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Additional Chief Secretary to Government of Punjab (1) poartment of Industries & Commerce and Information Technology

Sub: Telecommunication (Right of Way) Rules, 2024

My dear Deputy Commissioner,

I would like to drawn your attention towards Telecommunications (Right of Way) Rules, 2024 which have been notified by Government of India read with the Telecommunications Act, 2023.

Further, it is conveyed that the above said RoW Rules will come into force on 01.01.2025 and will supersede the Indian Telegraph Right of Way Rules, 2016 & its amendments and Indian Telegraph (Infrastructure Safety) Rules, 2022.

The Telecommunication (Right of Way) Rules, 2024 prescribe how telecommunication infrastructure, including mobile towers, poles, common duets and conduits to hold cabling, small cells, street furniture, and the like, can be installed over public and private property.

As per Chapter V, Rule 15 of RoW Rules 2024, for installation of Telecom Infrastructure on property other than public property, Public Entity (Govt. Department/Agency) shall not levy any fees, charges, rent, annuity, compensation or require any bank guarantee for establishment, operation and maintenance of telecommunication network in property other than public property. TSPs/IPs shall only submit intimation on online portal with details of building/land to the concerned Department where the establishment of mobile tower or pole is proposed along with structural safety certificate of building by Structural Engineer.

You are therefore requested to kindly go through the Telecommunications (Right of Way) Rules, 2024 and also bring to the notice of new RoW rules to all officers of your department. Also, instructions may be passed to the concerned officers for processing of RoW Applications applied under present State Telecom Guidelines, 2020 by 31.12.2024.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely.

(Tejveer Singh)

All Deputy Commissioners In the State of Punjab