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ABSTRACT

Information Technology - Communication Infrastructure - Use of public right of way for laying optic fibre cables - Consolidated policy guidelines for grant of permission - Issued.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Ms) No.7

Dated:12-02-2001

Read:

- 1) G.O.Ms.No.10, Info.Tech. dated 4.5.2000
- 2) Govt.Lr.(Ms)No.23, Info.Tech. dated 08.09.2000
- 3) Govt.Lr.(Ms)No.28, Info.Tech. dated 03.11.2000
- 4) G.O.Ms.No.29, Info. Tech. dated 10-11-2000.
- 5) From the Chief Engineer, National Highways, Lr.No.172/VS3/NH/2000 dated 21-12-2000.

ORDER:

In the Government Order first read above, guidelines specifying the terms and conditions for the grant of centralised permission for the use of public right of way by any private or public sector applicant that proposes to lay Optic Fibre Cables (OFC) along the National and State Highways and other roads in the State of Tamil Nadu, were issued.

2. In the Government Letters (Ms) second and third read above, certain amendments were issued to the said guidelines and a set of consolidated general guidelines were later issued in the Govt.Order fourth read above, Incorporating these amendments.

3. In his letter fifth read above, the Chief Engineer, National Highways has brought to the notice of the Government that the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, Govt. of India has issued certain guidelines to be followed regarding laying of OFC in National Highways land and these guidelines are required to be incorporated in the general guidelines of this Government. He has also sent a draft amendment in this regard for approval of the Government. The Government, after examination, have decided to incorporate suitable amendments to the existing consolidated guidelines in this regard and to issue a revised set of consolidated general guidelines for the sake of convenience.

4. Accordingly, the Government issue a revised consolidated general guidelines specifying the terms and conditions for the grant of centralised permission to use the public right of way for laying Optic Fibre Cables in the National and State Highways and other roads in Tamil Nadu, as in the Annexure to this order.

5. Applicants, who find acceptable to the general terms and conditions specified in the annexure will have to apply to the Government of Tamil Nadu in Information Technology Department. The Information Technology Department will process such applications in consultation with Municipal Administration & Water Supply, Highways and

other relevant Government Departments, specify such other conditions as may be necessary in public interest, and accord centralised permission for use of the public right of way in the locations identified by the applicants.

6. These revised consolidated guidelines are also applicable to all applicants who have been accorded centralised permission so far.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

D.PRAKASH
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Secretary to Govt. Finance department
The Secretary to Govt. MA&WS department
The Secretary to Govt. HW department
The Secretary to Govt. Revenue department
The Secretary to Govt. RD department
All other Secretaries to Government
The Commissioner of Municipal Administration
The Commissioner of Town Panchayats
The Commissioners of Corporation of Chennai, Coimbatore, Tiruchirappalli, Madurai, Salem and Tirunelveli.
The Director of Local Fund Audit department
The Director of Rural development
The CE (General.)/CE(NH), Highways & Rural Works Department
All District Collectors (By name)

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The Secretary to Hon'ble CM (NS)
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The CMS/CM's Office
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The CMD, ELCOT, Chennai-35. }
The Director, Guidance Bureau, Chennai-8 } (for inclusion in their websites)
All permitted parties
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SECTION OFFICER.

ANNEXURE

REVISED CONSOLIDATED GUIDELINES FOR GRANT OF PERMISSION TO PRIVATE AND PUBLIC SECTOR ORGANISATIONS FOR USE OF PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY FOR LAYING OPTIC FIBRE CABLES IN TAMIL NADU
Scope

1. Permission will relate to the use of the public right of way along National Highways, State Highways, other roads under Highways Department, roads within urban areas in Town Panchayats, Municipalities and Municipal Corporations.