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Sanchar Bhawan, New Delhi - 110001  
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No. 30-252-7/2019-USF(Pt.4)

Dated : 12.09.2022

To,

**M/s Bharti Hexacom Ltd.**  
Airtel Centre, Plot No. 16,  
Udyog Vihar, Phase - IV,  
Gurugram, Haryana - 122 015

**Subject: Amendment in agreement no. 30-252-7/2019-USF dated 04.09.2020 with M/s Bharti Hexacom Limited for Provision of 4G based Mobile Services in identified uncovered villages and along National Highways in Meghalaya - Reg.**

In pursuance of the clause 4.7 of the agreement dated 04.09.2020 (modification in terms and conditions of the agreement) and amendment issued vide letter No. 30-252-7/2020/survey report-USF dated 18.06.2021 and 30-252-7/2019-USF(Pt.4) dated 09.05.2022, the terms and conditions of the captioned agreement are hereby further amended for 63 sites (41+22) to the extent as detailed below:

Existing Clause	Amended Clause
<p><b>Clause 6.5.2 (Section-VI):</b></p> <p>The USP shall complete the field survey for at least 30% of sites in the bidding unit in three months from the date of signing of the agreement, at least another 30% of sites in six months from the date of signing of the agreement and the remaining sites in twelve months from the date of signing of the agreement to finalize location and type of infrastructure (A&amp;B,) at each site. The USP shall commission and provide 4G based mobile</p>	<p><b>Clause 6.5.2 (Section-VI):</b></p> <p>The USP shall complete the field survey for at least 30% of sites in the bidding unit in three months from the date of signing of the agreement, at least another 30% of sites in six months from the date of signing of the agreement and the remaining sites in twelve months from the date of signing of the agreement to finalize location and type of infrastructure (A&amp;B) at each site. The USP shall commission and provide 4G based mobile</p>

Existing Clause	Amended Clause
<p>services from all the infrastructure sites within a period of 24 months from the date of signing of the Agreement.</p>	<p>services from all the infrastructure sites within a period of <b>30 months</b> from the date of signing of the Agreement.</p>
<p><b>Clause-2 (Section-I):</b></p> <p>This Agreement will remain valid for ten (10) years &amp; twenty four months unless revoked earlier for any reason whatsoever. Date of effect of this Agreement shall be the date of signing of the agreement.</p>	<p><b>Clause-2 (Section-I):</b></p> <p>This Agreement will remain valid for ten (10) years &amp; <b>thirty months</b> unless revoked earlier for any reason whatsoever. Date of effect of this Agreement shall be the date of signing of the agreement.</p>
<p><b>Clause-2.2 (ii) (i) {Section-II}:</b></p> <p>Continued Operation and Maintenance of the Mast/Tower and infrastructure created and provision of 4G based mobile services compliant with the terms and conditions of the License Agreement signed with DoT, for a period of 24 months (rollout period) + Ten years from the date of effect of the agreement with USOF.</p>	<p><b>Clause-2.2 (ii) (i) {Section-II}:</b></p> <p>Continued Operation and Maintenance of the Mast/Tower and infrastructure created and provision of 4G based mobile services compliant with the terms and conditions of the License Agreement signed with DoT, for a period of <b>30 months</b> (rollout period) + Ten years from the date of effect of the agreement with USOF.</p>
<p><b>Clause-4.5 {Section-IV}:</b></p> <p>The Agreement shall be valid for a period of 24 months (rollout period) +Ten years from the effective date unless revoked earlier for reasons as specified elsewhere in the document.</p> <p>The subsidy support period and subsidy claim and disbursement schedule is as per Section VII: Financial Conditions of this document. USP shall be responsible for operation and maintenance of the created infrastructure and provision of specified</p>	<p><b>Clause-4.5 {Section-IV}:</b></p> <p>The Agreement shall be valid for a period of <b>30 months</b> (rollout period) + Ten years from the effective date unless revoked earlier for reasons as specified elsewhere in the document.</p> <p>The subsidy support period and subsidy claim and disbursement schedule is as per Section VII: Financial Conditions of this document. USP shall be responsible for operation and maintenance of the created infrastructure and provision of specified</p>

Existing Clause	Amended Clause
services for a period of 24 months (rollout period) + Ten years from the effective date of the agreement and also after the expiry of Agreement period, as the telecom service providers under the license conditions are bound to provide services under the license terms.	services for a period of <b>30 months</b> (rollout period) + Ten years from the effective date of the agreement and also after the expiry of Agreement period, as the telecom service providers under the license conditions are bound to provide services under the license terms.

2. This amendment shall be applicable for only 63 sites (41+22). The list of 22 sites are enclosed with M/s BHL Letter No. RP/FY 22-23/142/119 dated 18.08.2022. The list of 41 sites are enclosed with survey approvals conveyed by this division through three letters issued vide Nos. 30-252-7/2020/SurveyReport-USF(Vol-IV) dated 21.06.2022.

3. This issues with the approval of Competent authority.

**Encl : As Above**

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*12/09/2022*

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No. 30-252-7/2020/SurveyReport-USF(Vol-IV)  
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Sanchar Bhawan, 20, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110 001

Dated: 21.06.2021

To

M/s Bharti Hexacom Ltd.  
Airtel Center, Plot No. 16  
Udyog Vihar, Phase – IV  
Gurugram - 122015

**Subject: USOF Meghalaya Project - Approval of Survey Report (Lot 32).**

- Ref: 1. Agreement No. 30-252-7/2019-USF dated 04.09.2020.  
2. M/s BHL letter No RP/FY 22-23/142/104 dated 27th May, 2022 reg. approval of 5 sites based upon survey carried out in 13 villages.

