No.RW-MD/TN/OFC/Per/NH 234/2011 GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS Chief Engineer cum Regional Office,

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Date: 20.06.2019

Invitation of public comments

Subject: Permission Proposal for laying underground Optical fiber cable along the NH from Km 103/850 to Km 104/350 (LHS), Km117/800 to Km 119/000 (RHS) & Km 124/800 to Km 138/200 (RHS) (Mangalore - Villupuram) for a length of 15100m of NH-234 in the State of Tamil Nadu - Regarding.

The proposal is regarding permission for laying of Optical fiber cable M/s Vindhya Telelinks Ltd, Chennai, Optical fiber cable along the NH from Km 103/850 to Km 104/350 (LHS), Km117/800 to Km 119/000 (RHS) & Km 124/800 to Km 138/200 (RHS) (Mangalore - Villupuram) for a length of 15100m of NH-234 in the State of Tamil Nadu was submitted to this office by the SE, NH, Chennai vide letter No.374/2019/OFC-1/AE-2/NH dated 30.05.2019 (received on 04.06.2019) 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 Vindhya Telelinks Ltd, Chennai, Optical fiber cable along the NH from Km 103/850 to Km 104/350 (LHS), Km117/800 to Km 119/000 (RHS) & Km 124/800 to Km 138/200 (RHS) (Mangalore - Villupuram) of NH-234 in the State of Tamil Nadu i.e. in a length of 15100m 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 - 40 mm dia	PLB Pipe		****
103/850 to Km 104/350	0.500	Varies 21.00 to 25.00	Varies 10.50 to 12.50
RHS - size of pipe - 40 mm dia	PLB Pipe		
Km117/800 to Km 119/000	1.200	Varies 21.00 to 25.00	Varies 10.50 to 12.50
124/800 to Km 138/200	13.400	Varies 21.00 to 25.00	Varies 10.50 to 12.50

- 3. The right of way is Varies 21.00 to 25.00 in the aforesaid stretch. The carriageway width of aforesaid stretch is 10m. M/s Vindhya Telelinks Ltd, Chennai has proposed to lay the Optical fiber cable at the edge of the ROW for a length of 15100m. The entire length of 15100m the Optical fiber cable is proposed to be laid at a distance less than 15m from the center line of the carriageway which is not in conformity with Ministry's guidelines vide letter No. NHIII/P/66/76 dated 19.11.1976. Further, M/s Vindhya Telelinks Ltd, Chennai has given undertaking that the OFC is proposed to lay by *Trenchless Technology* to extent possible for distance less than 15m from the center line of the carriageway at a depth of 1.65m from the bottom of the road.
- 4. M/s Vindhya Telelinks Ltd, Chennai, has furnished an undertaking to the effect that M/s Vindhya Telelinks 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 Vindhya Telelinks 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 Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, C-1-A, Rajaji Bhavan, Besant Nagar, Chennai- 600 090

Encl: As Above.

Yours faithfully,

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

2. The SE, NH, Chennai - for information

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