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BHARAT SANCHAR NIGAM LIMITED
(A Govt. of India Enterprise)

F. No. CNNCO-12/18/13/2021-EB-I

Date: 24.03.2022

To,

The CGMTs,

All Territorial Telecom Circles/ Metro Districts Chennai and Kolkata.

Sub: **Extension of NKN connectivity to the universities under NMEICT Project upto 31st March, 2023** -reg.

- Ref: 1. This office letter no. 8-361/ EB NCR-I/2020/NTR/NMEICT dated 22.03.2021 (copy available at BSNL Intranet under NORTH (MNTC) on 23.03.2021)
2. This office letter no. CNNCO-12/18/13/2021-EB-I dated 26.06.2021 (copy available at BSNL Intranet under NORTH (MNTC) on 26.06.2021)
3. This office letter no. CNNCO-12/18/13/2021-EB-I dated 01.10.2021 (copy available at BSNL Intranet under NORTH (MNTC) on 01.10.2021)
4. This office letter no. CNNCO-12/18/13/2021-EB-I dated 31.12.2021 (copy available at BSNL Intranet under NORTH (MNTC) on 31.12.2021).
5. Letter no.16-8/2016-TEL dated 07.03.2022 from Ministry of Education (MoE) regarding Extension of NKN Connectivity under NMEICT (Copy enclosed)

This has reference to this office letters dated 22.03.2021, 26.06.2021, 01.10.2021 and 31.12.2021 cited under Ref. 1 to 4 vide which instructions / clarifications were issued to the BSNL Circles / Field Units regarding NKN connectivity to the Universities under **NMEICT Project** and its extension upto 31st March, 2022.

Now, MoE vide letter dated 07.03.2022 under **Ref. (5)** has informed the subsequent extension of the project upto **31st March, 2023**.

In view of the extension received from MoE as well as various queries received from field units by this office¹, the following instructions / clarifications are hereby issued which are in addition to the instructions / clarifications issued vide letter dated 22.03.2021 (Ref.1):

- (1) The NKN connectivity to the Universities under NMEICT project is extended upto 31.03.2023.
- (2) The details of the universities were already mentioned in the letter dated 22.03.2021 (Ref 1).
- (3) Discrepancies, if any, in the data (like Date of commissioning, LCID, Distance slab, closed link with reasons as well as date of closure etc.) may please be intimated to this office latest by 31.03.2022.

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- (4) Based upon the details received from the respective BSNL Circles for period upto 31.03.2022, EB NCR-I shall submit the proposal to MoE for payment of MoE share of charges for FY 2022-23.
- (5) The details may please be sent to the below mentioned Officer of EB NCR-1:-
Name:- Smt Deepmala Kothari,
Desig.:- JTO(CRM), EB NCR-I
Mob No.:- 9868113140
Email id:- deepmala@bsnl.co.in
- (6) Field units are requested to complete the migration of links in CDR system positively by 31.03.2022 and provide the LCIDs of the links for such cases in which LCIDs are not mentioned in the list of Universities enclosed with the letter dated 22.03.2021 (Ref 1) on the email id of the above mentioned officer.
- (7) It is entirely the responsibility of the concerned field units to ensure that all the Universities where NMEICT connectivity have been provided are being billed as per defined tariff.
- (8) Field units are requested to take utmost care for correctness of invoices in order to avoid undercharging / overcharging / dispute of payment with the end customer.
- (9) The links for which 10 years of the services have already been completed by 31.03.2022, the concerned field units are requested to raise the advance bills (for FY 2022-23) of the links (for MoE share as well as for University Share) based upon the annual tariff mentioned against the respective link in the letter dated 22.03.2021(Ref 1).
- (10) The links for which 10 years are going to be completed in FY 2022-23, the billing should be done on pro-rata basis for the remaining period only.
- (11) In accordance with the proposal provided to the MoE vide this office letter dated 02.02.2021, it is hereby informed that the MoE share of payment (75% / 90% as the case may be) has been received in CN Tx-N Circle for period upto 31.03.2022.
- (12) Accordingly, BSNL Circles are advised to contact the concerned Account officer in CN TX North Circle in respect of payment received from MoE (i.e. MoE share 75% / 90%) in CN-Tx-N Circle or for any ATC related queries. The details of concerned Account officer are as below:
Name:- Shri Ashish Agarwal,
Desig.:- AO (TR), O/o GM (F), CN-Tx-N Circle
Mob No.:- 9451307460
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(13) In order to bring more clarity and to mitigate the day to day queries being received by this office from BSNL field units regarding the difference among **NMEICT Project**, **NKN Project** and **NKN Connectivity on self-fund basis**, it is worth to mention here that above mentioned three projects/cases are different therefore, time to time separate instructions are being issued by EB NCR-I for these projects. Further, salient points of differences are mentioned as below:

Project / Details	NMEICT Project	NKN Project	NKN Connectivity on self-fund basis
Nodal Ministry	Ministry of Education (MoE)	Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY)	Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY)
Payment Structure	Partial bandwidth charges payment by MoE (75% /90%) and partial by the concerned University (25% / 10%)	100% of bandwidth charges is being paid centrally by NKN.	100% of bandwidth charges is to be paid by concerned organisation / institute
Recent Instructions from EB NCR-I	Letter mentioned in Ref(1), (2),(3) and (4)	Letter No. CNNCO-12/18/3/2021-EB-I-Part(3) dated 19.04.2021 (copy available on BSNL Intranet under NORTH(MNTC) on 20.04.2021	Letter No. CNNCO-12/13/1/2021-EB-I dated 18.12.2021 (copy available on BSNL Intranet under NORTH(MNTC) on 20.12.2021

(14) In respect of the issues faced by field units in realization of payment from some Universities, MoE vide letter dated 07.03.2022 under **Ref. (5)** has directed the Universities for payment of their share of Service charges to BSNL.

However, MoE has requested BSNL to circulate the above mentioned letter to the concerned University.

Hence, field units are requested to provide a copy of the above mentioned letter dated 07.03.2022 to the concerned Universities. In case of any issue, the University may be requested to approach the following officers / consultant of MoE:

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- (i) **Name:** Smt. Pushpa Gautam,
Design: Under Secretary (TEL), D/o HE, MoE, New Delhi.
Ph.: 011-23385459,
Email Id: pushpa.gautam70@nic.in
- (ii) **Name:** Shri Amit Sharma,
Design: Consultant, NMEICT Project, MoE, New Delhi
Ph.: 011-23389093,
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Field units are requested to continue the services and take necessary action including billing (University portion as well as MoE portion) of the links in accordance with the instructions conveyed vide letter dated 22-03-2021 under Ref. (1) as well as issued vide this letter (copy also available on BSNL Intranet under NORTH (MNTC)) for period upto 31st March, 2023.

This is issued with approval of competent authority.

Encl: As above.


(Rajdeep)

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- Copy to:** (1) GM (EB-I), BSNL CO for kind information please.
(2) GM (F), O/o CGM (CN-Tx North), New Delhi.
(3) GM (TP), STP Hyderabad.
(4) Smt. Pushpa Gautam, Under Secretary (TEL), D/o HE, MoE, New Delhi.

F. No. 16-8/2016-TEL
Government of India
Ministry of Education
Department of Higher Education
(TEL Section)

408-C, Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi
Dated: 07.03.2022

To

Shri M.W KAzmi
PGM (EB NCR-I)
Bharath Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL)
Kidwai Bhawan, Janpath
New Delhi – 110001

Subject: Extension of NKN Connectivity under NMEICT – reg.

Sir,

Please refer to your letter no CNNCO-12/18/13/2021-EB-I dated 03.02.2022 regarding issuance of Instruction to the Universities for payment of University share.

2. It is stated that in NKN Project under NMEICT and by MeitY, 1 Gbps NKN connectivity has been given to 601 universities/higher educational institutes on cost sharing basis of 75:25 and 90:10 (for NER states) ratio. This project was started in the year 2009 with 10 years duration for NKN connectivity, which was ended in December 2019, which was further extended till 31.03.2022.

EFC/Cabinet has approved the NMEICT Phase-III for further five (5) years i.e. from 2021-22 to 2025-26. NKN is also a part of NMEICT Phase-III and all the existing institutions having the NKN connectivity would be provided the connectivity.

3. However, NKN is a product of MeitY and they are working to bring next phase of NKN. In the meantime MeitY has extended existing NKN till 31.03.2023.

4. In view of above, it is requested to inform all university/institutions which have given NKN connectivity under NMEICT that same has been extended till 31.03.2023 with existing terms and conditions. The new rates would be lesser and HEIs may pay their share to BSNL accordingly.

5. This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

Pushpa
7/3/22

(Pushpa Gautam)
Under Secretary (TEL)

To

All Concerned Universities.