The undersigned is directed to convey the approval of the Competent Authority for 5 sites submitted as per survey report based upon survey carried out in 13 villages in Meghalaya vide letter referred at (2) above (summary enclosed as Annexure-I).

Encl : As Above



(Rameshwar Dhariwal)  
Director (T-1), USOF

Annexure-I (Lot-32)															
No. 30-252-7/2020/SurveyReport-USF(Vol-IV) dated : 21.06.22															
S.No	USOF Serial Number	Bidding unit ID	District Name	Block Name	Village Name	Census Code	Cluster	Village (As per Agreement)			Site (As per Survey)			Status of Approval of site Survey	Remarks
								Lat	Long	BTS type	Lat	Long	BTS Type Proposed		
1	114	Meghalaya	West Khasi Hills	Mawshynrut	Borkhe	276541	F05	25.655669	90.937268	B	25.633950	90.932820	B	New site approved	
2	118	Meghalaya	West Khasi Hills	Mawshynrut	Lawdap	276533	F09	25.685698	90.978223	B	25.643240	90.964800	B	New site approved	
3	181	Meghalaya	East Garo Hills	Resubelpara	Bangsi Dogru	274737	H250	25.825578	90.743428	B	25.845390	90.725470	B	New site approved	
4	376	Meghalaya	Jaintia Hills	Saipung	Teizol	279570	Q30	25.254096	92.734440	NIL	25.214840	92.764860	A	New site approved	
5	684	Meghalaya	South Garo Hills	Rongara	Warima Konagittim	276313	SINGLE	25.194946	90.871122	A	25.170540	90.897280	A	New site approved	

Note : 2 villages bearing USOF S.No. 182 & 699 submitted in this Lot i.e. Lot-32, will get covered from nearby USOF sites.

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Gurugram - 122015

**Subject: USOF Meghalaya Project - Approval of Survey Report (Lot 34).**

- Ref:** 1. Agreement No. 30-252-7/2019-USF dated 04.09.2020.  
2. M/s BHL letter No RP/FY 22-23/142/105 dated 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2022 reg. approval of 33 sites based upon re-survey carried out in 108 villages (earlier declared as partially covered).

The undersigned is directed to convey the approval of the Competent Authority for installation of new sites in 33 villages submitted as per survey report, based upon re-survey carried out in 108 villages (earlier declared as partially covered) in Meghalaya vide letter referred at (2) above (summary enclosed as Annexure-I).

Encl : As Above



(Rameshwar Dhariwal)  
Director (T-1), USOF

**Annexure-I (Lot-34)**  
**No. 30-252-7/2020/SurveyReport-USF(Vol-IV) Dated : 21.06.2022**

S.N.	USOF S.N.	Bidding Unit	District Name	CD Block Name	Village Code	Village Name	Latitude	Longitude	Cluster No.	Site Latitude	Site Longitude	BTS type Proposed	Status of Approval of site Survey
1	11	Meghalaya	Ribhoi	Umsning	277771	Markhangduba	26.053233	92.225337	A20	26.058830	92.256530	B	Yes
2	144	Meghalaya	East Garo Hills	Songsak	275167	Danang Apal	25.729785	90.483029	G55	25.798570	90.533570	B	Yes
3	166	Meghalaya	West Khasi Hills	Mawshynrut	276391	Weirang	25.802697	91.037754	H03	25.829050	91.054000	B	Yes
4	216	Meghalaya	West Khasi Hills	Nongstoin	276699	Mawiwtep	25.701609	91.390796	J06	25.660630	91.349710	B	Yes
5	237	Meghalaya	West Khasi Hills	Nongstoin	276802	Wahlyngdoh	25.519396	91.194968	K09	25.495720	91.117110	B	Yes
6	241	Meghalaya	Ribhoi	Jirang	277661	Umsaliang	26.008424	91.601737	K30	25.992370	91.625920	B	Yes
7	248	Meghalaya	Ribhoi	Jirang	277700	Rajakhumai	25.831093	91.431942	K70	25.831260	91.430030	B	Yes
8	249	Meghalaya	East Garo Hills	Dambo Rongjeng	274805	Diplokgittim	25.737888	90.882490	K75	25.708450	90.923740	B	Yes
9	318	Meghalaya	South Garo Hills	Chokpot	275521	Anchigre	25.402602	90.373181	N33	25.436450	90.315410	B	Yes
10	369	Meghalaya	East Khasi Hills	Mawsynram	278746	Telsora A	25.221390		Q09	25.179360	91.507580	B	Yes
11	370	Meghalaya	Jaintia Hills	Saipung	279550	Saphak	25.292208	92.734592	Q10	25.319050	92.746970	B	Yes
12	381	Meghalaya	East Khasi Hills	Mawsynram	278671	Lumdiengngan	25.284132	91.555035	R04	25.259840	91.525740	B	Yes
13	384	Meghalaya	East Khasi Hills	Khatarshong Laitkroh	278551	Rngimawsaw	25.424766	91.703638	R06	25.327880	91.675700	B	Yes
14	412	Meghalaya	East Garo Hills	Songsak	275257	Barikgre	25.666616	90.541829	R85	25.706070	90.564000	B	Yes
15	553	Meghalaya	East Garo Hills	Songsak	275271	Koknal Imong	25.658850	90.675288	SINGLE	25.657130	90.720540	B	Yes
16	606	Meghalaya	South Garo Hills	Chokpot	275732	Bakatagre	25.329467	90.299344	SINGLE	25.316360	90.298210	B	Yes
17	665	Meghalaya	South Garo Hills	Rongara	276203	Naweram Asim	25.276424	90.677299	SINGLE	25.242330	90.697980	B	Yes
18	710	Meghalaya	West Khasi Hills	Mawshynrut	276470	Nongumkap	25.756274	91.001730	SINGLE	25.711610	90.964900	B	Yes
19	725	Meghalaya	West Khasi Hills	Mawshynrut	276647	Riangmaw	25.435094	90.885585	SINGLE	25.347280	90.907760	B	Yes
20	796	Meghalaya	West Khasi Hills	Mawthadrishan	276895	Tiehdang	25.577191	91.406054	SINGLE	25.560890	91.423860	B	Yes
21	824	Meghalaya	West Khasi Hills	Mairang	277019	Umsakhlawmyriaw	25.784573	91.569035	SINGLE	25.778040	91.547090	B	Yes

