## 484th MHRC Meeting Agenda MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS

Venue: MoIC (Virtual)
Date: 11th January 2021 ( Monday )
Time: 2:15 PM

**Agenda 3: Action Taken Report** 

S l n o	Agenda	Action taken report	MHRC further directives
1	Purpose:Circular BDT/DKH/CSTG-12 - 4th annual meetings of ITU-D Study Groups 1 and 2, to be held in virtual format Institute/Country:ITU,Geneva, Switzerland Source of Funding: Virtual Start & End Date/Duration:Group-1 from 22-26 March and Group-2 from 15-19 March 2021	MHRC directed PPD and DITT to discuss and nominate.  HRD received nomination from PPD:  1. Pema Chetsho, Sr. Research Officer, PPD DITT has not discussed their nomination.  MHRC approved the nomination from PPD. MHRC further directed HRD to follow up on the nomination from DITT.	Noted

		* DITT informed HRD that the nominations have been deferred to the next DHRC, Divisions to review and provide suggestions and nominations during the next MHRC.	
2	Follow up of 480th MHRC dated 14 December 2020  Purpose: Commission on Science and Technology for Development Intersessional Panel Meeting Institute/Country: ITU, Switzerland, Geneva Source of Funding: Virtual Start & End Date/Duration: 18–22 January 2021 (1 to 3 p.m. (Central European Time) Nominations:  To be sent to MoH as it is relevant to them Recommended DITT recommended ICTM to share the details to MoH for nomination	DITT had recommended ICTM to share the details to MoH for nomination  Ministry of Health has conveyed that all their Information and Communication Officers (ICTOs) are either on tour or engaged in other works  The 482nd MHRC directed DITT to identify alternative nominations.  HRD did not receive any nominations from DITT. MHRC further directed HRD to follow up on the nominations from DITT  DITT was directed to submit nomination in the next MHRC  * DITT has nominated the following official to attend the	Nominations Approved
		meeting 1. Lobzang Jamtsho, Chief ICTO	

		Application Development Division  2. Sonam Jamtsho, Application Management Division and One from ICTM	
3	Shortlisted applicants for the post of Chief Transport Officer under Transport Development Division, Road Safety and Transport Authority.	The 482nd MHRC directed HRD to organise the selection interview following the lockdown. HRD was directed to follow up with the availability of panellist from RCSC and confirm on the selection dates at the earliest  HRD will write to RCSC on the panelist for the selection interview and also whether the selection interview can be done virtually once HRD receives the shortlisted applicant list of DoAT	Noted
		MHRC Noted the proposal submitted by HRD and further directed HRD to submit the list of shortlisted candidates at the earliest for endorsement to the	

		next MHRC.  HRD has submitted the Shorlisted candidate under Agenda 4.	
4	Purpose: Third Meeting of the SAARC Ministers of Science and Technology and its preceding Senior Officials' Meeting  Institute/Country: SAARC, Kathmandu  Source of Funding:e-learning program  Start & End Date/Duration: First half of 2021	MHRC directed HRD to submit this invitation to Hon'ble Lyonpo and Dasho secretary for instructions.  *HRD did not receive any further instructions from Hon'ble Lyonpo. HRD awaiting for Hon'ble Lyonpo's directive	MHRC directed DITT to draft a response to MFA taking note of the current challenges due to COVID-19.
5	Purpose: Capacity Building Webinar Road and rail transport agreements in the context of the COVID-19 crisis response Institute/Country: UNESCAP	MHRC nominated Sithar Dorji, Dy. Chief Planning Oofficer and Sonam Dorji, Senior Legal Officer, PPD to attend and further directed RSTA to nominate relevant officers.  *RSTA has nominated the following	Nominations approved

s	Secretariat, Thailand  Source of Funding: e-learning	officials to attend the Webinar.  1) Mr. Thinley Tobgay, RTO, RSTA, Gelephu	
S	Start & End Date/Duration:27-28 January 2021	2) Mr. Karma Dorji , ARTO, RSTA Mongar 3) Mrs. Pema Lhamo, TO, RSTA (HQ) Thimphu	

