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RAILTEL CORPORATION OF INDIA LIMITED (RailTel)

ANNUAL REVIEW ON THE PERFORMANCE/ ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR 2019-20

RailTel was formed as a Schedule A Company under the Ministry of Railways in September, 2000 with the objective inter alia of facilitating Railways in modernizing of train operation, safety systems and network by providing state of the art communication infrastructure.

2. The present paid up capital of RailTel is Rs. 320.94 Crore and the networth of the Company (Consolidated) as at 31.03.2020 is Rs. 1369 Crore.

3. RailTel has exclusive seamless Right of Way (ROW) alongwith 67,415 KM Railway Track passing through 7321 stations across the country. Using this ROW, RailTel has 52025 Route Kilometers (RKMs) of Optical Fibre Cable (OFC) along the railway track as on 31.03.2020 and 57437 RKMs of OFC as on 30.09.2020.

4. RailTel has two Tier – III Data Centers in place at Secunderabad & Gurugram and has received several orders from Central Government Ministries, State Government departments and PSUs for Data Center related services during the year.

5. RailTel was also selected by Govt. of India to be one of three implementers for the National Optical Fibre Network (NOFN) project sanctioned to connect all the panchayats on broadband. The project has now been rechristened as 'BharatNet'. Under the Phase – I of this project, RailTel is mandated to cover 10793 Gram Panchayats covering 317 Blocks across Northern Eastern region states (Tripura, Meghalaya, Manipur, Mizoram, Nagaland & Arunachal Pradesh), Pondicherry in South & Gujarat (incl. Daman & Diu and Dadra & Nagar Haveli) in West. As of March, 2020, 24683 KM of duct has been laid covering nearly 93.05% of GPs and 24037 KM of optical fiber to cover nearly 87.15% of the GPs. As of Sep, 2020, 25136 KM of duct has been laid covering nearly 93.17% of GPs and 24451 KM of optical fiber to cover nearly 87.33% of the GPs."

6. RailTel has been mandated to provide Wi-Fi facilities at Railway Stations in the Country. RailTel is transforming Railway stations into Digital hub by providing public Wi-Fi at all Railway Stations. As on 31st March, 2020 5655 stations were live with RailTel's RailWire Wi-Fi with 1.59 Crore unique users per month. Further, as on 30th September, 2020, the total number of stations with RailTel's RailWire Wi-Fi were 5783 including 269 stations of WCR with 76 Lakh unique users per month. This is one of the largest and fastest public Wi-Fi networks of the world. The response to the service has been phenomenal but due to COVID-19 pandemic and restriction in train/passenger movement user login has been 1.02 Crore per month with 3437 TB aggregated data consumption. Passengers use this facility for streaming High Definition (HD) Videos, download of movies, songs, games, do their office work online.

7. RailTel has taken up the work of implementing NIC E-Office system for Indian Railways. E-Office project is a Mission Mode Project (MMP) under the National e-Governance Programme of the Government of India. The project aims to usher in more efficient, effective and transparent inter-government and intra-government transactions and processes. Currently, e-Office has been implemented in all 106 Units of Indian Railways against the sanctioned work of Phase – I and

Phase – II. During the COVID crisis 25 new establishments were commissioned with NIC e-office. This has proven to be boon in a crisis time and part of Railway workforce was able to **WORK FROM HOME**, which would have been impossible in case of manual filing system. As on March, 2020, there were 71,483 users of e-office with 1,31,062 e-Files and 4,63,049 e-Receipts created over Indian Railways. As on 30th Sep'20, there were 1.14 lac users of e-office with 7,58,135 e-Files and 27,64,865 e-Receipts created over Indian Railways.

8. The summary of consolidated financial results achieved during the year as compared to the previous year are given below:

Rs. In Crore

Sl. No.	Particulars	2019-20	2018-19
a.	Gross Revenue (Income)	1166	1038
b.	Expenditure (excluding depreciation & exceptional items)	801	709
c.	Profit before tax	185	181
d.	Profit after tax	141	112
e.	Dividend	68.06	64.20
f.	Gross Block	1941	1856
g.	Net worth	1369	1289
