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GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA  
ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT

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No. 3486 /E&IT,  
PT2-EIT-SCH-I-SCHMIT -0011-2016

Bhubaneswar  
Dated 19.08.2023

From

Sri Manas Ranjan Panda,  
Special Secretary to Government.

To

All Departments  
All Districts  
All Municipal Commissioners

**Sub-Mandatory use of "Call Before You Dig (CBuD)" mobile app by all departments/HoDs/ULBs**

Sir/ Madam,

I am to say that, Hon'ble Prime Minister launched 'Call Before u Dig' (CBuD) Mobile Application on 22nd March 2023, to prevent damage to underground assets viz. Optical Fibre Cable (OFC), Electricity Cables, Water pipeline, Sewerage pipeline, Gas/Petroleum pipeline, roads, etc. during digging for developmental works. As per the status report received from Department of Telecommunications, Ministry of Communications, Government of India (copy enclosed) the utilization of CBuD App in Odisha is very meagre and enquiries are not raised regularly by excavators/project in-charge resulting in extensive damages to the existing underground infrastructure like Optical Fibre Cable (OFC). Government of Odisha has already published a Notification to this effect which is enclosed for your reference. For more effective use of the CBuD App, States are requested to issue necessary instruction to all departments and ULBs-

- To mandate use of CBuD for all excavators prior to any type of excavation/digging.
- All departments to include a clause for mandatory use of CBuD in their contracts for the vendors.
- Excavation permission issuing authorities to include clause for mandatory use of CBuD in permission letter

It is, therefore, requested to kindly issue necessary instructions to the subordinate offices/organizations/agencies to adhere the points indicated above in order to protect underground assets under your jurisdiction by mandating the use of CBuD Mobile App prior to any type of digging/excavation.

Please treat it as **MOST URGENT**.

Yours faithfully



Special Secretary to Government

Memo No. 3487 /E&IT

Dated 19.08.2023

Copy forwarded to Sri Bijoyananda Mishra, Technical Advisor (Telecom), OCAC for his kind information and necessary action.



Under Secretary to Government



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महानिदेशक दूरसंचार  
S.K. Jain. I.T.S.  
Director General Telecom

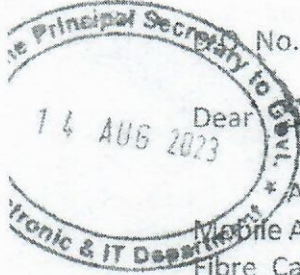


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MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS  
DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS

No. 3-1/2022-NBM

Pr. Secretary, E&IT

31<sup>st</sup> July, 2023



Dear Shri Jena,

*This is important  
we must notify  
everyone*

Chief Secretary  
Odisha

\* As you are aware that Hon'ble Prime Minister launched 'Call Before u Dig' (CBuD) Mobile Application on 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2023, to prevent damage to underground assets viz. Optical Fibre Cable (OFC), Electricity Cables, Water pipeline, Sewerage pipeline, Gas/ Petroleum pipeline, roads, etc. during digging for developmental works.

2. I am enclosing a status report of the asset owner users configured, excavators registered and the utilization of CBuD App by various stakeholders (i.e., enquiries raised in CBuD App). The efforts of State/ UTs in onboarding infrastructure departments and configuration of utility asset owner users onto CBuD App are much appreciated.

3. It had been requested to all States/ UTs that all agencies (Government or private) intending to carry out excavation need to be mandated to carry out any type of excavation/ digging only after prior intimation through CBuD App. However, it may be observed from the enclosed status report that the utilisation of CBuD App in some of the States/ UTs is very minimal and enquiries are not raised regularly by excavators/ project in-charge resulting in extensive damages to the existing underground infrastructure like Optical Fibre Cable.

4. It may be appreciated that if timely enquiries are raised in CBuD for any type of excavation, the owners of utility assets after receiving notifications can take measures to safeguard the assets/ cables.

5. To protect the underground assets of various departments, the States are requested to take steps for more effective utilization of CBuD App. it is requested that:

- (a) All departments/ municipal corporations to mandate use of CBuD for all excavators prior to any type of excavation/ digging.
- (b) All departments to include a clause for mandatory use of CBuD in their contracts for the vendors.
- (c) Excavation permission issuing authorities to include clause for mandatory use of CBuD in permission letter.

