

**Minutes of 524th MHRC Meeting**  
**MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS**

**Venue: MoIC Mini Conference Hall**

**Date: 26th October 2021 (Tuesday)**

**Time: 2:15 PM**

**Agenda 3: Action Taken Report of 523rd MHRC.**

| Sl. No. | Agenda  | Action taken report 523rd MHRC  | 524th MHRC directives                            |
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| 4       | <p><b>Purpose:</b> WTPF-21 - Invitation to Ministers of ITU Member States to attend the sixth World Telecommunication/ICT Policy Forum (WTPF-21).</p> <p><b>Institute/Country:</b> ITU, Geneva.</p> <p><b>Source of Funding:</b> NA as it is virtual.</p> <p><b>Start/End Date:</b> 16-18 December 2021</p> | <p>MHRC directed PPD and DITT to discuss for nomination.</p> <p>HRD received following nomination from DITT and PPD:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Mr. Jigme Tenzing, Director, DITT</li><li>2. Mr. Sonam Penjor, CICTO, AMD</li><li>3. Mr. Sonam Phuntsho, Chief ICTO, DoTS</li><li>4. Ms. Pema Chetsho, Sr. Research Officer, PPD.</li></ol> | <p><i>Approved for attendance virtually.</i></p> |

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| 5 | <p><b>Purpose:</b> Circular BDT/DDR/109 - Invitation to the second Inter-Regional Meeting (IRM-2) to prepare for the World Telecommunication Development Conference (WTDC).</p> <p><b>Institute/Country:</b> ITU, Geneva.</p> <p><b>Source of Funding:</b> NA as it is virtual.</p> <p><b>Start/End Date:</b> 13-14 December 2021</p>                       | <p>MHRC directed PPD and DITT to discuss for nomination.</p> <p>HRD received the following nomination from DITT and PPD:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Ms. Thaye Choden, Sr. ICTO, DITT.</li> <li>2. Mr. Thinley Dorji, Offtg. Chief PO, PPD.</li> </ol>   | <p><i>Approved</i></p>   |
| 6 | <p><b>Purpose:</b> e-ITEC Programs. The list of programs are linked <a href="https://www.itecgoi.in/upcomingcourse">https://www.itecgoi.in/upcomingcourse</a>.</p> <p><b>Institute/Country:</b> Ministry of External Affairs, India.</p> <p><b>Source of Funding:</b> GoI (Virtual mode).</p> <p><b>Start/End Date:</b> Depends upon the program chosen</p> | <p>MHRC approved the nomination received from RSTA</p> <p>HRD received the following nomination from DoIM:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Mr. Ugyen Rangdrol, APO, MRD</li> <li>2. Mr. Sonam Dorji, AIMO, CAD</li> </ol> <p>HRD did not receive any nomination from DoAT but DITT has informed that the program is announced on the Department's website and the ICT Management Division to take note of the participants who avail the programs.</p> | <p><i>MHRC also directed DoIM to look into the relevance for Private Media Houses for nomination.</i></p> <p><i>Further, DoAT and DoS was directed to look at the relevance of the trainings and nominate accordingly.</i></p> |

#### Agenda 4: Short Term Training

| Sl No. | Agenda:  | Background/Trainings attended in the last 6 months  | MHRC further directives   |
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| 4.1    | <p><b>Purpose:</b> Virtual Routing Infrastructure Security Operations Workshop.</p> <p><b>Institute/Country:</b> Network Startup Resource Center (NSRC)</p> <p><b>Source of Funding:</b> NA as it is virtual</p> <p><b>Start/End Date:</b> 1 – 5 November 2021</p> <p><b>Nomination:</b></p> <p>1. Ms. Karma Yuden Dorjee, Sr. ICTO, DITT</p> <p><b>No obligation as per the RCSC guidelines for Implementing e-learning programs.</b></p> | <p>The training under this workshop will be led by the instructors of the Network Startup Resource Center (NSRC). Due to the continued threat of COVID and the inability of foreigners to travel to different countries, it is planned to host this workshop virtually. The honourable TEIN members to nominate the engineers from their NRENS having relevant routing experience who they believe can take maximum benefit from this workshop.</p> | <p><i>Nomination from DITT approved.</i></p> <p><i>Nomination to be explored from RUB, DREN (Druk Research and Education Network)</i></p> |

