## No.CE-RO/Chennai/MoRTH/12017/NH-948/07/PER/2020-21 GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS Regional Officer

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## Invitation of public comments

Subject:-Permission Proposal for laying underground Optical fiber cable along the National Highways from Km 286/210 to 286/370 (RHS), Km 292/166 to 301/040 (RHS), Km 314/081 to 314/298 (RHS) and Km 312/992 to 314/081 (LHS) of NH-948 (Dindigul-Bangalore Road) in the state of Tamil Nadu- Reg.

The proposal is regarding permission for laying underground Optical fiber cable for M/s Jio Digital Fibre Pvt Ltd Chennai. The National Highways from Km 286/210 to 286/370 (RHS), Km 292/166 to 301/040 (RHS), Km 314/081 to 314/298 (RHS) and Km 312/992 to 314/081 (LHS) of NH-948 (Dindigul-Bangalore Road) in the state of Tamil Nadu was submitted to this office by the SE, NH, Salem vide letter No.2842/2020/JDO dated 05.02.2021 (received on 15.02.2021) 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.Jio Digital Fibre Pvt Ltd. Chennai. the National Highways from Km 286/210 to 286/370 (RHS), Km 292/166 to 301/040 (RHS), Km 314/081 to 314/298 (RHS) and Km 312/992 to 314/081 (LHS) of NH-948 (Dindigul-Bangalore Road i.e. in a length 10340m as detailed under:

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| Stretch in Km           | Length<br>(Km) | ROW (m)                     | Dist. of Prop. Optical fiber cable from Centre of NH (m) |
| RHS - Size of Pipe 40mn | n PLB Pipe     | & 20mm OFC Cable            |  |
| Km 286/210 to 286/370   | 0.160          | Varies 32.00 to 35.00       | Varies 14.50 to 18.50                                    |
| Km 292/166 to 301/040   | 8.874          | Varies 17.00 to 41.00       | Varies 7.50 to 24.50                                     |
| Km 314/081 to 314/298   | 0.217          | Varies 17.00 to 29.80       | Varies 8.00 to 17.50                                     |
| L                       | HS - Size o    | of Pipe 40mm PLB Pipe & 20n | nm OFC Cable   |
| Km 312/992 to 314/081   |                | Varies 20.00 to 38.00       | Varies 09.50 to 14.50                                    |

3. The right of way 17.00m to 41.00m in the aforesaid stretch. The carriageway width of aforesaid both side stretch is 13.00m to 22.00m. M/s Jio Digital Fibre Pvt Ltd. Chennai has proposed to lay the Optical fiber cable at the edge of the ROW for a length of 10340m. However, out of the aforesaid length, in 8090m 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 Jio Digital Fibre Pvt Ltd. Chennai has mentioned that the OFC line are proposed lay by using Trench method and less than 15metre from the centre line of the road the underground Optical cable is proposed to lay by using Trenchless Method.

- 4. The applicant M/s Jio Digital Fibre Pvt Ltd. Chennai has furnished an undertaking to the effect that M/s Jio Digital Fibre Pvt 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 Jio Digital Fibre Pvt 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;

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

Yours Sincerely,

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

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

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