MINUTES OF THE MEETING WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF NHIDCL AND MOBILE/INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDERS REGARDING INTERNET CONNECTIVITY HELD IN DEPUTY COMMISSIONER'S CONFERENCE HALL ON 03.06.2021 AT 3:00 PM

Khawzawl, the 4th June, 2021

The meeting was chaired by Pu Zothanmawia, Deputy Commissioner, Khawzawl District. List of attendees is appended.

At the outset, the Chairman welcomed the members and apprised them that the meeting was convened to discuss actions to be taken in order to maintain good internet speed in Khawzawl District during the ongoing College/University evensemester examination, in light of reports that mobile and internet cables are being damaged by Seling – Champhai NH-6 widening work.

Reports and deliberations followed as:

1. Mr. Lalremruatthanga, SDE(G), BSNL reported that the company's underground cables along Seling-Khawzawl road was discontinued in 2012 and has remained unused. Therefore, the company is not affected by the road construction/widening work carried out by NHIDCL contractors (Anusha Projects Private Limited) as far as Khawzawl District is concerned.

He also gave a brief report of the ongoing effort by BSNL to enable Landline connection and broadband internet connectivity in Khawzawl District by building Champhai to Khawzawl line. According to his report, most of the machineries and equipments are in place, with only confirmation of Line of Sight (LoS) availability still pending for completion of the project.

2. Mr. Robert Lalruatpuia, representative of Netsurf, a private Internet broadband provider, reported that they are still relying on Satellite signal for providing internet in Khawzawl and hence not directly affected by NH-6 widening work. However, they would be indirectly affected by any damages to the company's overhead cables which are used by Champhai office to provide internet in Champhai area. This is because such damages would result in the Satellite signal being shared by both Khawzawl and Champhai offices, reducing the available bandwidth which would in effect slows down the internet speed.

The meeting was informed by Mr. Robert Lalruatpuia that recent blasting of rocks by NHIDCL contractor caused temporary damage to the company's overhead cables, resulting in a slower internet speed in Khawzawl for a few hours on 02.06.2021.

3. Mr. Suraj Kumar, General Manager (Projects), NHIDCL, PMU-Seling informed the meeting that before the start of Seling – Champhai road widening project, all Telecom providers were informed and also given ample time to shift the poles, cables etc. in the vicinity. He also informed the meeting that NHIDCL contractors have been informed to halt work in areas where there is risk of damaging cables, poles and other telecom infrastructure, especially during the College/University Examination. 4. The meeting also discussed about continuation of work by Anusha Projects Private Limited (APPL) after recent detection of 8 (eight) Covid-19 positive cases among labourers in APPL camp at Zaupui. Dulte (prior to and following random testing of the labourers on 02.06.2021). Currently, declared Containment Zone and area has been as the construction/widening work by Anusha Projects Pvt. Ltd. is kept on hold.

The meeting was informed that all the 8 (eight) Covid-19 positive patients have been admitted to Covid Care Centres in Khawzawl, and all their primary contacts have also been quarantined in the camp.

Based on the above reports and deliberations, the following decisions were made:

1. NHIDCL representatives shall inform their contractors working on NH-6 widening to refrain from performing blasting operations during the College/University exams, as flying debris from such blasts could cause damages to overhead cables used by mobile/internet providers in Khawzawl.

(Action: NHIDCL representatives)

2. Regarding the situation at APPL camp in Zaupui, Dulte, work can be resumed by those who tested negative for Covid-19 and had no contact with the eight Covid-19 positive patients. Work should be carried out without any interaction with locals from Dulte or other nearby villages.

Deputy Commissioner's office shall check with Chairman, Dulte Village Level Task Force before details of the Order for resumption of work is finalized.

(Action: DC, Khawzawl)

The meeting ended with thanks to and from the Chair.

Sd/- ZOTHANMAWIA

Deputy Commissioner Khawzawl District, Khawzawl Khawzawl, the 4th June, 2021

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1. Additional Chief Secretary to the Chief Minister, Mizoram for information.

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2. All members present.

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