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Proceedings of the meeting on the imminent modifications to the online approval process of OFC laying requests

Venue: IPP, Malleswaram

Date and Time: 23-09-2016 at 02:30 pm

Participants

Hon.Commissioner

Special Commissioner (Projects)

CE (OFC Cell)

CE(West)

AEE and AEs (OFC Cell)

IT Advisor, BBMP

IT Support - GIS/OFC

Representatives of,

Reliance Jio Infocom Bharti Airtel Ltd

Reliance Infocom Ltd

Atria Convergence Technologies

Vodafone Ltd

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The meeting started by welcoming the participants. The demonstration of the new changes incorporated in the GIS website was given by IT advisor.

- 1. Voluntary disclosure of authorized and unauthorized OFC of all agencies.
 - 1.1. It was informed to the service providers that to facilitate Voluntary disclosure of authorized and unauthorized OFC of all agencies, a layer in OFC/GIS website for each agency has been provided wherein the following will be depicted

Representation	Color	
Authorised subsurface OFC	Green	
Authorised subsurface and laid aboveground OFC	Blue	
Unauthorised subsurface OFC	Red	
Unauthorised aboveground OFC	Orange	
Applied	Brown	

Facility for uploading the same by OFC agencies will roll out by 28-Sep-2016 in OFC/GIS website.

1.2. Once the agencies upload the data on authorized and unauthorized OFC, the submissions will be verified on ground by EE-OFC through random sample survey. Deviations/incorrect submissions found so after above verification will be heavily penalized. Special Commissioner (Projects) informed the participants of a onetime regularization of the unauthorized OFC laid, by levying regular OFC laying charges.

No penalty will be levied for the disclosed unauthorized OFC installations and the service provider agencies will have a time window of 2 weeks to



pay the regularization charges. Upon completion of voluntary disclosure period unauthorized OFC installation detected will be heavily penalized.

- 1.3. Service provider agencies agreed about the process.
- 1.4. Commissioner, BBMP asked all the service provider agencies to submit details of their actual OFC installations indicating different categories within 1 week. Upon further request from the service provider agencies to increase this deadline to 4 weeks it was mutually agreed that by 20-Oct-2016 all voluntary disclosures will be completed.
- 1.5. Commissioner instructed the IT Advisor to make the voluntary disclosure information available online.
- 2. It was brought to the notice of the participants, that the changes proposed to the online OFC laying permission process in consultation with the service providers have been incorporated.
 - 2.1. The geo-tagged photo verification which was earlier mandatory for site inspection will be discontinued.
 - 2.2. The processing of OFC road cutting requests will have following revised work flow.

Steps	Action	Zonal Work Flow		Road Infra Work Flow	
		From	То	From	То
Step 1	Application	OFC agency	CE-OFC	OFC agency	CE-OFC
Step 2	Forward for Opinion	CE-OFC	AE-Zonal	CE-OFC	EE-RI
Step 3	Generate Opinion 1	AE-Zonal	AEE-Zonal	EE-RI	CE-RI
Step 4	Affirm Opinion 1	AEE-Zonal	CE-OFC	CE-RI	CE-OFC
	Demand Note		OFC		OFC
Step 5	processing	CE-OFC	agency	CE-OFC	agency

- 2.3. While Step 3 "Generation of the opinion" will have 7 days duration. Step 4, affirming of opinion will have 3 days duration.
- 2.4. Upon completion of the assigned duration, the application to be automatically forwarded to next step (Step 3 to Step 4 or Step 4 to Step 5 as the case may be) with a comment "Deemed approved since officer in charge has not provided input"; if the opinion has not been generated by the concerned official.
- 2.5. If Step 3 is a deemed approval/bypass, then the officer in charge of Step 4 has the responsibility to ensure generation of opinion. Further, it was informed that the Geo Tagged field verification process is not significantly contributing to the approval process hence to be done away with. In future, the officer in charge of opinion generation to be held responsible for any irregularities if found.



- 2.6. Service provider agencies concurred about the process.
- 2.7. Further Commissioner, BBMP asked the IT team to make the payments online wherein a challan could be generated in the GIS-OFC website and remittance can happen in the banks.
- 3. The Special Commissioner (Projects) asked the OFC companies to provide a data line with dedicated bandwidth to IPP, Malleswaram. Representatives of Reliance Jio, Airtel, TTS assured to revert on the subject.
- 4. The service providers made a representation to consider structured overhead OFC installation. Special Commissioner (Projects) assured to look into the matter upon conclusion of voluntary disclosure process.
- 5. The service providers made a representation to allow regular maintenance tasks in the already laid OFC routes. Special Commissioner (Projects) assured to look into the matter.
- 6. The service providers made a representation that all pending applications may be processed in the new process being implemented. Special Commissioner (Projects) assured to look into the matter upon conclusion of voluntary disclosure process.
- 7. Representatives of Bharti Airtel requested for facility to incorporate the junction boxes in the applications for OFC laying in case of copper cables so that the approvals received in such cases can also reflect all the installations in that stretch. BBMP agreed to make necessary changes.

The meeting was concluded by thanking the participants.

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