22	993	Meghalaya	East Khasi Hills	Khatarshnong Laitkroh	278506	Mawkalang	25.453321	91.736824	SINGLE	25.400770	91.740680	B	Yes
23	997	Meghalaya	East Khasi Hills	Khatarshnong Laitkroh	278570	Lynsteng	25.385894	91.822227	SINGLE	25.296140	91.805300	B	Yes
24	999	Meghalaya	East Khasi Hills	Mawsynram	278631	Rangsohkham	25.361844	91.611833	SINGLE	25.333640	91.582660	B	Yes
25	1000	Meghalaya	East Khasi Hills	Mawsynram	278644	Thieddieng Nongrim	25.311111	91.599329	SINGLE	25.295990	91.625600	B	Yes
26	1003	Meghalaya	East Khasi Hills	Mawsynram	278672	Phlangwanbr oi	25.258373	91.529627	SINGLE	25.254243	91.496482	B	Yes
27	1008	Meghalaya	East Khasi Hills	Mawsynram	278740	Sanditola	25.149705	91.487306	SINGLE	25.149990	91.503140	B	Yes
28	1009	Meghalaya	East Khasi Hills	Shella Bholaganj	278767	Maweitksar	25.355886	91.738450	SINGLE	25.293290	91.652640	B	Yes
29	1010	Meghalaya	East Khasi Hills	Shella Bholaganj	278872	New Kamorah	25.208716	91.708040	SINGLE	25.175080	91.741240	B	Yes
30	1013	Meghalaya	East Khasi Hills	Pynursla	278972	Mawlyndun	25.287166	91.902910	SINGLE	25.267400	91.898130	B	Yes
31	1059	Meghalaya	East Garo Hills	Songsak	275355	Do bu Chitimbing	25.561863	90.699671	T35	25.547800	90.698070	B	Yes
32	1075	Meghalaya	East Khasi Hills	Mawphlang	278177	Pyndengkah	25.555521	91.740330	U07	25.452940	91.653550	B	Yes
33	1095	Meghalaya	East Khasi Hills	Khatarshnong Laitkroh	278572	Myiong	25.386246	91.845870	W08	25.300910	91.832480	B	Yes



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To

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Airtel Center, Plot No. 16  
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Gurugram - 122015

**Subject: USOF Meghalaya Project - Approval of Survey Report (Lot 35).**

- Ref:**
1. Agreement No. 30-252-7/2019-USF dated 04.09.2020.
  2. M/s BHL letter No RP/FY 22-23/142/106 dated 10th June, 2022 reg. approval of 3 sites based upon re-survey carried out in 33 villages (earlier declared as partially covered).

The undersigned is directed to convey the approval of the Competent Authority for installation of new sites in 3 villages submitted as per survey report, based upon re-survey carried out in 33 villages (earlier declared as partially covered) in Meghalaya vide letter referred at (2) above (summary enclosed as Annexure-I).

Encl : As Above



(Rameshwar Dhariwal)  
Director (T-1), USOF

**Annexure-1 (Lot-35)**  
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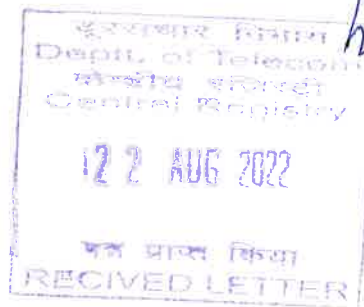
S.N.	As per Agreement										As per Survey		
	USOF S. N.	Bidding Unit	District Name	CD Block Name	Village Code	Village Name	Village Latitude	Village Longitude	Cluster No.	Site Latitude	Site Longitude	BTS type Proposed	Status of Approval of site Survey
1	551	Meghalaya	East Garo Hills	Songsak	275266	Samin Chianing	25.680225	90.663230	SINGLE	25.692910	90.671770	B	New site approved
2	574	Meghalaya	South Garo Hills	Chokpot	275524	Dana Adugiri	25.387955	90.326556	SINGLE	25.425780	90.354430	B	New site approved
3	723	Meghalaya	West Khasi Hills	Mawshynrut	276617	Goreng B	25.473554	90.826443	SINGLE	25.434650	90.763650	B	New site approved

