



**Government of Odisha  
Office of Special Relief Commissioner**

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From

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Special Relief Commissioner &  
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(Disaster Management)

To

1. Additional Director General of Police, Law & Order
2. Inspector General of Police, Fire Services
3. Managing Director, Odisha Forest Development Corporation
4. Commandant, NDRF, 3<sup>rd</sup> Batln., Munduli
5. Collectors, Gajapati/ Ganjam/ Puri/ Nayagarh/ Khordha/ Cuttack/ Jagatsinghpur/ Kendrapada/ Jajpur/ Bhadrak/ Balasore/ Mayurbhanj/ Keonjhar
6. Superintendent of Police, Gajapati/ Ganjam/ Puri/ Nayagarh/ Khordha/ Cuttack/ Jagatsinghpur/ Kendrapada/ Jajpur/ Bhadrak/ Balasore/ Mayurbhanj/ Keonjhar
7. Director, Municipal Administration
8. Director, Special Projects, PR & DW Dept.
9. EIC Roads (Works Department)
10. EIC Roads (RW)
11. EIC, PH


Sub: Avoiding damage of Optical Fibre Cables of Telecom companies during repair/ restoration work

Sir,

It was experienced that in response to cyclone 'FANI', the Optical Fibre Cables (OFC) of Telecom companies were damaged in course of cutting of uprooted trees and clearance of debris for restoration of roads communication and electricity supply. As a result, it took unusually a long time for restoration of telephone, mobile and internet services.

In order to ensure that such things do not occur again, you are requested to take necessary steps to properly brief the NDRF/ ODRAF/ Fire Services/ OFDC personnel and the engineers/ officials of other Departments engaged in restoration work to be careful while undertaking the task of clearance of roads/ debris after the cyclone is over. The Block Development Officers/ Tahasildars may supervise this in their respective jurisdictions and ensure that the telecom OFCs are not damaged during restoration of roads.

Yours faithfully,

  
Special Relief Commissioner &  
Additional Chief Secretary to Govt.  
(Disaster Management)