



QUALIFICATIONS PACK - OCCUPATIONAL STANDARDS FOR TELECOM INDUSTRY

What are **Occupational** Standards(OS)?

- OS describe what individuals need to do, know and understand in order to carry out a particular job role or function
- OS are performance standards that individuals must achieve when carrying out functions in the workplace, together with specifications of the underpinning knowledge and understanding

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Introduction

Qualifications Pack- Optical Fiber Technician

SECTOR: TELECOM

SUB-SECTOR: Network Managed Services

OCCUPATION: Network Operations & Maintenance – Optical

REFERENCE ID: TEL/Q6401

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Brief Job Description: Optical fiber technician is responsible for maintaining uptime and quality of the network segment (both optical media & equipment) assigned to him by undertaking periodic preventive maintenance activities and ensuring effective fault management in case of fault occurrence. He is also required to coordinate activities for installation and commissioning of Optical Fibre Cable (OFC) as per the route plan.

Personal Attributes: This job requires the individual to work closely with multiple teams and operate in field which may consist of difficult terrain. The individual should be able to handle high pressure situations and be analytical to successfully perform the assigned responsibilities. It is preferred that individual is well versed with local language to coordinate with local labors.











Qualifications Pack For Optical Fiber Technician

Qualifications Pack Code	TEL/Q6401		
Job Role	Optical Fiber Technician		
Credits NSQF	4	Version number	1.0
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Occupation	Network Operations & Maintenance - Optical	Next review date	31/05/17

Job Role	Optical Fiber Technician		
Role Description	Optical fiber technician is responsible for maintaining uptime and quality of the network segment (both optical media & equipment) assigned to him by undertaking periodic preventive maintenance activities and ensuring effective fault management in case of fault occurrence. He is also required to coordinate activities for installation and commissioning of Optical Fibre Cable (OFC) as per the route plan		
NSQF level	4		
Minimum Educational Qualifications*	Class VIII		
Maximum Educational Qualifications*	ITI/ Diploma/ Bachelor in Technology (Any field)		
Training	 Training on Soft Skills (mandatory for Class VIII to XII) Technical trainings on interpreting OTDR, power and light meter test results; Project management trainings(mandatory for all) 		
Experience	 In case educational qualification Class VIII to XII- Worked as optical fiber splicer for minimum 4-5 years In case educational qualification ITI/ Diploma/ Bachelor in Technology- Worked as optical fiber splicer for 1-2 years 		
Applicable National Occupational Standards (NOS)	(Click to open the below hyperlinks) Compulsory: 1. TEL/N6402 (Co-ordinate Installation & Commissioning of Optical fiber cables (OFC)) 2. TEL/N6403 (Undertake Condition based Maintenance & Planned repair activities) 3. TEL/N6404 (Perform corrective maintenance/restoration of optical fault) Optional: 4. NA		
Performance Criteria	As described in the relevant OS units		







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Keywords /Terms	Description		
Sector	Sector is a conglomeration of different business operations having similar businesses and interests. It may also be defined as a distinct subset of the economy whose components share similar characteristics and interests.		
Sub-sector	Sub-sector is derived from a further breakdown based on the characteristics and interests of its components.		
Occupation	Occupation is a set of job roles, which perform similar/related set of functions in an industry.		
Function	Function is an activity necessary for achieving the key purpose of the sector, occupation, or area of work, which can be carried out by a person or a group of persons. Functions are identified through functional analysis and form the basis of OS.		
Job Role	Job role defines a unique set of functions that together form a unique employment opportunity in an organization.		
OS	OS specify the standards of performance an individual must achieve when carrying out a function in the workplace, together with the knowledge and understanding they need to meet that standard consistently. Occupational Standards are applicable both in the Indian and global contexts.		
Performance Criteria	Performance Criteria are statements that together specify the standard of performance required when carrying out a task.		
NOS	NOS are Occupational Standards which apply uniquely in the Indian context.		
Qualifications Pack Code	Qualifications Pack Code is a unique reference code that identifies a qualifications pack.		
Qualifications Pack	Qualifications Pack comprises the set of OS, together with the educational, training and other criteria required to perform a job role. A Qualifications Pack is assigned a unique qualification pack code.		
Unit Code	Unit Code is a unique identifier for an Occupational Standard , which is denoted by an 'N'.		
Unit Title	Unit Title gives a clear overall statement about what the incumbent should be able to do.		
Description	Description gives a short summary of the unit content. This would be helpful to anyone searching on a database to verify that this is the appropriate OS they are looking for.		
Knowledge and Understanding	Knowledge and Understanding are statements which together specify the technical, generic, professional and organizational specific knowledge that an individual needs in order to perform to the required standard.		
Organizational Context	Organizational Context includes the way the organization is structured and how it operates, including the extent of operative knowledge managers have of their relevant areas of responsibility.		
Technical Knowledge	Technical Knowledge is the specific knowledge needed to accomplish specific designated responsibilities.		
Core Skills or Generic Skills	Core Skills or Generic Skills are a group of skills that are key to learning and working in today's world. These skills are typically needed in any work environment. In the context of the OS, these include communication related skills that are applicable to most job roles.		