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RP/FY 22-23/142/119  
18<sup>th</sup> August 2022

To,  
**DDG (I-USOF),**  
**Department of Telecommunications,**  
Ministry of Communications,  
Sanchar Bhawan, 20 Ashoka Road,  
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**Sub:** USOF Meghalaya Project – Request for the Extension

**Ref:**

- 1) USOF Agreement No. 30-252-7/2019-USF dated 4<sup>th</sup> September 2020
- 2) Airtel Letter No. RP/FY 21-22/142/104 dated 27<sup>th</sup> March 2022
- 3) Airtel Letter No. RP/FY 21-22/142/095 dated 29<sup>th</sup> March 2022
- 4) Our e-mail dated 10<sup>th</sup> June 2022
- 5) Airtel Letter No. RP/FY 21-22/142/108 dated 24<sup>th</sup> June 2022
- 6) Airtel Letter No. RP/FY 22-23/142/109 dated 1<sup>st</sup> July 2022
- 7) USOF Review meeting held in DoT on 13<sup>th</sup> July 2022
- 8) Airtel Letter No. RP/FY 22-23/142/111 dated 25<sup>th</sup> July 2022
- 9) Airtel Letter No. RP/FY 22-23/142/113 dated 28<sup>th</sup> July 2022
- 10) Airtel Letter No. RP/FY 22-23/142/114 dated 1<sup>st</sup> August 2022

Dear Sir,

M/s Bharti Hexacom Limited ("**BHL**"), vide its earlier representation with respect to the USOF Meghalaya agreement dated 4<sup>th</sup> September 2022, has requested the following.

- Vide our letters dated 29<sup>th</sup> March 2022, 24<sup>th</sup> June 2022, 25<sup>th</sup> July 2022 and e-mail dated 10<sup>th</sup> June 2022, we shared a consolidated list of villages/installations having acquisition/execution challenges, with a request for dropping these villages from the agreement list.
- Vide our letters dated 1<sup>st</sup> July 2022, 28<sup>th</sup> July 2022 and during the review meeting held in DoT on 13<sup>th</sup> July 2022, we have requested to provide a timeline for the execution of additional 41 mobile towers, the survey approval for which was granted on 21<sup>st</sup> June 2022.
- Vide our letter dated 1<sup>st</sup> August 2022, we have requested the further extension of the project timeline up to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023.

Further, basis of our discussion held in your office with respect to the above-submitted representation, and as directed, we are placing the following for your records and consideration of our request for extension.

1. The agreement signed on the 4<sup>th</sup> September 2020 envisaged providing 4G mobile coverage to 1164 villages by installing 878 mobile towers. The Agreement also provided 11 installations along the National Highway for seamless mobile coverage.

2. Basis our survey, the Administration has approved 379 sites (village installations) and 4 sites along the National Highway. This includes additional 41 sites for which approval was very recently granted on the 21<sup>st</sup> June 2022, following clarifications issued by USOF with regard to Coverage validation and our re-survey reports (dated 27<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> May and 10<sup>th</sup> June 2022). The approval did not contain a timeline for the execution of 41 mobile towers, and work for the 41 tower installation is still awaiting notification of a specific project timeline by the Administration.
3. Out of balance 338 approved sites (379-41=338), 317 are currently executable, and 21 have acquisition/execution/operational challenges, which are beyond our control, details of which are given below, and with regard to the Highway installations 3 out of 4 are executable, and 1 site requires Local Administration support for the construction of the tower.
4. Regarding the project status, out of 320 doable sites, infrastructure is ready in as many as 315 sites (villages), electronics installed in 293 sites & integrated in the network and 288 sites are already on-air, carrying traffic and providing coverage to 417 villages.
5. Table below summarizes the complete project scope.

Description	Site Requirement as per Agreement	Approved Site installation	Drop Site (Acq/Dep Issue) - Approval awaited	Final count of site installation	Village Count post Installation	Approved Drop Village	Drop Village - Pending Approval	Final Count of Villages covered	Remarks
Site Installation Recommended - As per Re-survey	31	41	0		41	0	0		Approval Received, however Timeline for execution not yet specified. Our request pending vide our submission RP/FY 22-23/142/109 dated 1st July 2022; RP/FY 22-23/142/113 dated 28th July 2022
Site Planned - as per initial Lot	256	323	6	317	323		6	317	Approved. Drop approval request for 6 sites sent on RP/FY 22-23/142/111 dated 25th July 2022
Acquisition Challenges	4	6	6				6		Sought deletion. Our request for site deletion - vide our letter No. RP/FY 22-23/142/108 is awaited dated 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2022; RP/FY 22-23/142/111 dated 25th July 2022
Operations Challenges	6	8	8				8		
Covered from USO to USO	105				180		10	170	24 approved, balance awaiting approval. Our submission vide RP/FY 22-23/142/107 dated 21 <sup>st</sup> June 22
Covered from existing TSP	461					588			214 Approved, Balance referred to LSA & awaited approval, vide our submission RP/FY 22-23/142/103 dated 16 <sup>th</sup> May 2022
State border dispute	4					5			Approved
Challenging site (Pop Migrated/ same village/ not found)	7					9			Approved
Forest land	1	1	1				1		Sought deletion. Our request for site deletion, vide our letter No. RP/FY 22-23/142/108 is awaited dated 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2022; RP/FY 22-23/109 dated 25th July 2022
Non-Accessible Site	1						1		Have sought deletion vide our submissions - letter No. RP/FY 22-23/142/104 dated 27 <sup>th</sup> May 2022 and RP/FY 22-23/142/118 dated 18 <sup>th</sup> August 2022
Population Migration	1						1		
Village Not Found	1						1		
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>878</b>	<b>379</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>544</b>	<b>602</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>487</b>	
Highway	11	4	1	3	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Sought deletion of one site – in Forest Land/Dispute. Our request for site deletion, vide our letter No. RP/FY 22-23/142/108 is awaited dated 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2022; RP/FY 22-23/142/111 dated 25th July 2022

