

The Second State Broadband Committee (2nd SBC) meeting was held on 06th January 2022 in the chairmanship of Dr. S.S. Sandhu, Chief Secretary, Government of Uttarakhand. The following officers were present during the meeting:

1. Shri Amit Singh Negi, Secretary, Information and Science Technology Department, Uttarakhand Secretariat.
2. Shri Vinod Kumar Suman, Secretary (Incharge), General Administrative Department, Uttarakhand Secretariat.
3. Shri Abhinav Kumar Verma, ADG, Department of Telecommunication, Government of India.
4. Shri Deepak, DDG (Rural), Department of Telecommunication, Government of India.
5. Shri Sanjeev Agarwal, Department of Telecommunication, Government of India.
6. Shri S. P. Singh, Dy. Secretary,
7. Shri Manish Kumar Upreti, Finance Controller, ITDA, Dehradun.
8. Rajendra Tanksale, Sr. TM, ITDA, Dehradun.
9. Shri Alok Tomar, Sr. PM, ITDA, Dehradun.
10. Shri Harjeet Singh, GM-DIPA.
11. Shri S.K. Lakhera, Sr. GM (Project), BBNL
12. Shri Mahesh Singh Nikhupa, State Head BBNL
13. Shri Alok Jaimal, BBNL
14. Shri Pankaj Porwal, BSNL, Uttarakhand
15. Shri Vijay Kumar, Department of Telecommunication, Government of India.
16. Shri SBS Tormar, Department of Telecommunication, Government of India.
17. Shri Narendra Nautiyal, AGM, BSNL, Government of India.
18. Shri P. K. Sharma, BSNL, Government of India.

The following decisions were taken after due deliberations /discussions.

- 1) The CS, Govt.of Uttarakhand emphasized that this mission is very important for the state. He suggested that State Broadband Committee meeting be held regularly & if need arises, it could be held even before a quarter.
- 2) The CS, Govt.of Uttarakhand suggested for third party verification of broadband coverage in all villages/Important locations in the State may be done to objectively assess the status of broadband coverage.
- 3) The CS, Govt.of Uttarakhand enquired about the present progress of installation of Towers, fiberization of Mobile towers in the State. He also remarked about the shortfall in number of towers in respect to annual implementation plan of NBM.
- 4) For Master Data Base creation, he suggested that DoT may design a portal so that data could be uploaded online by respective units of State more efficiently. Till the time, for Master Data Base creation, he instructed to issue reminders to State level Nodal officers (CDOs) of all the districts. DDG, DoT requested that the Peyjal Nigam may verify the mapping done by DoT unit and provide census code for remaining 5% Hamlets for which the chair consented.
- 5) Regarding Deemed Approval Clause, It was elaborated that Govt. of Uttarakhand would incorporate the deemed approval clause and when given the GO copies of the State of UP by DDG, DOT, GOI; the chair also consented to include the deemed clause of 45 days in Uttarakhand state RoW policy. Besides above, the Integration of state RoW portal with centralized RoW portal would also be done as per the timelines fixed by DOT.

- 6) The CS, Govt. of Uttarakhand directed to upload all pending offline RoW applications in the "offline module" of RoW portal. In addition to these, pending issues may be entered in Unnati Portal for proper monitoring in a transparent way. For payment related issue on RoW portal, it has been decided that respective departmental link may be updated in portal for online payment purpose.
- 7) Implementation of Uniform By-laws by all State agencies in accordance to the Uttarakhand RoW policy-Secretary IT informed that the necessary provisions are being made in the Building bylaws in accordance to Uttarakhand RoW Policy. The matter is again referred to secretary Department of Housing, Govt. of Uttarakhand for issuing necessary guidelines as he was not present in the meeting.
- 8) Regarding pending GPs under BharatNet Phase-1, GM BSNL intimated that work is in progress for Overhead OFC laying for 277 GPs of BharatNet Phase -1 project and work is expected to be completed by April 2022.
- 9) The CS, Govt. of Uttarakhand instructed for conducting regular DTC (District Telecom Committee)/STC (State Telecom Committee) meetings. In addition, issues may also be uploaded in Unnati portal.
- 10) Blanket ROW approval to BBNL
- 11) for BharatNet project: The CS, Govt. of Uttarakhand mentioned to look into this issue, although he mentioned that the prior intimation should be given to the concerned agency and provision to be made to grant time bound permission (7-10 Days) by concerned agency.
- 12) Regarding BBNL concern on GP building condition - The Secretary IT, Govt. of Uttarakhand instructed to BBNL to provide the list of such buildings. State will ensure taking necessary measure to address the concern
- 13) Dig Once Policy: The DDG, DOT once again requested to the committee chair for the Implementation of Dig Once policy for all the new state/district highways with provision of Duct in these as per the provisions done in the smart city project. The CS, Govt. of Uttarakhand directed to include the Dig Once Policy in respective State Government departmental policy.
- 14) National Building Code 2016 Issue-Secretary IT intimated that NBC will be examined (Part eight section 6 of NBC-2016)
- 15) EB Issues: Secy-IT asked for list of pending EB connections and the list was provided. Further TSPs/IPs were requested to apply Online and related issues may be uploaded in Unnati portal as well. The CS, Govt. of Uttarakhand also instructed that Secretary Energy Govt. of UK to be included as special invitee member of SBC.
- 16) Development of APP (Mobile/Web) for verification of coverage status/Speed of internet in dynamic way:-The CS, Govt. of Uttarakhand reiterated that this activity required funding from Central Government.
- 17) Digital Map of Uttarakhand with village boundaries as well as the identification of left out habitations: The CS, Govt. of Uttarakhand suggested to contact Secretary Revenue regarding this issue. The CS, Govt. of Uttarakhand also instructed to include Secretary Revenue Govt. of Uttarakhand as special invitee member of SBC.

The meeting ended with thanks to chair.

(Amit Singh Negi)
Secretary

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4. O/o DDG, (State Coordinator), Uttarakhand, Meity, Govt. of India.
5. Director, ITDA, Dehradun
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Signed by Amit Singh Negi

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