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Keywords /Terms	Description	
DG	Diesel Generator	
EB Connection	Electricity Board	
IP	Internet Protocol	
MUX	Multiplexer	
OHS	Organizational Health & Safety	
OTDR	Optical Time Domain Reflectometer	
RCC Pipes	Reinforced Cement Concrete	
SHE	Safety, Health & Environment	
STM	Synchronous Transport Module	
TDM	Time Division Multiplexing	



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Overview

This unit is about coordinating installation and commissioning of optical fiber cables as per route plan and testing the effectiveness of joints







Unit Code	TEL/N6402				
Unit Title (Task)	Co-ordinate Installation & Commissioning of Optical fiber cables (OFC)				
Description	This unit is about coordinating activities like trenching and laying of cables for installation and commissioning of Optical Fibre Cables and testing the joints for effective transmission.				
Scope	 This unit/task covers the following: Carrying out inspection of route plan Co-ordinating trenching, laying, jointing and blowing of cables Testing effectiveness of jointing Closing the activity and documenting the test results 				
Performance Criteria (PC) w.r.t. the Scope					
Element	Performance Criteria				
Carry out Inspection of route plan and obtain necessary clearances	PC3. ensure that site is made safe and secure for cable installation in coordination with labour workers PC4. develop installation work plan and identify dependencies if any PC5. determine the statutory permissions required and the relevant authorities involved PC6. liaise with authorities and obtain relevant clearances				
Arrange for tools spares	PC1. ensure availability of test equipments like OTDR and Power meter for carrying out optical tests PC2. ensure availability of all required trenching, cable laying, pipe laying, OFC laying and splicing equipments and spares for timely completion of installation				

PC3. ensure that faulty equipments are sent to logistics team for repair and

PC2. ensure trenching is carried out by labour workers as per the route plan

ensure cable drum is placed near site location and test cable on drum for

To be competent, the user/individual on the job must be able to:

replacement

optical continuity

requirements and site terrain

PC1.

activities

Coordinate trenching,

cable laying, jointing

and cable blowing







Co-ordinate Installation & Commissioning of Optical Fiber Cables (OFC)				
	PC3. ensure minimum radius is maintained, where bends are necessary			
	PC4. ensure use of specially designed dispensers to place the ducts in the trench as			
	straight as possible			
	PC5. ensure pipe/ ducts are placed at lower appropriate depths as per the laying			
	standards after approval from competent personnel			
	PC6. ensure that ducts are free from twists, collapsed portions and that all such			
	portions are rectified by using appropriate couplers			
	PC7. ensure proper uncoiling of PLB ducts			
	PC8. ensure duct joints are airtight to ensure smooth cable blowing using cable			
	blowing machines			
	PC9. ensure cable blowing/jetting is carried out using rodder as per standard			
	process			
	PC10. ensure availability of additional cable length (loop) at jointing locations, for			
	future use in case of failures			
	PC11. ensure that ends of ducts are closed with End Plugs to avoid ingress of mud,			
	water or dust			
	PC12. ensure that entire length of the duct is cleaned to remove sand, dust that may			
	damage the optical fiber cable			
	PC13. ensure that cables are appropriately prepared for Jointing based on colour			
	and/ or sequence matching			
	PC14. ensure the cables are joined/ spliced by Optical fibre splicer as per the standard			
	fusion/ mechanical splicing mechanisms			
	PC15. ensure use of proper protection material such as GI pipes, RCC pipes, RCC half-			
	cut pipes etc.			
	PC16. ensure use of Pushfit couplers as duct joints			
	PC17. identify instances of cross fibre using power source and power meter tests and			
	ensure their elimination			
	PC18. ensure appropriate optical connectors are used as per the terminating			
	equipment requirements			
	PC19. verify if ducts require additional protection like cover of RCC pipes, chambering			
	and concreting based on site location and terrain			
	PC20. ensure installation activity is completed within the defined SLAs			
	PC21. ensure timely completion of work by monitoring activities performed by the			
	labour workers and optical splicers			
	PC22. ensure compliance to enterprise policy while escalating instances of delays			
	To be competent, the user/individual on the job must be able to:			
	PC1. ensure use of appropriate color for the route indicators and joint indicators as			
Test effectiveness &	per standards			
	PC2. ensure splices are within the quality assurance/ AT standards			
close activity	PC3. test the joint for transmission loss and strength and re-terminate the joint if			
	the transmission loss exceeds the manufacturer's specifications			
	PC4. ensure backfilling and crowning in coordination with the labour workers as per			
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	standard requirements
	PC5. ensure stone marker at the jointing pit has to be provided for identification of
	route as well as jointing pit
	PC6. ensure appropriate cable markings as per guidelines
	PC7. ensure updation of As-build documents based on joint location and installed
	fibre route
	PC8. clear sites from debris and other items
	To be competent, the user/individual on the job must be able to:
	PC1. ensure appropriate disposal of the cut fibers, sleeves and cable pieces
	PC2. ensure compliance with site risk control, OHS, environmental and quality
	requirements as per company's norms
	PC3. ensure that work is carried out in accordance to the level of competence and
	legal requirements
	PC4. ensure that sites are assessed for health and safety risk as per company's
Hardida and Cafee	guidelines prior to commencement of work
Health and Safety	PC5. ensure compliance to health and safety guidelines by optical splicer and
	installation labour workers
	PC6. ensure that Personal protection equipments like helmets, knee pads, safety
	boots, safety glasses and trench guards are appropriately used as required
	PC7. ensure environmental conditions and hazards like Earth Potential Rise (EPR)
	are considered while carrying out the work
	PC8. ensure adherence to emergency plans in case of safety incidents
	PC9. ensure escalation of safety incidents to relevant authorities as per guidelines
	legal requirements
	To be appropriate the user/individual on the individual to the individual to
	To be competent, the user/individual on the job must be able to:
	PC1. ensure cable id/ make and drum numbers are recorded for future fault
	localization
	PC2. ensure OTDR finding are documented & summary of tests are shared with
Report & Record	appropriate teams
	PC3. obtain sign-off from the projects team and communicate status to NOC for
	cable integration
	PC4. ensure that documents are available to all appropriate authorities to inspect
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Knowledge and Unders	standing (K)
A. Organizational	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand:
Context	KA1. risk and impact of not following defined procedures/work instructions
(Knowledge of the	KA2. escalation matrix for reporting identified incidents, troubles and/or
company /	emergencies e.g. system failures ,fire and power failures
organization and	KA3. clearances/ municipal approvals that are required prior to carrying out the
its processes)	installation work
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	KA4. types of documentation in organization and importance of the same		
	KA5. records to be maintained and implications of non-maintenance of the same		
	KA6. knowledge of spare management and repair & return process for faulty		
	equipments		
	KA7. SHE and OHS guidelines and regulations as per company's norms		
	KA8. personal protection equipments like helmets, knee pads, safety boots, safety		
	glasses and trench guards that are required to be used		
	KA9. first aid requirements in case of electrical shocks, cuts, fall and other common		
	injuries		
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	KA10. electrical and chemical, environmenal related hazards and precautionary		
	measures		
	KA11. usage of fire safety equipments		
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand:		
	KB1. principles of optical transport media and OFC communication		
	KB2. knowledge of Optical fiber characteristics like refraction, polarization,		
	attenuation, dispersion		
D. Tankainal	KB3. bands in optical fibre and their usability, loss characteristics		
B. Technical	KB4. signal strength and quality KPIs – design values and margins		
Knowledge	KB5. functionality of optical equipments like cleaver, mechanical and fusion splicing		
	kit, protection sleeves, fiber stripper, fiber reinforced plaster during splicing		
	and jointing		
	KB6. functionality of optical test equipments like OTDR and power meter		
	KB7. optimal values of OTDR, Power meter and light meter test results		
	KB8. utility of As-build route diagrams		
	KB9. standard trenching, cable laying, pit preparation, splicing, jointing, blowing and		
	back-filling process for installation of OFC cables		
	KB10. different types of OFC connectors based on the type of equipments		
Skills (S)			
	Basic Reading & Writing Skills		
	The user/ individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:		
	SA1. fill up appropriate technical forms, activity logs in required format of the		
	company		
	SA2. maintain proper records as per given format		
	SA3. read and understand manuals, work orders, health and safety instructions,		
A. Core Skills/	memos, reports etc.		
Generic Skills	Communication Skills		
	The user/ individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:		
	SA4. liaise and coordinate with third party vendors		
	SA5. communicate with supervisor and peers		
	SA6. communicate in the local language		
	Project Management Skills		