6. 21 sites (village installations) & one Highway site, as stated in para 3 are presently not doable, within the given execution timeline, due to acquisition / deployment challenge and for reasons beyond our control, in spite of our sincere efforts in this regard. These are highlighted below:
  - a. 8 sites have access issues – There are no access roads to these villages where tower is proposed for installation. Construction of tower and subsequent maintenance of the site would not be feasible as of present. USOF is aware of this issue and has taken up the matter with the State Administration and in the recent PMG meeting held on the 14<sup>th</sup> of June 2022, the State Administration has assured resolution by September 2022.
  - b. In 6 Villages, the villagers do not want tower installations in their villages and have denied NoC for the construction of 6 sites in these villages – USOF has taken up the matter with State Administration during the recently held PMG meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2022, who have informed that these would be resolved by August end.
  - c. Two sites are falling in Forest Land (one village and one along National Highway) – Our requirement is registered in Parivesh portal of Gol and their permission for tower installation is not yet forthcoming.
  - d. Asides, there are 6 additional sites which are having deployment challenges – Villages in which these 6 sites are planned to be installed have recently become inaccessible during recent monsoon rains. Tower installation will only be feasible once the access is restored.
  
7. The timeline presently granted for the completion of the project by the Administration is 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2022, is not sufficient for the completion of the project in the absence of approval/resolution of issues for about 22 sites.
  - a. We are confident that we will be able to complete all doable 320 sites within the agreement timeline.
  - b. We will not be able to initiate any steps towards the installation of 22 sites (stated in para 6 above) since the approval / resolution by the State Administration is only expected towards the end of September 2022 or may not at all be forthcoming.
  - c. As stated earlier, State Administration is seized of the issues highlighted in para 6 above; these have also been uploaded in the PMG portal. During the recently held PMG meeting chaired by the Secretary, PMG committee, Govt. of India, and participated by the USOF / LSA Officials, we were given the assurance of resolution issues latest by the end of September 2022.
  - d. State Administration, in the meanwhile, vide its letter dated 18<sup>th</sup> August 2022, has recommended dropping of mobile tower installations in four locations (USOF Serial Nos. 28, 310, 836 and 838) due to no resolution to the issues. In addition, the communication also states resolution in village at USOF Serial No. 889. Copy of the communication is included with this submission.
  - e. Even if approval is received by the time prescribed by the State Administration, their installation and commissioning will go well beyond the specified closure date and will take at least 6 months post all the government approvals.
  - f. Moreover, recent heavy monsoon rains have made the last three months virtually unproductive both from execution and follow-up perspectives.

- g. 41 sites mentioned in the Table above, which were recently approved on the 21<sup>st</sup> June 2022, would require a separate timeline and instructions to this effect are awaited from the USOF end. In our representation dated 1<sup>st</sup> July and 28<sup>th</sup> July 2022, we had requested Administration for granting us a timeline of 18 months effective December 2021 onwards for the execution of the newly approved mobile tower installations, i.e. upto 9<sup>th</sup> June 2023. More than two months have elapsed since the approval of installation was granted, its execution timeline has still not been specified.

In view of the above, we request the Administration the following:

- **Extension of timeline for project execution for 22 sites mentioned in para 6 until 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023.**
- **Alternatively, if an extension is not forthcoming for 22 sites mentioned in para 6, request USOF for dropping these 22 sites from the scope of the Agreement.**
- **The timeline for executing 41 newly approved tower installations, upto 9<sup>th</sup> June 2023, may also kindly be intimated at the earliest. If an extension is not forthcoming, request USOF to drop these 41 site installations as well from the scope of the Agreement.**

We are hoping the above will merit your favourable consideration.