This will help a long way in protecting the underground utility assets.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

*(S.K. Jain)*

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Shri Pradeep Kumar Jena  
Chief Secretary,  
Government of Odisha,  
Bhubaneswar.

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## Annexure

## Call Before u Dig (CBuD) Status as on 24 July 2023

Sr.No	State Name	No of Districts	State Agency Asset Owner User	Central agency Asset Owner User	Excavators Registered	Enquiries	Average Enquiries per District	Enquiries per excavator registered
1	Gujarat	33	1576	425	2020	1471	44.58	0.73
2	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	3	25	30	65	66	22.00	1.02
3	Assam	35	234	257	748	526	15.03	0.70
4	West Bengal	23	935	563	210	206	8.96	0.98
5	Rajasthan	33	1262	265	2197	277	8.39	0.13
6	Kerala	14	219	125	103	92	6.57	0.89
7	Chandigarh	1	41	23	28	6	6.00	0.21
8	Puducherry	4	61	27	20	21	5.25	1.05
9	Andaman & Nicobar	3	335	23	14	11	3.67	0.79
10	Madhya Pradesh	52	1859	654	462	176	3.38	0.38
11	Punjab	23	1045	189	141	76	3.30	0.54
12	Chhattisgarh	33	715	271	249	105	3.18	0.42
13	Himachal Pradesh	12	180	154	57	31	2.58	0.54
14	Karnataka	31	6348	375	210	71	2.29	0.34
15	Uttarakhand	13	906	111	88	25	1.92	0.28
16	Jammu And Kashmir	20	375	175	70	37	1.85	0.53
17	Maharashtra	36	2568	614	436	59	1.64	0.14
18	Bihar	38	3693	345	704	60	1.58	0.09
19	Jharkhand	24	330	295	94	32	1.33	0.34
20	Andhra Pradesh	26	2603	305	100	30	1.15	0.30
21	Delhi	11	182	295	135	12	1.09	0.09
22	Ladakh	2	80	21	10	2	1.00	0.20
23	Lakshadweep	1	14	10	2	1	1.00	0.50
24	Tamil Nadu	38	956	330	117	34	0.89	0.29
25	Haryana	22	951	263	278	17	0.77	0.06
26	Telangana	33	1925	373	65	21	0.64	0.32
27	Uttar Pradesh	75	2853	721	329	46	0.61	0.14
28	Odisha	30	391	236	92	18	0.60	0.20
29	Meghalaya	12	97	90	12	5	0.42	0.42
30	Manipur	16	81	98	19	2	0.13	0.11
31	Nagaland	15	41	88	5	1	0.07	0.20
32	Arunachal Pradesh	25	234	93	5	1	0.04	0.20
33	Goa	2	5	36	5	0	0.00	0.00
34	Mizoram	11	78	77	3	0	0.00	0.00
35	Sikkim	6	72	50	4	0	0.00	0.00
36	Tripura	8	95	62	9	0	0.00	0.00
	All India Status	764	33365	8069	9106	3538	4.63	0.39



# GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA

## ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT

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### NOTIFICATION

No 3432 /E&IT Bhubaneswar

PT2-EIT-SCH-I-SCHMIT -0011-2016

Dated 16.08.2023

Pursuant to the D.O. No 3-1/2022-NBM dated 7.2.2023 issued by the Secretary to the Government, Ministry Of Communications, Government of India read with the Gazette Notification issued by the Joint Secretary, Department of Telecommunications, Government of India vide G.S.R No 06 (E) dated. 03.01.2023 (copies attached) in respect of Indian Telegraph (Infrastructure Safety) Rules 2022 (ITIS Rules 2022), all agencies (both private and public) intending to carry out excavation or digging the roads of any nature and for any purpose should give prior intimation to the stakeholders of the State Government in various Departments/Agencies through **Call Before u Dig (CBuD)** Mobile App in order to keep safe the underground/telegraph infrastructure.

