Vivek Rae Principal Secretary (Health & FW) D.O.No. Pa secyhow/133-14/
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Dear

The existing guidelines for granting permission for installation of towers on ground/roof tops for Cellular Mobile Phone Services finalized pursuant to a meeting held at Raj Niwas on 26.7.2002 have been reviewed on the basis of certain representations from the public and it has been decided that henceforth such towers in residential areas should be permitted only in consultation with the concerned Resident Welfare Associations and not left to bilateral negotiations between Telecom companies and individual residents/house owners. In this regard the following additional precautionary measures are also recommended for adoption by the local authorities:

- Installation of Base Station Antennas within the premises of schools and hospitals may be avoided because children and patients are more susceptible to Electro Magnetic Field.
- Installation of Base Station Antennas in narrow lanes should be avoided in order to reduce the risks caused by any earth quake or wind related disaster.
- The Base Station Antennas should be at least 3 m away from the nearby building and antennas should not directly face the building. Further, the lower end of the antenna should be at least 3 meter above the ground or roof.
- In case of multiple transmitter sites at a specific locality sharing of a common cower infrastructure, should be explored, as far as possible, which can be coordinated through a nodal agency.
- Access to Base Station Antenna sites should be prohibited for general public by suitable means such as wire fencing, locking of the door to the roof etc. Access to tower site, even for the maintenance personnel, should be for a minimum period as far as possible.
- Sign boards/Warning Signs are to be provided at Base Station Antenna sites which should be clearly visible and identifiable. A warning sign should be placed at the entrance of such zone.

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- The "Warning Sign" should discourage longer stay in the zone, even for the maintenance personnel. The sign board may contain the following text:
 - j. Danger! RF radiations, Do not enter!
 - ii. Restricted Area

The operators and maintenance personnel, who are dealing with radio frequency devices, specially with Base Station Antennas installed on towers and at any other outdoor sites, should be protected from electromagnetic radiations. It is required that operators and maintenance personnel should be educated for possible hazards from these devices.

This issues with the approval of LG.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

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- 3. Shri Parimal Rai, Chairperson, NDMC, New Delhi

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