

Agenda of 555th MHRC Meeting
MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS

Venue: Mini Conference

Date: 21st June, 2022 (Tuesday)

Time: 2:15 PM

Agenda 3: Action Taken Report of 554th MHRC

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3.4	<p>Purpose: APT Training course on Spectrum Management and Monitoring (Hybrid).</p> <p>Institute/Country: Rajiv Gandhi Memorial Telecom Training Center (RGM TTC) in BSNL, Chennai, India. Mode: Physically or virtually.</p> <p>Source of Funding: APT (1 full fellowship or 2 partial fellowships per administration)</p> <p>Start/End Date: 14 to 20 September 2022</p> <p>Date of Nomination: <u>29 July 2022</u>)</p>	<p><i>MHRC directed HRD to forward the invitation to DITT and BICMA for nomination.</i></p> <p><i>HRD was informed that DITT has no nomination.</i></p> <p><i>HRD received the following nomination from BICMA</i></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><i>1. Mr. Thubten Jamtsho, Communication Officer, BICMA</i></p>	<p><i>Approved the nomination from BICMA.</i></p>

<p>3.5</p>	<p>Purpose: Policy Making of Space Technology Utilisation for SDGs.</p> <p>Institute/Country: JICA Tokyo Center.</p> <p>Mode: Virtual</p> <p>Source of Funding: NA since its virtual</p> <p>Start/End Date: Sept 27 to Oct 14, 2022.</p> <p>Date of Nomination: June 28, 2022.</p>	<p><i>MHRC directed HRD to forward the invitation to PPD and DITT for nomination.</i></p> <p>HRD did not receive any nomination</p>	<p><i>Noted and HRD to follow up with PPD and DITT.</i></p>
<p>3.6</p>	<p>Purpose: Online Training Course on Scenario in Cyber Security & Blockchain Technology</p> <p>Institute/Country: Advanced Level Telecom Training Centre (ALTTC), BSNL, Ghaziabad, India</p> <p>Source of Funding: NA as its virtual</p> <p>Start/End Date: 11-22 July 2022</p> <p><u>Closing date of the nomination (24 June 2022)</u></p>	<p><i>MHRC directed HRD to forward the invitation to DITT for nomination.</i></p> <p><i>HRD received the following nomination from DITT</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mr. Samuel Pradhan, Asst. ICT Officer, Ministry of Finance 2. Mr. Mohan Subba, Asst. ICT Officer, Zhemgang Dzongkhag 	<p><i>Nominations approved.</i></p>

3.7	<p>Purpose: First Meeting of the BIMSTEC Expert Group on Cyber Security Date: 14-15 July, 2022 Institute/Country: New Delhi, India Mode: Physical Format Last date of nomination: 20 June, 2022</p> <p>Nomination: Dechen Chhoeden, Dy. Chief ICT Officer, BtCIRT</p>	<p><i>MHRC directed HRD to forward the invitation to BICMA for nomination.</i></p> <p><i>HRD received following nomination from BICMA:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mrs. Tshering Choden, Sr. ICT Officer, BICMA 	<p><i>Nomination from BICMA approved.</i></p>
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Agenda 4: Short Term Trainings/ Invitations