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| <p><b>4.2</b></p> | <p><b>Purpose:</b> APT Training Course on Artificial Intelligence and 5G Technology.</p> <p><b>Institute/Country:</b> Shanghai, PR China.</p> <p><b>Source of Funding:</b> NA as it is virtual.</p> <p><b>Start/End Date:</b> 15-26 November (12 days).</p> <p><b>Nomination:</b></p> <p>1. Mr. Sherab Wangchuk, Asst ICTO, Application Management Division, DITT</p> <p><b>No obligation as per the RCSC guidelines for Implementing e-learning programs.</b></p> | <p>The objectives of this course are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To learn some new knowledge and ideas of Artificial Intelligence and 5G Technology,</li> <li>- Take useful technologies back to their home countries to enhance international cooperation and communication between countries in the Asia Pacific area.</li> </ul> <p>Through theoretical learning, case study, and online discussions, trainees can learn more cutting-edge knowledge and ideas vividly in Artificial Intelligence and the 5G field. Take useful ideas and technologies back to their own countries, and enhance the international cooperation and communication between countries.</p> <p>The nomination of Thuenzang Chopel, Engineer, DoTS, DITT was approved during the 522nd MHRC held on 11th October 2021.</p> <p>DITT has been asked to nominate one additional candidate.</p> | <p><i>Nomination of Sherab Wangchuk approved.</i></p> |
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| <p><b>4.3</b></p> | <p><b>Purpose:</b> Software-Defined Optical Networks (SDON) Training &amp; Research Laboratory for TEIN NRENs.</p> <p><b>Institute/Country:</b> Thailand.</p> <p><b>Source of Funding:</b> NA as it is virtual.</p> <p><b>Start/End Date:</b> 25 – 28 October 2021</p> <p><b>Nomination:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Mr. Rinchen Khando, Engineer, Division of Telecom and Space.</li> <li>2. Mr. Tshering Wangchuk, Sr ICT Technical Associate, Infrastructure Division</li> </ol> <p>HRD sought online approval dated 25th October 2021.</p> <p><b>No obligation as per the RCSC guidelines for Implementing e-learning programs.</b></p> | <p>The project's objectives include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Establishment of SDON training and research lab for TEIN NRENs in NUST in collaboration with PERN.</li> <li>● Capacity building of NREN members for SDONs; “Train the trainers”, Training and workshop</li> <li>● Operator specific collaborative research activities</li> <li>● Techno-economics &amp; migration strategies</li> </ul> | <p><i>Approved</i></p> |
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| <p><b>4.4</b></p> | <p><b>Purpose:</b> "Ninth Meeting of the Air Traffic Management Sub-Group (ATM/SG/9) of APANPRIG (Video Teleconference).</p> <p><b>Institute/Country:</b> ICAO, Thailand.</p> <p><b>Source of Funding:</b> NA as it is virtual.</p> <p><b>Start/End Date:</b> 01 - 05 November 2021.</p> <p><b>Department:</b> DoAT.</p> <p><b>Nomination:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Ms. Phuntsho Yeozar, Asst ATCO, DoAT.</li> <li>2. Mr. Sonam Zangpo, Asst ATCO, DoAT.</li> </ol> <p><b>No obligation as per the RCSC guidelines for Implementing e-learning programs.</b></p> | <p>States and Administrations should come prepared to the meeting to provide a documented status report on the implementation of the following matters, which will require internal research by and the readiness of the meeting participants:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Asia/Pacific ATS Route Catalogue – ATS route proposals relevant to the meeting – each route proposal to be updated, especially in terms of priority; for reference, please see the Asia/Pacific Region ATS Route Catalogue version 20 at <a href="https://www.icao.int/APAC/Pages/edocs.aspx">https://www.icao.int/APAC/Pages/edocs.aspx</a>;</li> <li>2) Regional ATFM Plan Monitoring and Reporting Form; 2/... – 2</li> <li>3) Regional ATM Contingency Plan Monitoring and Reporting Form;</li> <li>4) Regional AIM Plan Monitoring and Reporting Form;</li> <li>5) Regional SAR Plan Monitoring and Reporting Form;</li> <li>6) ANS Deficiencies – each deficiency relevant to the meeting to have an update on the implementation of any corrective actions; and</li> <li>7) National Air Navigation Plan (NANP) in accordance with the requirements of the Regional Air Navigation Plan.</li> </ol> | <p><i>Approved</i></p> |
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| <p><b>4.5</b></p> | <p><b>Purpose:</b> 4th Preparatory Meeting for the Fourth Ministerial Conference on Transport.</p> <p><b>Institute/Country:</b> Bangkok,Thailand.</p> <p><b>Source of Funding:</b> NA as it is virtual.</p> <p><b>Start/End Date:</b> 26 October 2021</p> <p><b>Nomination:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Mr. Ugyen Norbu, Offtg. Chief, TMD (Attended 2nd Preparatory meeting).</li> <li>2. Mr. Prem P Adhikari , CRTO, Thimphu Region, (Attended 2nd Preparatory meeting)</li> <li>3. Mr. Sithar Dorji, CTO, TDD (Attended 1st Preparatory meeting)</li> </ol> <p><b>No obligation as per the RCSC guidelines for Implementing e-learning programs.</b></p> | <p>The fourth preparatory meeting will be held online on 26 October 2021 to consider and finalize the outstanding issues in the Draft Ministerial Declaration.</p> <p>The member States at the first preparatory meeting elected a Chair and four vice-chairs to steer the work of the preparatory process for the fourth Ministerial Conference on Transport. The Chair or acting Chair will open the fourth meeting and preside over the proceedings.</p> <p>The secretariat will also assist with moderating the floor and provide housekeeping and logistical information on the conduct of the meeting.</p> <p>The secretariat will project the last circulated version of the Draft Ministerial Declaration on the screen. The meeting will be invited to review and finalize the outstanding issues remaining in the Declaration. In the event that more time is needed, the meeting will break for lunch and reconvene at 14:00 hours. If the meeting concludes its deliberations on the draft during the morning, the secretariat will provide a step-by-step overview of the silence procedure to be applied.</p> <p>The secretariat will continue to project the Draft Ministerial Declaration on the screen. The meeting will be invited to continue its deliberations.</p> <p>The link will be open as long as needed for delegations to complete deliberations and clear the text. The Chair may call for an additional break during the afternoon deliberations, as needed. Once the meeting concludes its deliberations on the draft, the secretariat will provide a step-by-step overview of the silence procedure to be applied.</p> | <p><i>Approved</i></p> |
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