Thanking you,

Yours Sincerely  
for **Bharti Hexacom Limited**



Tarun Chitkara  
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Annexure 1																				
As per Agreement										As per USOF Approval										
S.No.	USOF Sr. No.	Airtel Site Id	District Name	New District	Sub District Name	CD Block Name	Village Code	Village Name	Cluster No	eNode B location	Site Type	Survey Completed	Already/sub mitted/Do T(Lot)	Date of submission	Approved BIS Type	Survey Approval Date	Approved Latitude	Approved Longitude	Village name as per Survey/Acquisition	Site Acquisition/Deployment Issues
1	367	UML184	East Khasi Hills	East Khasi Hills	Mawsynram	Mawsynram	278702	Umphiang	007		NIL	19-Dec-20	Lot19	13-May-21	B	10-Jun-21	25.1951	91.42676	Umphiang	1) Connecting road eroded by river due to the change of river course and high water stream after acquisition. 2) Ferry facility is also not available. 3) Execution and operations not feasible.
2	417	UMI209	Jaintia Hills	West Jaintia Hills	Ambaram	Ambaram	279384	Kamsing	S30		NIL	12-Nov-20	Lot4/Lot21	26-May-21	B	10-Jun-21	25.13187	92.20448	Kamsing	1) There is water stream in between. Site not accessible during monsoon (between April and October) every year. 2) Moreover, villagers not interested for mobile tower installation 3) Execution and operations not feasible
3	579	UMG400	South Garo Hills	South Garo Hills	Chokpot	Chokpot	275552	Ruabanggegriri	SINGLE	Ruabanggegriri	A	15-Apr-21	Lot19	13-May-21	B	10-Jun-21	25.42498	90.39751	Ruabanggegriri	1) Operationally not feasible as 12 kms approachable by foot. There is also water stream in between. Site not accessible during monsoon (between April and October) every year. 2) Execution and operations not feasible
4	672	UMG483	South Garo Hills	South Garo Hills	Rongara	Rongara	276242	Kosigiri	SINGLE	Kosigiri	A	26-Dec-20	Lot17	7-May-21	B	10-Jun-21	25.21075	90.83859	Kosigiri	1. Site is operationally not feasible. 5 km headload (walkable road) to site only. No access to site during monsoon season. 2. Execution and operations not feasible.
5	836	UMG831	West Khasi Hills	South West Khasi Hills	Ranikor	Ranikor	277135	Sooling	SINGLE	Sooling	A	22-Jan-21	Lot17	7-May-21	B	10-Jun-21	25.24503	90.97002	Sooling	1. Site is operationally not feasible. 5 km headload (walkable road) to site. Also to reach headload point only kucha muddy road is available. No access to site during monsoon season and rains. 2. Execution and operations not feasible.
6	837	UMG832	West Khasi Hills	South West Khasi Hills	Ranikor	Ranikor	277136	Umtongkut	SINGLE	Umtongkut	A	21-Feb-21	Lot17	7-May-21	B	10-Jun-21	25.30538	90.93326	Umtongkut	1. Access issue, unable to reach from Ranikor side due road damaged and tried from Salang side. River crossing required from Salang side. Site is Operationally non feasible. 2. Execution and operations not feasible.
7	1038	UMG235	Jaintia Hills	East Jaintia Hills	Saipung	Saipung	279566	Moulsai	SINGLE	Moulsai	A	22-Nov-20	Lot4	15-Dec-20	B	15-Jan-21	25.26746	92.74465	Moulsai	1) During site acquisition, wooden bridge was available 2) Bridge is broken currently and there is no visibility for its reconstruction. 3) Moreover, the site is operationally non feasible due to inaccessibility upto 15 kms as there is no proper road connectivity and road condition is not good before and after crossing river. 4) Site remains inaccessible during monsoon from April to Oct every year. 5) Execution and operations not feasible.
8	1045	UMG242	Jaintia Hills	East Jaintia Hills	Saipung	Saipung	279585	Salain	SINGLE	Salain	A	1-Dec-20	Lot5	18-Dec-20	A	2-Feb-21	25.06472	92.73603	Salain	1) Site Acquired by foot. 2) Transporting the material on hanging wooden bridge will not be feasible and chance of the bridge getting damaged. 3) Execution and operations not feasible.
9	260	UMI383	South Garo Hills	South Garo Hills	Chokpot	Chokpot	275528	Rongdigiri	L22		NIL	17-Apr-21	Lot22	7-Jun-21	B	18-Jun-21	25.41296	90.31901	Rongdigiri	1. Villagers not allowing to built tower in the acquired plot. Village council conducted general meeting and asked to move tower 2kms away from the Village location. Letter issued by Village head confirms the same. 2. Entire village can't be covered by moving the site 2 kms away. Unable to take up installation.
10	281	UMI039	East Garo Hills	North Garo Hills	Kharukta	Kharukta	275028	Badaka Reserve (Rajasail)	L85		NIL	24-Nov-20	Lot4/Lot21	26-May-21	A	10-Jun-21	25.89135	90.97508	Badaka Reserve (Rajasail)	1) Approved Nominal falls under Forest land. DFO suggested to move to alternate location where there is a dispute between village head man & Owner (Land Dispute) 2) Village head is not willing to provide NOC at other location. Unable to take up installation 1) Villagers are not interested for Tower construction and thus are not offering land for site installation 2) DC had arranged a meeting with the village members at Remyngaw, but most of the chief members did not attend the meeting. 3) No NOC consent released from Village council till date. Unable to take up installation
11	310	UMI629	West Khasi Hills	South West Khasi Hills	Mawkyra	Mawkyra	277327	Remyngaw	NO3	Remyngaw	B	20-Nov-20	Lot10	12-Feb-21	B	17-Feb-21	25.45248	91.88381	Remyngaw	1) Villagers are not interested for Tower construction and thus are not offering land for site installation 2) DC had arranged a meeting with the village members at Remyngaw, but most of the chief members did not attend the meeting. 3) No NOC consent released from Village council till date. Unable to take up installation