#### **Procedure:**

- (i) Any person/agency desiring to dig or excavate in the legal exercise of a right with any property in such a manner as is likely to cause damage to a telegraph infrastructure or to interrupt or interfere with telegraphic communication which has duly placed in accordance with the provision of the Act, shall give notice to licensee through CBuD App, by submitting the information of such digging or excavation, prior to the commencement of digging or excavation.
- (ii) The notice under sub rule (i) shall include the name and address of the person exercising legal right, agency details, contact details, date and time of start of the exercise, description and location of the exercise and the reasons for such digging or excavation.
- (iii) The licensee shall, on submission of notice by the person under sub rule (i), as expeditiously as possible through CBuD App, the details of telegraph infrastructure owned or control or managed by such licensee, falling under or along the property with which the person intends to deal in legal exercise of the right, along with precautionary measures for coordination in avoiding the damages to the telegraph infrastructure.
- (iv) The person exercising legal right to dig or excavate shall take appropriate action or precautionary measures provided by the licensee as per sub rule (3).
- (v) In case no licensee provides details within the prescribed time as per section 19(A) of the Act, the person having legal right to dig or excavate shall be free to dig or excavate the property thereafter.

#### **Damages charges for breach of provisions of the rule:**

- (i) Any person, who in exercise of legal right has dug or has excavated any property in such a manner causing damage to a telegraph infrastructure duly placed in accordance with the provisions of the Act shall be liable to pay damage charges to the telegraph authority;

(ii) The damage charges under sub rule (i) shall be computed based on cost



may be incurred in restoring damages.

This notification will follow the rules and procedure laid down in the Gazette Notification issued by the Department of Telecommunications, Government of India on 03.01.2023 and modifications, if any, in future by the State Government across the state of Odisha. All the Departments to incorporate the same while issuing work orders to agencies (both private and public) intending to carry out excavations. In case of the undergoing excavation works a letter needs to be issued to agencies (both private and public) mandating the use of the **Call Before u Dig "CBuD"** application .

By Orders of Governor

  
(Manas Ranjan Panda)

Special Secretary to Government

Memo No. 3434 /E&IT , dated 16.08.2023

Copy forwarded to the P.S. to Hon'ble Governor/ P.S. to Hon'ble Chief Minister, Odisha/ P.S. to all Ministers, Odisha/ O.S.D to Chief Secretary, Odisha/ P.S. to Secretary to Government, Electronics & IT Department for kind information of Hon'ble Governor/ Hon'ble Chief Minister/ Hon'ble Ministers/ Chief Secretary, Odisha/ Secretary, Electronics & IT Department respectively.

  
16/08/2023

Under Secretary to Government.

Memo No. 3435 - /E&IT , dated 16.08.2023

Copy forwarded to All Departments of Government/ All Heads of Departments/ All RDCs/ All Collectors for information.

  
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Under Secretary to Government.

Memo No. 3436 /E&IT , dated 16.08.2023

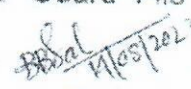
Copy forwarded to the CEO, OCAC for kind information and necessary action.

  
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Under Secretary to Government.

Memo No. 3437 /E&IT , dated 16.08.2023

Copy forwarded All Sections of Electronics & IT Department/ Guard File (5 copies) for information.

  
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Under Secretary to Government.

Memo No. 3438 /E&IT, dated 16.08.2023

Copy forwarded to the Director of Printing, Stationary and Publication, Odisha, Cuttack with a request to kindly publish the Notification in the extra ordinary issue of the Odisha Gazette and supply 10 copies to this Department immediately.

*BB*  
14/08/2023  
Under Secretary to Government.

Memo No. 3439 /E&IT, dated 16.08.2023

Copy forwarded to the Odisha Gazette Cell in-charge, Odisha Gazette Cell, C/o Commerce and Transport (Commerce) Department for information with a request to take appropriate action to publish the Notification in the next extraordinary issue of the Odisha Gazette.

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14/08/2023  
Under Secretary to Government.

Memo No. 3440 /E&IT, dated 16.08.2023

Copy forwarded to the Head, State Portal Group, IT Centre, Odisha Secretariat for information and necessary action. He is requested to upload this Notification in the website of Electronics & IT Department for general information.

*BB*  
14/08/2023  
Under Secretary to Government.

