

**अंडमान और निकोबार प्रशासन**  
**Andaman and Nicobar Administration**  
**सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी विभाग**  
**Department of Information Technology**

*Port Blair, dated 11.04.2023*

**ORDER**

Very often various agencies constructing infrastructure projects require digging / cutting of public roads and excavating at public places. Such digging / cutting and excavating at public places often damage the existing underground infra like Optical Fiber Cables, Water pipelines, Electric Cables, sewerage pipelines, etc. of other Utilities Asset Owners causing them huge economic losses, inconvenience to citizen and associated business losses to other stakeholders.

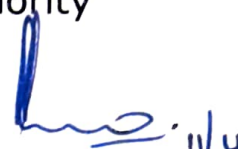
To address these issues, Department of Telecommunications, Ministry of Communications, Government of India has come out with a mobile app "**Call Before u Dig (CBuD)**" which provides an interface for excavators agencies / contractors to alert / inform owners of existing utility assets owners to assist the excavating agencies to identify the rout of the existing infrastructure so that damage to the existing infrastructure could be avoided. The mobile app "Call Before u Dig" was launched by Hon'ble Primer Minister of India on 22.03.2023.

In pursuance to the instructions of National Broadband Mission, Department of Telecommunication, Government of India and as per the decision taken in the 5G Working Committee of A&N Administration, all the Departments of the A&N Administration / PSE / Autonomous Bodies under the A&N Administration / TSPs shall mandate the usage of CBuD mobile app in the following manner :

1. All Excavation / digging agencies to be mandated to do any type of digging only after prior intimation through CBuD App and mandate the usage of CBuD app.

2. While granting approvals for any type of excavation in the A&N Islands, it is to mention in the approval letter "Any agency excavating public places / roads shall report the location on the CBuD App before commencing excavation in the A&N Islands"
3. All Utility Asset owners shall intimate/mandate their excavators/ contractors to use CBuD App prior to any type of excavation / digging activity along public places / roads.

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority



Special Secretary (IT)

To

1. The Managing Director, ANIIDCO
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