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12	609	UMG430	South Garo Hills	South Garo Hills	Chokpot	Chokpot	275748	Dasolgrri	SINGLE	Dasolgrri	A	5-Dec-20	Lot19	22-Jan-21	B	5-Feb-21	25.31496	90.51175	Dasolgrri	1) Village headman had given NOC of his own land. 2) However, villagers are against for tower construction and stopped the excavation work. 3) Without villagers consent headman is not ready to provide go ahead. Unable to take up execution.	
13	986	UMG155	East Khasi Hills	East Khasi Hills	Mawkyre w	Mawkyre w	278434	Synhasya	SINGLE	Synhasya	A	14-Jun-21	Lot24	29-Jun-21	B	12-Jul-21	25.46599	92.05822	Synhasya	1. Villagers and Headman not interested for mobile tower construction and thus are not offering land for site installation 2. Unable to take up execution.	
14	1123	UMG024	East Garo Hills	East Garo Hills	Dambo Rongleng	Dambo Rongleng	274849	Dambo Rongleng	Y45	Dambo Rongleng	B	24-Nov-20	Lot10	12-Feb-21	B	17-Feb-21	25.68991	90.83219	DAMBO RONGLENG	Site under Forest Land - Application submitted & Survey completed along with DFO, however approval is awaited	
15	NH44	UMGH08	East Khasi Hills	#N/A	NA	NA	NA	NH-44	NA	NH-44	B	16-Jun-21	Lot-30	8-Sep-21	B	16-Sep-21	25.04455	92.41598		Site under Forest Land - Applied submitted, however approval is awaited.	
16	1006	UMG194	East Khasi Hills	East Khasi Hills	Mawsyram	Mawsyram	278697	Dholai Malai	SINGLE	Dholai Malai	A	12-Dec-20	Lot9	22-Jan-21	B	5-Feb-21	25.17585	91.4217	Dholai Malai	Wooden bridge collapsed, approach road constructed but same also washed away due to rains. Currently site is not accessible.	
17	1150	UML504	South Garo Hills	South Garo Hills	Rongara	Rongara	276261	Rongtotma	Z33		NIL	7-Jan-21	Lot15/tr	26-Apr-21	B	18-Jun-21	25.19561	90.78208	Rongtotma	1) Earlier site was under dispute of two different villagers & same was resolved in their internal meeting held in village 2) Post resolution of issue approach road which is 30km away from site (Bagmara to Rongleng) washed away and heavy stream running on it. Currently site is not accessible.	
18	515	UMG011	East Garo Hills	East Garo Hills	Dambo Rongleng	Dambo Rongleng	274815	Jawalgre Asokagrithm	SINGLE	Jawalgre Asokagrithm	A	12-Nov-20	Lot3	7-Dec-20	B	14-Jan-21	25.71306	90.70032	Jawalgre Asokagrithm	Village headman wants to construct tower in his own premises, nominal is not feasible to cover the entire village and as well for TX connectivity.	
19	28	UML815	West Khasi Hills	South West Khasi Hills	Ranikor	Ranikor	277232	Upper Gillagora	B03		NIL	9-Jan-21	Lot12	3-Mar-21	B	25-Mar-21	25.19574	91.01311	Upper Gillagora	1) This site agreement was not done as site was on name of MP & after agreement site became in accessible due to rains. 2) River over flowing on road, approach road constructed but same also washed away due to rains. Currently site is not accessible.	
20	889	UMG637	West Khasi Hills		Mawkyra	Mawkyra	277319	Rangdikhw	SINGLE		B	19-Nov-20	Lot3	7-Dec-20	B	14-Jan-21	25.44496	91.42025	Rangdikhw	Tower foundation completed & while tower erection, local student union (Khasi student union) members came to site & stopped work & insisted not to construct tower. We approached DC for resolution & as union was strong so issue persists.	
21	354	UML088	East Garo Hills		Samanda	Samanda	275464	Dombegre	P75		NIL	11-Dec-20	Lot15	26-Apr-21	B	10-Jun-21	25.45527	90.58248	Dombegre	Civil works started & approach was also constructed to site but dispute came up between two village headman that the location is their respective jurisdiction. The area is under litigation (court case) as per local villagers between the two said headman.	
22	34	UMG818	West Khasi Hills	South West Khasi Hills	Ranikor	Ranikor	277239	Bagli	B06	Bagli	B	4-Jan-21	Lot26	12-Jul-21	B	20-Jul-21	25.19829	91.06516	Bagli	Tower is tilted and damaged which is now threat to villagers. New stable location is to be found out and tower is to be shifted. (New location is 25.19856/91.06417)	







No.SWKH/DLT/2018/40

Dated Mawkyrwat 18<sup>th</sup> August 2022

To: Joint Secretary to the Govt. Meghalaya,  
Information Technology &  
Communication Department.

Sub: Dropping of non feasible Mobile tower site & execution of telecom work at Rangdkhew village.

Sir,

In inviting reference to the subject cited above, I would like to bring to your notice that since no proper road access is available to these site and construction of PWD roads which leads to these sites will not be completed in time, therefore we request to drop these site mentioned below as they are not likely to be completed within the project deadline:-

1. UMG831 - Sooling
2. UMG832 - Umtongkut
3. UML815 - Upper Gillagora

2. For Rembyrngaw village(site id – UMG629), since all avenues has been exhausted and no resolution has been forthcoming due to protest from villagers who are not interested for tower construction in the village and no other location is feasible within the village, therefore we request that the site may be drop.

