

U.T Administration of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu

Department of Information Technology

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Minutes of the meeting of the Fourth U.T Broadband Committee of the FY 2023-24 held on 21/02/2024 at 11.30 am in the Conference Hall, Secretariat, Nani Daman.

The Fourth meeting of U.T Broadband Committee of the FY 2023-24 was held on 21/02/2024 at 11.30 AM under the chairmanship of Advisor to Hon'ble Administrator, U.T of DNH&DD in the Conference Hall, Secretariat, Kachigam. The following Committee members attended the meeting.

List of participants:

1	Shri Amit Singla, IAS Advisor to the Hon'ble Administrator, DNH&DD	Chairman
2	Shri Ashish Thakker Sr DDG, Gujarat LSA, DoT	Member Convener
3	Shri S. Asker Ali, IAS Secretary, PWD, IT & UD, DNH&DD	Member

Other than the members, the following were also present in the meeting:

1	Shri Ram Kumar	DDG (Rural-2), Gujarat LSA
2	Shri S. Krishna Chaitanya, DANICS	Director (IT), DNH&DD
3	Shri Krishna Kumar. P.K	Assistant Director (IT)
4	Ganpat Patel	AD (Rural), Gujarat LSA
5	Shri J.K Varma	BSNL, Daman
6	Shri Bhupendra Patel	BSNL Valsad
7	Shri Tasnim Chauhan	NE, BBNL
8	Shri Dhaval D Patel	FT(BBNL)
9	Dipakchanfra R. Paniewak	AGM, DNHDDPCI, Torrent Power

2. At the outset, The Director (IT) welcomed the participants and briefed the agenda of the meeting and further, the Sr DDG, DoT presented the agenda items. He presented the status of 4G saturation in DNH&DD. He informed that 16 new sites were identified for the installation of towers. The land has been allocated for all the 16 sites. He also informed that the construction of 7 towers has been completed, the Construction of 6 Towers is in progress, and the remaining 3 sites have some access issue and they required permission form Forest Department to start the work.

It was decided in the meeting that a joint visit to be conducted by DoT along with BSNL, Forest Dept and IT department at site and to resolve the issue immediately and to re-start the work. It was also directed by the Committee that all sites to be completed and be made functional before the date of Election so as to utilise the network availability in all such uncovered areas.

3. The Sr DDG, DoT also presented the status of 5G saturation in DNH&DD. He informed that a total 378 nos (DNH:222, Daman:125, Diu: 31) 5G BTS are installed in DNH&DD.
4. The DDG (Rural-2), DoT, appreciated the timely adoption and notification of addendum of Model Building Bye-laws, 2016 and Right of Way Rules of Govt. of India for the U.T of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu. It will help to enhance the indoor network availability in all buildings and other covered areas and ease the approval process in outdoors.
5. The Committee decided that the new Telecommunications Act will be presented separately in detail in the next U.T Broadband Committee.
6. The Committee decided to propose the common duct policy for the U.T in line with the policy/guidelines of Govt of India for implementation.
7. Sr.DDG, DoT informed that as per Indian Telegraph Infrastructure Safety Rules notified by DoT, intimation through CBuD app before undertaking any excavation is mandatory. He appreciated that at presently 590 Asset Owners and 66 excavators registered in CBuD app in the U.T, however, the call registration in the U.T is comparatively low. He requested to all Department/agencies to mandate the use of CBuD app by issuing necessary directions and to add a clause in tenders that no excavation will be undertaken without intimation through CBuD Mobile App.

It was decided that digging without use of CBuD app would be viewed seriously and directed to conduct a workshop for all concerned departments, asset owners and contractors for mandating and increasing the usage of CBuD App.

8. The DoT informed that the BharatNet is connected to all Panchayats of U.T and the U.T has taken initiatives for FTTH connection in 269 schools. USoF has started BharatNet Udayami (BNU) Scheme, allowing TSPs/ISPs/Private Operators to expand their network and fiber coverage in villages by leveraging the already established BharatNet infrastructure.

It was discussed that present internet service of BSNL in the U.T is not upto the mark especially in govt offices. Sr. DDG, DoT informed that after implementing RING topology as mentioned in amended BharatNet Program, the network services will be as



per its standard. The Committee instructed to provide FTTH connections in schools on priority where presently no connectivity is available with the help of respective Panchayat.

It was also decided to take up the matter in detail in next Broadband Committee meeting.

9. For resolving combined Electric bill issues, the Committee instructed to arrange a meeting with TSPs and Torrent officials.
10. List of villages where polling centres are planned may be intimated to DOT/BSNL for current status of network/connectivity & installation of new BTS for 4G Saturation on priority at these locations.
11. Director (IT) informed that updation work of street furniture on PM GatiShakti Portal is in progress and more than 19588 street furniture of various departments have already been mapped on the portal.

It was decided in the meeting to coordinate with Departments and BISAG to increase the mapping of street furniture and complete the mapping work at the earliest.

12. The meeting ended with a Vote of thanks to the Chair.



Director (IT)
DNH & DD

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All concerned

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