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	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:
	SA7. prioritize and execute tasks in a high-pressure environment and handle high
	pressure situations
	SA8. handle multiple tasks and completing them successfully within due timelines
	SA9. use and maintain resources efficiently and effectively
	SA10. be flexible and accept changes in job requirements, schedules, or work
	environments
	Other Skills
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:
	SA11. interpret test reports, as made route diagrams and other numerical data
	SA12. create and maintain effective working relationships and team environment
	SA13. take initiatives and progressively assume increased responsibilities
	SA14. share knowledge with other team members and colleagues
	Equipment operating Skills
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:
	SB1. utilize appropriate optical equipments like cleaver, mechanical and fusion
	splicing kit, protection sleeves, fiber stripper, fiber reinforced plaster during
	splicing and jointing
	SB2. operate optical test equipments like OTDR and power meter
	OFC splicing and splice testing skills
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:
	SB3. undertake GPS based route survey to capture appropriate site details
	SB4. utilize appropriate fiber like single mode and multi mode optical fibre based on
	specific requirements
	SB5. lay duct using specially designed dispensers
	SB6. carry out splicing in a manner ensuring minimum reflectance loss, optical
B. Professional Skills	return loss, insertion loss
	SB7. perform optical link testing as per standard process
	SB8. utilize appropriate optical test equipments like OTDR, power meter based on
	test requirements
	SB9. perform OFC tests for quality check or Acceptance testing
	SB10. prepare test reports in the specified formats
	SB11. rectify deviations in the test reports by reperforming the splicing/ testing
	operations
	SB12. perform OTDR test as per standard process and summarize OTDR reports for
	records and review
	SB13. perform Power meter tests as per standard process and identify instances of
	cross-fibres
	SB14. appropriately mark/ tag cables to identify direction and route
	SB15. utilize suitable OFC connectors are used based on the termination equipment
	Technical interpretation Skills







SB1.	identify appropriate cables for splicing based on sequence or color coding to
	avoid occurrence of instances of cross fibers

