

GOVERNMENT OF SIKKIM DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

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Notification

Read: The Telecommunication (Right of Way) Rules, 2024 dated 17.09.2024.

Whereas the new Telecommunication Act,2023 was enacted by Indian Parliament and came into effect from 26th June 2024.Subsequently, the Telecommunications Right of Way (RoW) Rules, 2024 were enacted and came into force on 01st January 2025.These new Telecommunication Right of Way (RoW) Rules,2024, replaces the previous rules/policy and introduces new regulatory provisions. These rules aim to help in speeding up the expansion of telecommunication infrastructure, enhancing connectivity, and reducing procedural delays.

And whereas, considering the importance of implementing their rules in the State of Sikkim, it is necessary to adopt and enforce them swiftly.

Now therefore, Sikkim State Right of Way Policy 2021 and its amendment stands withdrawn w.e.f from 31.12.2024 by operation of law to give way to new Telecommunication (Right of Way) Rules, 2024 w.e.f 01.01.2025.

All the State Government Departments, Urban & Local Bodies and Government Corporations in the state must implement the Telecommunications Act, 2023 (effective from 26th June 2024) and the Telecommunications (Right of Way) Rules, 2024(effective from 01st January 2025).

The Telecommunications Right of Way (RoW) Rules, 2024 is available at "<u>https://www.sikkim.gov.in/uploads/ DeptUploads/Telecommunications Right of</u> <u>Way Rules 2024 20250118.pdf."</u>

By order.

Copy to:

1) Commissioner Cum Secretary, Urban Development Department,

2) Secretary, Home Department,

3) Secretary, Rural Development Department,

4) Secretary, Roads and Bridges Department,

5) S.O to Chief Secretary,

- 6) DDG, Department of Telecom, Sikkim Circle,
- 7) File and Guard File.

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