Agenda 4: Short Term Training

SIN o	Agenda:	Background/Recommendations/Trainings attended in the last 6 months	MHRC further directives
4.1	and Optimisation   Live Online	The invitation has been forwarded to the Ministry from Manifold Academy in india regarding an online training program on Electric Bus system Planning and Optimization. The details of the training will be shared with the participants.  The organizers have been closely working on the preparing of EV road map for Bhutan, they have given 40 percent discount to every participant. The training is very much relevant as we embark to electrify the transportation system particularly public transport system. The lack of technical competency for the emerging technology such as electric vehicles and electric buses is considered as one the barriers to our transition to e mobility. The EV project, PMO will bear the training fees,	Approved

		since the training is scheduled from 12th Jan for a period of four weeks, nominations are required from RSTA and PPD. The training session is thrice a week with a maximum of two hours covering lectures and practical sessions with end assessment leading to certificate level.  *Submitted for formal endorsement.		Deleted: i
4.2	Purpose: Invitation to the Accelerator Lab Launch (virtual), UNDP Bhutan on Institute/Country: UNDP, Bhutan Source of Funding: e-learning program Start & End Date/Duration: 12 January 2021 (10:00 to 11:30 AM) Nominations:  1. Mr. Sonam Penjor, Offtg.Chief ICTO, DITT 2. Mrs. Deepika Rai, Sr. ICTO, DITT 3. Monira. Y . Tsewang Offtg. Director DoIM 4. Singye Wangmo Chief IMO, Bhutan Film Association 5. Sonam Yangden, Asst	Invitation has been extended to the Ministry by UNDP Bhutan for the launch of Accelerator Lab.  The Accelerator Lab is part of UNDP's global network of 90 labs covering 114 countries. The lab serves as an engagement facility to "Reimagine Development for the 21st Century". It is a part of UNDP's drive to be an incubator for the future by accelerating progress towards the 2030 Agenda! The lab is dedicated to learning-bydoing quest to explore, create actionable intelligence, and test grassroots solutions together with local actors and validate their potential to accelerate the development process. The Accelerator Lab is here to co-create with them local solutions to the complex problems of today and tomorrow.	Nominations Approved	

IMO DoIM 6. Sonam Dorji. Senior Legal Officer, PPD.	

Agenda 5: Invitation/Offer

SI. No	Agenda	Background/Recommendations/Trainin gs attended in the last 6 months	MHRC Deliberation and Decision
5.1	Purpose: 27th Meeting of the APT Wireless Group (AWG-27) Institute/Country: Source of Funding: Virtual Start & End Date: 22-30 March 2021 Nominations:	The APT wireless group(AWG) covers various aspects of emerging wireless systems to meet the upcoming digital convergence era in the Asia Pacific region. It also assists to provide cost effective radio communication solutions and facilitate the transfer of technology and knowledge. In its 27th meeting the AWG will report on the progress of its activities and discuss the relevant topics and issues further.	MHRC directed DITT to review and nominate

		APT extends the invitation to office bearers of AWG and experts whose works are related to the work of AWG to participate in the meeting.  Registrations for the participants will be open online by 8th March 2021.  HRD will share the link with the participants.	
5.2	Purpose: BDT/DNS/EET/DM/174 - Invitation to the information session and virtual launch of the "ITU online training modules on emergency telecommunications", Institute/Country: Source of Funding: e-learning program Start & End Date/Duration: 20 January 2021, 14:30 - 16:00 (CET) Nominations:	The Information session and virtual launch of the ITU Online Training Modules on Emergency Telecommunications, which will take place on 20 January 2021, from 14:30 to 16:00 (CET). The online training modules have been developed and designed to allow ITU to build capacity and increase knowledge on the topic of emergency telecommunications and to continue to build disaster resilience, even in times of the current pandemic. Training modules cover (1) the development of National Emergency  Telecommunications Plans (NETPs), which are	MHRC directed DITT to review and nominate

based on the ITU Guidelines on NETPs, (2) the organization of tabletop simulation exercises, and (3) information on the Tampere Convention and its benefits.

This session is addressed to all national stakeholders involved in disaster management, including ICT government and private sector entities, national disaster management organizations, humanitarian agencies,NGOs and UN agencies. All three online modules are self-paced and will be available in theITU Academy Platform. ITU plans to supplement these self-paced online training modules with more\_extensive, instructor-led sessions in 2021.

5.3		The invitation has been extended to the Ministry from the Secretary General of the Asia-Pacific Telecommunity.  Registration can be done online at <a href="https://www.apt.int/content/online-registration">https://www.apt.int/content/online-registration</a> preferably by 3 February 2021. Once registration is accepted, APT Secretariat will inform Zoom meeting link, password and other relevant information directly to the registered participant one week prior to the meeting. Only the registered participants are entitled to join the meeting	amd PPD to review and nominate
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