- SB16. interpret As made documents and perform update based on actual cable routes, joints
- SB17. interpret OTDR and power meter test results to identify and localize faults and/ or measure optical losses
- SB18. interpret optical link testing results to ensure link margins

Problem solving Skills

The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:

The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:

- SB19. utilize appropriate tools to rectify faults
- SB20. utilize appropriate communication channels to escalate unresolved problems to relevant personnel









Co-ordinate Installation & Commissioning of Optical Fiber Cables (OFC)

NOS Version Control

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Overview

This unit is about carrying out condition based maintenance and planned repair activities of OFC cables to ensure network availability and high quality network transmission







Undertake Condition based Maintenance & Planned repair activities

Unit Code	TEL/N6403		
Unit Title (Task)	Undertake Condition based Maintenance & Planned repair activities		
Description	It involves Carrying out planned maintenance testing and repairs and carrying out condition based maintenance of equipments deployed at POPs		
Scope	 This unit/task covers the following: Patroling assigned cable routes Carrying out planned maintenance testing and repairs Carrying out condition based maintenance of equipments deployed at POPs Closing the activity and documenting the test results 		
Performance Criteria (F	PC) w.r.t. the Scope		
Element	Performance Criteria		
Obtain maintenance schedule and patrol assigned route section	To be competent, the user/individual on the job must be able to: PC1. ensure As-build drawing is obtained from the NOC/ supervisors and identify the OFC route assigned for maintenance PC2. ensure availability of optical test tools like OTDR, Power meter, Light meter PC3. ensure patrolling and surveillance of OFC route as per the maintenance plan PC4. ensure monitoring of jobs undertaken by other agencies in the vicinity of OFC network to ensure the safety of OFC cable PC5. coordinate and liaise with authorities for checking for any planned construction/ activity in the vicinity of the OFC PC6. ensure sample check of as-built drawings PC7. ensure changes to as-build drawings are communicated to the NOC/ supervisors for updating the document		
Arrange for tools and spares	To be competent, the user/individual on the job must be able to: PC1. ensure availability of test equipments like OTDR and Power meter for carrying out optical tests PC2. ensure availability of optical equipments like spool, joint closure, connectors, splicers and cleaver PC3. ensure inputs based on test results are provided to planning team for developing route strengthening workplans		
Carry out maintenance testing of dark/ spare OFC	To be competent, the user/individual on the job must be able to: PC1. ensure performance of OTDR, Power Meter tests for all the dark/ spare fibers as per required periodicity PC2. ensure testing of end-to-end link for adherence to link budget and identify loss and reflection points		







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	PC3. ensure inputs based on test results are provided to planning team for
	developing route strengthening workplans
	To be competent, the user/individual on the job must be able to:
Carry out planned repairs to the OFC	 PC1. coordinate with Network Operating Centre (NOC) prior to undertaking the planned repair activities and obtain time block for carrying out the activity PC2. ensure that the planned repair activities are completed within the defined timelines PC3. confirm effectiveness of the planned repair process by carrying out optical tests on spare fibers PC4. in case, active fibers are to be used for testing, fibres are to be used, ensure precautions are taken with regard to the power launched on to the fibre PC5. ensure installation activity is completed within the defined SLAs PC6. ensure compliance to enterprise policy while escalating instances of delays PC7. ensure timely escalation of emergency/ unresolved issues according to established Company's procedure
Carry out maintenance of equipments at Points of Presence (POPs)	PC1. conduct periodic (monthly, quarterly, half yearly) maintenance activities PC2. ensure completion of physical maintenance tasks like checking battery voltage levels, electrolyte levels; DG set auto-start, oil levels; Air conditioner gas level, filter condition; Earthing, Fire alarm system and other power equipments (including MCBs) PC3. ensure general upkeep of co-located electronic equipments and ensure testing of alarms in coordination of NOC PC4. ensure that live/ working fibres are not disturbed while testing PC5. carry out planned repairs to existing joints and terminations in co-ordination with NCC for improvement of link margin PC6. ensure that for 3rd party elements that require maintenance, tickets are raised to the respective vendors by the NOC team
Health and Safety	To be competent, the user/individual on the job must be able to: PC1. ensure appropriate disposal of the cut fibers, sleeves and cable pieces PC2. ensure compliance with site risk control, OHS, environmental and quality requirements as per company's norms PC3. ensure that work is carried out in accordance to the level of competence and legal requirements PC4. ensure that sites are assessed for health and safety risk as per company's guidelines prior to commencement of work PC5. ensure compliance to health and safety guidelines by optical splicer and installation labour workers PC6. ensure that Personal protection equipments like helmets, knee pads, safety