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<p>4.1</p>	<p>Purpose: ITU Regional Standardization Forum on “Regulatory and Policy aspects of Telecommunications/ICTs” Institute/Country: New Delhi, India Source of Funding: Not mentioned Start/End Date: 8-12 August 2022. Nomination date: 1 August 2022</p>	<p>The International Telecommunication Union (ITU) is organizing a Regional Standardization Forum (RSF) on “Regulatory and Policy aspects of Telecommunications/ICTs” on taking place as a physical event on 8 August 2022 from 8h30 to 17h30 CEST. The Forum will be hosted by the Ministry of Communications of India. The Forum will be followed by the meeting of the ITU-T Study Group 3 Regional Group for Asia and Oceania (SG3RG-AO) that will take place from 9 to 12 August 2022. The Study Group 3 regional group meeting will also be preceded by a BSG Interactive Workshop on Effectiveness in Standardization.</p> <p>Objectives</p> <p>The main objective of the event is to provide an open forum for debating and exchanging views on a number of standardization topics under discussion at ITU-T and to highlight activities related to the Bridging the Standardization Gap (BSG) Programme including the work of Regional Groups.</p> <p>Target Audience</p> <p>Participation in the Forum is open to ITU Member States, Sector Members, Associates, and Academic Institutions and to any individual from a country which is a member of ITU</p>	<p><i>MHRC directed HRD to share the invitation with DITT for nomination.</i></p>
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<p>4.2</p>	<p>Purpose: Capacity Building Workshop on Digital Connectivity and Transformation under the framework of the APIS Action Plan 2022-2026, Date: 6 July 2022, Institute/Country: Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia Mode: Virtually Nomination:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ms.Thaye Choden, Sr.ICTO, Division of Space and Telecom 2. Pema Chetsho, Sr. Research Officer, PPD. <p>On-line registration in advance by 19 June 2022, through this link:https://indico.un.org/event/1001396/</p> <p>Invitation link Concept note</p>	<p>The United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) and the International Think Tank for Landlocked Developing Countries (ITT LLDC) are inviting participants to attend Capacity Building Workshop on Digital Connectivity and Transformation under the framework of the Asia-Pacific Information Superhighway Action Plan 2022-2026, which will be held on 6th July 2022, 09:30—16:00 hours (in the hybrid mode), Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia.</p> <p>The objectives of the workshop are to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) enhance awareness concerning the action plan 2022-2026 of the Asia-Pacific Information Superhighway Initiative, (2) enhance understanding and awareness on the status and challenges in promoting digital connectivity and advancing digital transformation of countries in the Asia-Pacific towards an inclusive digital society, and (3) share good practices and lessons learned in advancing digital connectivity and digital transformation. 	<p>Nominations approved.</p>
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<p>4.3</p>	<p>Purpose: UNNATI (UNISpace Nanosatellite Assembly & Training by ISRO)</p> <p>Institute/Country: Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO), U.R. Rao Satellite Centre (URSC), Bengaluru, India</p> <p>Date: October 15 -December 15, 2022</p> <p>Online Registration: From June 01, 2022 and will be open till July 15, 2022.</p>	<p>Background:</p> <p>After successfully completing two batches benefitting 60 officials from 33 countries, Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) of Department of Space (DOS), Government of India announces opening of registration for the 3rd batch of training programme on nanosatellite assembly and building. This programme named UNNATI (UNISpace Nanosatellite Assembly & Training by ISRO) was announced during the Symposium to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the First United Nations Conference on the Exploration and Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (UNISPACE+50).</p> <p>This two months' programme provides an opportunity to the participating countries to strengthen their capabilities in assembling, integrating and testing nanosatellites. Details with Course Brochure and on-line Application Form are available at the following link: https://www.ursc.gov.in/indounssp/index.jsp</p> <p>This was not received as an invitation per se but the Division of Telecom and Space (DoTS) came across the announcement in the ISRO page and felt it would be very beneficial if officials from DoTS could attend this 3rd batch of training.</p> <p>However, it said priority will be accorded for the applicants from countries which have not benefited from the previous two batches. And 2 officials from DITT have previously attended the training.</p> <p>Subsequently, DHRC decided to put it up to MHRC and see if the Ministry could kindly write to MoFA for support by requesting the Embassy of India (EoI) for 2 seats in this training.</p>	<p>DITT and HRD to pursue the matter with MFA.</p>
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Agenda 5: STT Rationalization as per directives of RCSC.

As per the directives of RCSC issued through a notification vide no. RCSC/HRDD-/2022/ agencies are required to rationalize both in-country and ex-country STT.

Accordingly, HRD would like to recommend/propose following rationales:

1. In view of budgetary constraints in the country, MHRC shall not approve ex-country STT under the funding support of RGoB unless mandatory. The Departments/Divisions will be encouraged to conduct in-country training, workshop, seminars via virtual platforms to cut costs wherever possible;
2. MHRC shall prioritize training that is of national importance and prioritize upskilling in critical areas.
3. MHRC shall nominate and approve officials to attend relevant and prioritized ex-country STT under full fellowship offered by the outside agencies. However, Covid-19 or other pandemic (eg. monkeypox) situations in the receiving country or overseas would have to be determined for participation/nomination from the Ministry.

Decision: MHRC approved the HRD's suggestions and instructed for a circular to be issued.