3. For Rangdkhew (site id – UMG637), village the matter has been resolved and execution of telecom work in the said site will begin in the last week of August. In connection to this, again the meeting will be held on the 26<sup>th</sup> August 2022 at 2:30 in DC chamber to discuss security measure and execution of work. Therefore, extension may be granted for this site until completion.

4. For Bagli village (site id – UMG818), it has been reported that the tower has been damaged due to heavy rainfall, the tower may perhaps be shifted to a more stable location.

Yours faithfully

  
Chairman DLDCMC cum Deputy Commissioner  
South West Khasi Hills District  
Mawkyrwat.


No.SWKH/DLT/2018/40

Dated Mawkyrwat 18<sup>th</sup> August 2022

Copy to:

1. Superintendent of Police, SWKH District Mawkyrwat, for information and to be present in the meeting as stated above.
2. Head Legal & Regulatory Bharti Hexacom Limited, North East License services Area for information and to be present in the meeting.
3. Sr. Dy Director General, State Broadband Committee(SBC)NELSA Department of Telecommunication(DoT), North East -1.

Yours faithfully

  
Chairman DLDCMC cum Deputy Commissioner  
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GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA  
OFFICE OF THE SUB-DIVISIONAL OFFICER (CIVIL)  
AMLAREM SUB-DIVISION ::: AMLAREM

No.ASD/ Genl.4/Telecomm/2022/37,

Dated Amlarem the 20<sup>th</sup> July, 2022.

To : Sib Kumar Sarma,  
Head – Legal & Regulatory,  
Bharti Hexacom Limited,  
North East License Service Area.

Subject : Views/comments regarding prayer for support on tower installation at  
Kamsing village (Site ID UML209) under USOF Project.

Ref : Your Letter No.Nil, Dt.18-07-2022

Sir,

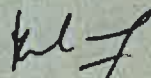
With reference to the subject and letter cited above, the Undersigned felt the need to provide her views/comments regarding prayer for support on tower installation at Kamsing village (Site ID UML209) under USOF Project. It can be recalled that several attempts have been made from the previous year, i.e 2021 to make the people of Kamsing Village understand the need for mobile towers in order to access mobile network in their village. However, the village as a whole is not in favour to accept the proposal.

Furthermore, another attempt was made this year by inviting the Headman and Secretary Shnong of Kamsing village for a meeting to enlighten them on the same but due to unknown circumstances, they were not present at the meeting.

Hence, it may be assumed that the general public of Kamsing Village are reluctant to accept the idea of mobile tower installation in their village and an NOC from the Headman seems unlikely. Thus, it is suggested that you may look for other alternative sites in the nearby villages

This is for your information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully,

  
Addl. Deputy Commissioner  
i/c Amlarem Civil Sub-Division,  
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**1<sup>st</sup> August 2022**

To,  
**Deputy Director General (SP), USOF**  
**Department of Telecommunications**  
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**Subject: USOF Meghalaya Project – Request for the Extension**

**Reference:**

- 1) USOF Agreement No. 30-252-7/2019-USF dated 4<sup>th</sup> September 2020
- 2) Airtel Letter No. RP/FY 21-22/142/104 dated 27<sup>th</sup> March 2022
- 3) Airtel Letter No. RP/FY 21-22/142/095 dated 29<sup>th</sup> March 2022
- 4) Our e-mail dated 10<sup>th</sup> June 2022
- 5) Airtel Letter No. RP/FY 21-22/142/108 dated 24<sup>th</sup> June 2022

Dear Sir,

This is in continuation to our earlier correspondence dated 29<sup>th</sup> March 2022, 24<sup>th</sup> June 2022 and e-mail dated 10<sup>th</sup> June 2022, wherein we shared a consolidated list of villages/installations having acquisition/execution challenges in the execution of the USOF Meghalaya agreement dated 4<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

In this regard, we wish to draw your kind attention to the following:

1. Regarding the project status, out of 320 doable installations, infrastructure is ready in as many as 315 villages, and 287 mobile towers are already on-air, carrying traffic and providing coverage to 415 villages.
2. With regard to the remaining installations:
  - a. 8 villages have access issues – State Administration has stated these would get resolved by September 2022.
  - b. The dwellers in 5 villages do not want tower installations in their villages and have denied NoC for the construction of the tower – State Administration has informed that these would be resolved by August.
  - c. Two installations are falling in Forest Land – Our requirement is registered in Parivesh portal of GoI and their permission for tower installation is not yet forthcoming.
  - d. There are 6 additional installations have deployment challenges – these villages became in-accessible during recent monsoon rains. Tower installation only feasible once the access is restored.
  - e. Annexure -1 contains details of above villages.

3. On the contrary, timeline granted for the completion of the project, by the Administration, is 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2022. Except the above-mentioned villages as stated in (2) above, we are confident to complete the Installations in all doable sites (320 tower installations). For the remaining sites, as explained in para (2), even if approval is received by the time prescribed by the State Administration, their installation and commissioning will go well beyond the specified closure date and will take at least 6 months post all the government approvals.

In view of the above, we request the Administration to extend the timelines for the project till 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023.

We are hoping the above will merit your favourable consideration.

Thanking you,

Yours Sincerely  
for **Bharti Hexacom Limited**



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Enclosure: As stated above

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