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	boots, safety glasses and trench guards are appropriately used as required PC7. ensure environmental conditions and hazards like Earth Potential Rise (EPR) are considered while carrying out the work PC8. ensure escalation of safety incidents to relevant authorities as per guidelines legal requirements
Report & Record	 PC1. ensure completion of Patrolling register showing complete log in chronological order Kilometer wise of the patrolling in the section PC2. ensure completion of OFC/OTDR register showing complete record of all fibers tests PC3. keep account of diesel oil at respective stations and ensure maintenance of assets register for sites under supervision PC4. ensure summary of OTDR finding is to be made & sent to the respective territory manager for planning and monitoring cable improvement works PC5. ensure that documents are available to all appropriate authorities to inspect
Knowledge and Unders	standing (K)
A. Organizational Context (Knowledge of the company / organization and its processes)	 The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand: KA1. risk and impact of not following defined procedures/work instructions KA2. escalation matrix for reporting identified incidents, troubles and/ or emergencies e.g. system failures ,fire and power failures KA3. types of documentation in organization and importance of the same KA4. records to be maintained and implications of non-maintenance of the same KA5. knowledge of spare management and repair & return process for faulty equipments KA6. SHE and OHS guidelines and regulations as per company's norms KA7. personal protection equipments like helmets, knee pads, safety boots, safety glasses and trench guards that are required to be used KA8. first aid requirements in case of electrical shocks, cuts, fall and other common injuries KA9. electrical and chemical, environmenal related hazards and precautionary measures KA10. usage of fire safety equipments
B. Technical Knowledge	 The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand: KB1. principles of optical transport media and OFC communication KB2. knowledge of Optical fiber characteristics like refraction, polarization, attenuation, dispersion KB3. bands in optical fibre and their usability, loss characteristics KB4. signal strength and quality KPIs – design values and margins KB5. functionality of optical equipments like cleaver, mechanical and fusion splicing kit, protection sleeves, fiber stripper, fiber reinforced plaster during splicing







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	and jointing
	KB6. functionality of optical test equipments like OTDR and power meter
	KB7. optimal values of OTDR, Power meter and light meter test results
	KB8. functionality of passive infrastructure equipments like DG set, PIU panel,
	Transformer, SMPS, Air Conditioner, Battery
	KB9. need and requirement of earthing the equipments
	KB10. mechanism to maintain the earthing pit to absolute zero
	KB11. utility of As made route diagrams
	KB12. standard trenching, cable laying, pit preparation, splicing, jointing, blowing and
	back-filling process for installation of OFC cables
	KB13. different types of OFC connectors based on the type of equipments
	KB14. standard maintenance process for optical fiber cables and STM equipments
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Skills (S)	
	Basic Reading & Writing Skills
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:
	SA1. fill up appropriate technical forms, activity logs in required format of the
	company
	SA2. maintain proper records as per given format
	SA3. read and understand manuals, work orders, health and safety instructions,
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	Communication Skills
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A. Core Skills/ Generic Skills	Project Management Skills
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	SA7. prioritize and execute tasks in a high-pressure environment and handle high
	pressure situations
	SA8. handle multiple tasks and completing them successfully within due timelines
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	SA10. be flexible and accept changes in job requirements, schedules, or work
	environments
	Other Skills
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:
	SA11. interpret test reports, as made route diagrams and other numerical data
	SA12. create and maintain effective working relationships and team environment
	SA13. take initiatives and progressively assume increased responsibilities
	SA14. share knowledge with other team members and colleagues
B. Professional Skills	Equipment operating Skills







Undertake Condition based Maintenance & Planned repair activities

The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:

- SB1. utilize appropriate optical equipments like cleaver, mechanical and fusion splicing kit, protection sleeves, fiber stripper, fiber reinforced plaster during splicing and jointing
- SB2. operate optical test equipments like OTDR and power meter
- SB3. operate passive infrastructure equipments like DG set, PIU panel, Earthing systems, Transformer, SMPS, Air Conditioner, Battery

OFC splicing and splice testing skills

The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:

- SB4. carry out splicing in a manner ensuring minimum reflectance loss, optical return loss, insertion loss
- SB5. perform optical link testing as per standard process
- SB6. utilize appropriate optical test equipments like OTDR, power meter based on test requirements
- SB7. perform OTDR test as per standard process and summarize OTDR reports for records and review
- SB8. perform Power meter tests as per standard process and identify instances of cross-fibres
- SB9. appropriately mark/ tag cables to identify direction and route
- SB10. utilize suitable OFC connectors are used based on the termination equipment

Technical interpretation Skills

The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:

- SB11. identify appropriate cables for splicing based on sequence or color coding to avoid occurrence of instances of cross fibers
- SB12. interpret As made documents and perform update based on actual cable routes, joints
- SB13. interpret OTDR and power meter test results to identify and localize faults and/ or measure optical losses
- SB14. interpret optical link testing results to ensure link margins

Problem solving skills

The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:

- SB15. utilize appropriate tools and commands to rectify faults
- SB16. utilize appropriate communication channels to escalate unresolved problems to relevant personnel



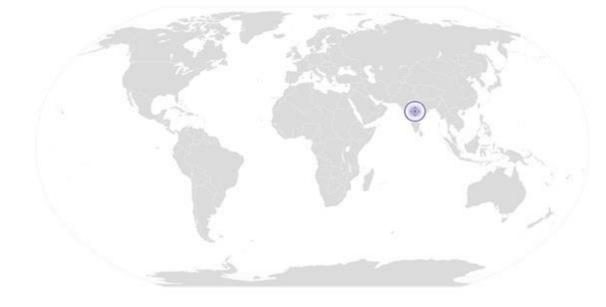




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Overview

This unit is about carrying out corrective maintenance/ fault management of OFC to ensure network availability and high quality network transmission



