No. CE-RO/Chennai/MoRTH/12017/NH-948/PER/53/2018-19 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: 04.10.2018

Invitation of public comments

Subject:-Permission Proposal for laying Optical fiber cable along the NH-948 from Km 314/298 to 315/530(RHS), Km 320/750 to 320/985(RHS), Km 320/478 to 322/617(LHS), Km 325/865to 326/340 (LHS), Km 327/760 to 327/865(LHS) and across the road at Km 320/750, Km 322/617, Km 327/865, Km327/925 of NH-948 in the State of Tamil Nadu-Reg.

The proposal is regarding permission for laying of Optical fiber cable By M/s Reliance Jio Infocomm Ltd., Chennai the National Highways NH-948 from Km 314/298 to 315/530(RHS), Km 320/750 to 320/985(RHS), Km 320/478 to 322/617(LHS), Km 325/865to 326/340 (LHS), Km 327/760 to 327/865(LHS) and across the road at Km 320/750, Km 322/617, Km 327/865, Km327/925 of NH-948 was submitted to this office by the SE, NH Salem vide letter No.1777/2018/JDO/dated 27.07.2018 (received on 06.08.2018) in accordance with Ministry's latest guidelines dated 22.11.2016.

2. The alignment proposed by M/s Reliance Jio Infocomm Ltd., Chennai the National Highways NH-948 from Km 314/298 to 315/530(RHS), Km 320/750 to 320/985(RHS), Km 320/478 to 322/617(LHS), Km 325/865to 326/340 (LHS), Km 327/760 to 327/865(LHS) and across the road at Km 320/750, Km 322/617, Km 327/865, Km 327/925 of NH-948 i.e. in a length of 4279m as detailed under:

Stretch in Km	Length (Km)	ROW (m)	Dist. of Prop. Optical fiber cable from Centre of NH (m)
RHS - Size of Pipe 150r	nm HDPE ca	sing pipe	
314/298to 315/530	1.232	Varies 17.500 to 24.800	Varies 9.10 to 13.50
LHS - Size of Pipe 150r	nm HDPE ca	sing pipe	
320/478 to 320/750	0.272	Varies 14.000 to 17.500	Varies 6.50 to 8.00
320/750 to 322/617	1.867	Varies 16.50 to30.400	Varies 7.50 to 13.50
RHS - Size of Pipe 150	mm HDPE ca	sing pipe	J
320/750 to320/800	0.050	29.000	Varies 8.50 to 14.50
320/800 to 320/900	0.100	30.100	15.50
320/900 to 320/985	0.085	28.000	14.50
LHS - Size of Pipe 150	mm HDPE ca	asing pipe	
325/865 to 326/340	0.475	Varies 26.000 to 28.500	Varies 9.50 to 14.70
327/760 to 327/865	0.105	Varies 25.000 to 25.100	12.00
Across - Size of Pipe 1	50mm RCC	casing pipe & 40mm PLB pip	e
Km 320/750, Km 322	/617,Km 32	7/865 and Km327/925	

3. The right of way varies from 14.000m -30.400m in the aforesaid stretch. The carriageway width of aforesaid stretch is 14.00m-28.00m. M/s Reliance Jio Infocomm Ltd., Chennai has proposed to lay the Optical fiber cable at the edge of the ROW for a length of 4279m. However, out of the aforesaid length, in 4179m 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 Reliance Jio Infocomm Ltd., Chennai 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 and at acrossings in Km 320/750, Km 322/617,Km 327/865 and Km327/925 the OFC is proposed to lay by HDD method at a depth of 1.65m from the bottom of the road.

4. M/s Reliance Jio Infocomm Ltd., Chennai has furnished an undertaking to the effect that M/s Reliance Jio Infocomm 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 Reliance Jio Infocomm 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

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- 2. The CE, NH Chennai for information

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