS) for a length of about 1470m and across the road at Km 11/680 of NH-81(Coimbatore-Karur-Tiruchirappalli-Chidambaram Road) was submitted to this office by the SE, NH, Salem vide letter No.592/2020-21/JDO dated 05.03.2021 (received on 12.03.2021) 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. Railtel Corporation of India Ltd. Chennai for laying underground Optic Fiber Cable along the National Highways from Km 11/680 to 13/150(LHS) for a length of about 1470m and across the road at Km 11/680 of NH-81(Coimbatore-Karur-Tiruchirappalli-Chidambaram Road) i.e. in a length 1470m 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			
Km 11/600 to 13/150	1.470	Varies 28.00 to 56.40	Varies 10.50 to 34.50
Across - Size of Pipe 10 Km 11/680	Omm HDPE	pipe, 40mm PLB pipe & 20r	nm OFC Cable

- 3. The right of way 28.00m to 56.40m in the aforesaid stretch. The carriageway width of aforesaid both side stretch is 17.00m M/s Railtel Corporation of India Ltd. Chennai has proposed to lay the Optical fiber cable at the edge of the ROW for a length of 1470m. However, out of the aforesaid length, in 1000m 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, M/s Railtel Corporation of India Ltd. Chennai has mentioned that the OFC is proposed to lay by using *Trench Method* as distance is more than 15m from the center line of the carriageway and crossing in Km 11/680 the OFC is proposed to lay by HDD method at a depth of 1.65m from the bottom of the road.
- 4. The applicant M/s Railtel Corporation of India Ltd. Chennai has furnished an undertaking to the effect that M/s Railtel Corporation of India 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 Railtel Corporation of India 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 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 from distance criteria is invited to the below mentioned address:

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Yours Sincerely,

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

2. The SE(NH), Salem -636 004-for information

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