NOS National Occupational Standards



Perform corrective maintenance/restoration of optical faults

Unit Code	TEL/N6404		
Unit Title (Task)	Perform corrective maintenance/ restoration of optical faults		
Description	This unit is about carrying out corrective maintenance/ fault management of OFC to ensure network availability and high quality network transmission. It is critical to ensure timely response to work orders and implement the change appropriately.		
Scope	This unit/task covers the following: Ensure timely response to the change work orders Implement change work order and test effectiveness of change Reporting and documenting the status		
Performance Criteria (F	PC) w.r.t. the Scope		
Element	Performance Criteria		
Handling fault notifications on prompt basis	To be competent, the user/individual on the job must be able to: PC1. receive fault notification from NOC/ supervisors/ customers and obtain details of response time/ SLAs PC2. ensure that latest As-build drawing is obtained from the NOC/ supervisors		
Arrange for tools and spares	To be competent, the user/individual on the job must be able to: PC1. ensure availability of test equipments like OTDR and Power meter for carryin out optical tests PC2. ensure availability of optical equipments like spool, joint closure, connectors, splicers and cleaver PC3. ensure that faulty equipments are sent to logistics team for repair and replacement		
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Knowledge and Unders	tanding (K)
A. Organizational Context (Knowledge of the company / organization and its processes)	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand: KA1. risk and impact of not following defined procedures/work instructions KA2. escalation matrix for reporting identified incidents, troubles and/ or emergencies e.g. system failures ,fire and power failures KA3. types of documentation in organization and importance of the same KA4. records to be maintained and implications of non-maintenance of the same KA5. knowledge of spare management and repair & return process for faulty equipments KA6. SHE and OHS guidelines and regulations as per company's norms KA7. personal protection equipments like helmets, knee pads, safety boots, safety glasses and trench guards that are required to be used KA8. first aid requirements in case of electrical shocks, cuts, fall and other common injuries KA9. electrical and chemical, environmenal related hazards and precautionary







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	measures
	KA10. usage of fire safety equipments
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand:
	KB1. principles of optical transport media and OFC communication
	attenuation, dispersion
	KB3. bands in optical fibre and their usability, loss characteristics
D. Tachnical	KB4. signal strength and quality KPIs – design values and margins
B. Technical	KB5. functionality of optical equipments like cleaver, mechanical and fusion splicing
Knowledge	kit, protection sleeves, fiber stripper, fiber reinforced plaster during splicing
	and jointing
	KB6. functionality of optical test equipments like OTDR and power meter
	KB7. optimal values of OTDR, Power meter and light meter test results
	KB8. utility of As made route diagrams
	KB9. standard trenching, cable laying, pit preparation, splicing, jointing, blowing and
	back-filling process for installation of OFC cables
	KB10. different types of OFC connectors based on the type of equipments
	KB11. standard process and need for performing duct integrity tests like air tightness
	tests and kink free tests
Skills (S)	
	Basic Reading & Writing Skills
	The user/ individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:
	SA1. fill up appropriate technical forms, activity logs in required format of the
	company
	SA2. maintain proper records as per given format
	SA3. read and understand manuals, work orders, health and safety instructions,
	memos, reports etc.
	Communication Skills
	The user/ individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:
A. Core Skills/	SA4. liaise and coordinate with third party vendors
Generic Skills	SA5. communicate with supervisor and peers
	SA6. communicate in the local language
	Project Management Skills
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	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:
	SA7. prioritize and execute tasks in a high-pressure environment and handle high
	pressure situations
	SA8. handle multiple tasks and completing them successfully within due timelines
	SA9. use and maintain resources efficiently and effectively
	SA10. be flexible and accept changes in job requirements, schedules, or work
	environments







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	Other Skills			
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:			
	SA11. interpret test reports, as made route diagrams and other numerical data			
	SA12. create and maintain effective working relationships and team environment			
	SA13. take initiatives and progressively assume increased responsibilities			
	SA14. share knowledge with other team members and colleagues			
	quipment operating Skills			
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:			
	SB1. utilize appropriate optical equipments like cleaver, mechanical and fusion			
	splicing kit, protection sleeves, fiber stripper, fiber reinforced plaster during			
	splicing and jointing			
	SB2. operate optical test equipments like OTDR and power meter			
	SB3. operate passive infrastructure equipments like DG set, PIU panel, Earthing			
	systems, Transformer, SMPS, Air Conditioner, Battery			
	OFC splicing and splice testing skills			
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:			
	SB4. carry out splicing in a manner ensuring minimum reflectance loss, optical			
	return loss, insertion loss			
	SB5. perform optical link testing as per standard process			
	SB6. utilize appropriate optical test equipments like OTDR, power meter based on			
	test requirements			
	SB7. perform OTDR test as per standard process and summarize OTDR reports for			
B. Professional Skills	records and review			
	SB8. perform Power meter tests as per standard process and identify instances of			
	cross-fibres			
	SB9. utilize suitable OFC connectors are used based on the termination equipment			
	Technical interpretation Skills			
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:			
	SB10. identify appropriate cables for splicing based on sequence or color coding to			
	avoid occurrence of instances of cross fibers			
	SB11. interpret As made documents and perform update based on actual cable			
	routes, joints			
	SB12. interpret OTDR and power meter test results to identify and localize faults and/			
	or measure optical losses			
	SB13. interpret optical link testing results to ensure link margins			
	Problem solving skills			
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:			
	SB14. utilize appropriate tools and commands to rectify faults			
	SB15. utilize appropriate communication channels to escalate unresolved problems			
	to relevant personnel			



