No.RW-MD/TN//NH-83/PER/2018 GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS Chief Enginer cum Regional Officer.

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Invitation of public comments

Subject: Permission Proposal for Conversion of Over Headlines to underground power cable along the NH-67 from Km 000/000 to Km 1/400 on LHS (Total Length 1400Mts) on Nagapattinam-Thanjavur section of Velankanni Town, Nagapattinam District in the State of Tamil Nadu-Reg.

The proposal is regarding permission for Conversion of Over Headlines to underground power cable along the NH-67 from Km 000/000 to Km 1/400 on LHS (Total Length 1400Mts) on Nagapattinam- Thanjavur section of Velankanni Town, Nagapattinam District in the State of Tamil Nadu was submitted to this office by the PD, NHAI Thanjavur vide letter No. NHAI/PIU/Thanj/11021/101/2018/842 dated 07.05.2019. The proposal was earlier examined in this office and the same was returned with certain observations vide this office letter dated 11.06.2019. In response, PD, NHAI Thanjavur to resubmit the proposal to this office in accordance to Ministry's latest guidelines dated 22.11.2016. Accordingly the proposal has been resubmitted by PD, NHAI Thanjavur vide letter NHAI/PIU/Thani/11021/101/2018/1406 dated 18.07.2019.

2. The alignment proposed by SE,Nagai Elecy Distn Circle Nagapattinam is to lay for Conversion of Over Headlines to underground power cable along the NH-67 from Km 000/000 to Km 1/400 on LHS (Total Length 1400Mts) on Nagapattinam-Thanjavur section of Velankanni Town, Nagapattinam i.e. in a length of 1400m as detailed under:

Stretch in Km.	Length (Km)	ROW (m)	Dist. Of Prop. Conversion of Over headlines to underground cable from Centre line of NH (m)
LHS- The UG Power Cable	33KV HT &11K	V HT	
Km 000/000 to Km 1/400	1400	16.00	7.55

The right of way is 16m in the aforesaid stretch. The carriageway width each side of aforesaid stretch is 9m. The applicant has proposed to Conversion of Over Headlines to underground power cable along the NH-67 from Km 000/000 to Km 1/400 on LHS (Total Length 1400Mts) on Nagapattinam- Thanjavur section of Velankanni Town, Nagapattinam. SE Nagai Elecy Distn Circle Nagapattinam have further given undertaking that exist bridge and culvert will not utilized for laying underground cable and existing overhead line will be retained. However, in the entire length of 1190m the underground power cable line 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 by the Applicant, SE,Nagai Elecy Distn Circle Nagapattinam has mentioned that the Conversion of Over Headlines to underground power cable along the NH-67 from Km 000/000 to Km 1/400 on LHS is proposed to lay by using *Trench method* at a depth of 1.20m from the bottom of the road.

- 4. The SE,Nagai Elecy Distn Circle Nagapattinam Conversion of Over Headlines to underground power cable has furnished an undertaking to the effect that Nagai Elecy Distn Circle Nagapattinam Conversion of Over Headlines to underground power cable will remove the laid underground power Cable 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 Elecy Distn Circle Nagapattinam will also restore the surfaces to its original condition soon after removal of the underground Cable line. Also, certificated that the proposed underground power cable line 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.

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 Office, Chennai Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, C-1-A, Rajaji Bhavan, Besant Nagar, Chennai- 600 090

Encl: As Above.

Yours Sincerely,

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Copy to:

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

2. The PD, NHAI, Thanjavur - for information

3. The SE, Nagai Elecy Distn Circle Nagapattinam - for information

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