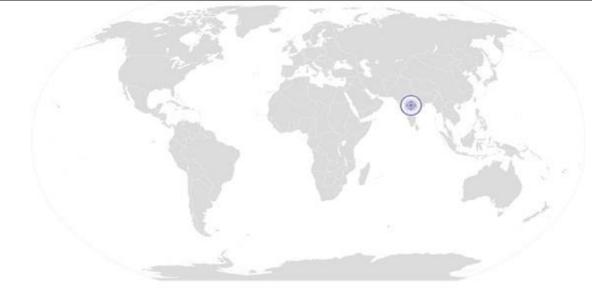




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Job Role Optical Fiber Technician

Qualification PackTEL/Q6401Sector Skill CouncilTelecom

Guidelines for Assessment:

- 1. Criteria for assessment for each Qualification Pack will be created by the Sector Skill Council. Each Performance Criteria (PC) will be assigned marks proportional to its importance in NOS. SSC will also lay down proportion of marks for Theory and Skills Practical for each PC.
- 2. The assessment for the theory part will be based on knowledge bank of questions created by the SSC.
- 3. Individual assessment agencies will create unique question papers for theory part for each candidate at each examination/training center (as per assessment criteria below)
- 4. To pass the Qualification Pack, every trainee should score a minimum of 40% in every NOS and 50% overall.
- 5. In case of successfully passing only certain number of NOS's, the trainee is eligible to take subsequent assessment on the balance NOS's to pass the Qualification Pack.

					Marks Allocation	
NOS Title	Element	Performance Criteria	Total Mark (300)	Out Of	Theory	Skills Practical
TEL/N6402 (Co-ordinate Installation & Commissioning of Optical fiber cables)	obtain necessary clearances	PC1. obtain OFC route plan from the planning team or the supervisors as per which OFC has to be laid PC2. verify the proposed route to ensure that bend ratios meet manufacturer's specifications and industry standards PC3. ensure that site is made safe and secure for cable installation in coordination with labour workers PC4. develop installation work plan and identify dependencies if any	100	10	5	5
		PC5. determine the statutory permissions required and the relevant authorities involved PC6. liaise with authorities and obtain relevant clearances				
		PC1. ensure availability of test equipments like OTDR and Power meter for carrying out optical tests PC2. ensure availability of all required trenching, cable laying, pipe laying, OFC laying and splicing equipments and spares for timely completion of installation activity PC3. ensure that faulty equipments are sent to logistics team for repair and replacement PC4. ensure calibration status of equipments to be used (eg.splicing machine, OTDR, power meter, cleaver)		10	10	

Coordinate trenching, cable laying, jointing and cable blowing activities	PC1. ensure cable drum is placed near site location and test cable on drum for optical continuity
	PC2. ensure trenching is carried out by labour workers as per the route plan requirements and site terrain
	PC3. ensure minimum radius is maintained, where bends are necessary
	PC4. ensure use of specially designed dispensers to place the ducts in the trench as straight as possible
	PC5. ensure pipe/ ducts are placed at lower appropriate depths as per the laying standards after approval from competent personnel PC6. ensure that ducts are free from twists, collapsed portions and that all such
	portions are rectified by using appropriate couplers PC7. ensure proper uncoiling of PLB ducts PC8. ensure duct joints are airtight to ensure smooth cable blowing using cable
	blowing machines PC9. ensure cable blowing/ jetting is carried out using rodder as per standard
	process PC10. ensure availability of additional cable length (loop) at jointing locations, for
	future use in case of failures PC11. ensure that ends of ducts are closed with End Plugs to avoid ingress of mud,
	water or dust
	PC12. ensure that entire length of the duct is cleaned to remove sand, dust that may damage the optical fiber cable
	PC13. ensure that cables are appropriately prepared for Jointing based on colour and/or sequence matching
	PC14. ensure the cables are joined/spliced by Optical fibre splicer as per the standard fusion/ mechanical splicing mechanisms
	PC15. ensure use of proper protection material such as GI pipes, RCC pipes, RCC half- cut pipes etc.
	PC16. ensure use of Pushfit couplers as duct joints
	PC17. identify instances of cross fibre using power source and power meter tests and ensure their elimination
	PC18. ensure appropriate optical connectors are used as per the terminating equipment requirements
	PC19. verify if ducts require additional protection like cover of RCC pipes, chambering and concreting based on site location and terrain
	PC20. ensure installation activity is completed within the defined SLAs
	PC21. ensure timely completion of work by monitoring activities performed by the labour workers and optical splicers
	PC22. ensure compliance to enterprise policy while escalating instances of delays
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Test effectiveness & close activity	PC1. ensure use of appropriate color for the route indicators and joint indicators as per standards
	PC2. ensure splices are within the quality assurance/ AT standards

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		PC3. ensure patrolling and surveillance of OFC route as per the maintenance plan	ł					
an additional		PC2. ensure availability of optical test tools like OTDR, Power meter, Light meter	}					
ed Maintenance & Planned air activities)	patrol assigned route section	OFC route assigned for maintenance						
		and PC1. ensure As-build drawing is obtained from the NOC/ supervisors and identify the	100	10			10	
			Total		100		75	25
		PC4. ensure that documents are available to all appropriate authorities to inspect						
		PC3. obtain sign-off from the projects team and communicate status to NOC for cable integration	<u> </u>					
		appropriate teams	}					
		localization PC2. ensure OTDR finding are documented & summary of tests are shared with	†					
	Report & Record	PC1. ensure cable id/ make and drum numbers are recorded for future fault		10		10	+	
		legal requirements	ļ					
		PCS. ensure agnerance to emergency plans in case of safety incidents PC9. ensure escalation of safety incidents to relevant authorities as per guidelines	+					
		are considered while carrying out the work PC8. ensure adherence to emergency plans in case of safety incidents						
		PC7. ensure environmental conditions and hazards like Earth Potential Rise (EPR)						
		boots, safety glasses and trench guards are appropriately used as required]					
		PC6. ensure that Personal protection equipments like helmets, knee pads, safety	†					
		PC5. ensure compliance to health and safety guidelines by optical splicer and installation labour workers						
		guidelines prior to commencement of work						
		PC4. ensure that sites are assessed for health and safety risk as per company's	İ					
		PC3. ensure that work is carried out in accordance to the level of competence and legal requirements						
		requirements as per company's norms	<u> </u>					
		PC2. ensure compliance with site risk control, OHS, environmental and quality	İ					
		PC1. ensure appropriate disposal of the cut fibers, sleeves and cable pieces				10		
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		PC8. clear sites from debris and other items						
		fibre route						
		PC7. ensure updation of As-build documents based on joint location and installed	†					
		PC6. ensure appropriate cable markings as per guidelines	†					
		PC5. ensure stone marker at the jointing pit has to be provided for identification of route as well as jointing pit						
		standard requirements	ļ					
		PC4. ensure backfilling and crowning in coordination with the labour workers as per	Ī	1				

	PC4. ensure monitoring of jobs undertaken by other agencies in the vicinity of OFC
	network to ensure the safety of OFC cable
	PC5. coordinate and liaise with authorities for checking for any planned
	construction/ activity in the vicinity of the OFC
	PC6. ensure sample check of as-built drawings
	PC7. ensure changes to as-build drawings are communicated to the NOC/
	supervisors for updating the document
Arrange for tools and spares	PC1. ensure availability of test equipments like OTDR and Power meter for carrying out optical tests
	PC2. ensure availability of optical equipments like spool, joint closure, connectors, splicers and cleaver
	PC3. ensure inputs based on test results are provided to planning team for developing route strengthening workplans
	PC4. ensure calibration status of equipments to be used (eg.splicing machine, OTDR, power meter, cleaver)
Carry out maintenance testing of dark/ spare OFC	PC1. ensure performance of OTDR, Power Meter tests for all the dark/ spare fibers as per required periodicity
	PC2. ensure testing of end-to-end link for adherence to link budget and identify loss and reflection points
	PC3. ensure inputs based on test results are provided to planning team for developing route strengthening workplans
Carry out planned repairs to the	
OFC	PC1. coordinate with Network Operating Centre (NOC) prior to undertaking the planned repair activities and obtain time block for carrying out the activity
	PC2. ensure that the planned repair activities are completed within the defined timelines
	PC3. confirm effectiveness of the planned repair process by carrying out optical tests on spare fibers
	PC4. in case, active fibers are to be used for testing, fibres are to be used, ensure precautions are taken with regard to the power launched on to the fibre
	PC5. ensure installation activity is completed within the defined SLAs
	PC6. ensure compliance to enterprise policy while escalating instances of delays
	PC7. ensure timely escalation of emergency/ unresolved issues according to established Company's procedure
Carry out maintenance of	
equipments at Points of Presence	PC1. conduct periodic (monthly, quarterly, half yearly) maintenance activities

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		PC5. ensure that documents are available to all appropriate authorities to inspe	ct C				
		territory manager for planning and monitoring cable improvement works					
		PC4. ensure summary of OTDR finding is to be made & sent to the respective					
		assets register for sites under supervision	_				
		tests PC3. keep account of diesel oil at respective stations and ensure maintenance of	_				
		order Kilometer wise of the patrolling in the section PC2. ensure completion of OFC/OTDR register showing complete record of all fibe	rs				
	Report & Record	PC1. ensure completion of Patrolling register showing complete log in chronologic	al	10	10	0	
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	Health and Safety	PC1. ensure appropriate disposal of the cut fibers, sleeves and cable pieces		10	10	0	
		PC6. ensure that for 3rd party elements that require maintenance, tickets are raised to the respective vendors by the NOC team					
		with NCC for improvement of link margin	_				
		PC5. carry out planned repairs to existing joints and terminations in co-ordination					
		PC4. ensure that live/ working fibres are not disturbed while testing					
		PC3. ensure general upkeep of co-located electronic equipments and ensure testi of alarms in coordination of NOC	ng				
		condition; Earthing, Fire alarm system and other power equipments (including MCBs)	_				
		PC2. ensure completion of physical maintenance tasks like checking battery voltage levels, electrolyte levels; DG set auto-start, oil levels; Air conditioner gas level, filter	´				

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