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**RE: Intimation under Regulation 30 read with Para B of Part A of Schedule III to the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015.**

**Subject: Press Release: HFCL joins O-RAN ALLIANCE to accelerate open innovation in 5G.**

Dear Sir(s)/ Madam,

We are pleased to announce to all our stakeholders that HFCL Limited has joined the O-RAN ALLIANCE, a world-wide community of mobile network operators, vendors and research & academic institutions operating in the Radio Access Network (RAN) industry.

HFCL is investing in building a complete portfolio of products for 5G Radio Access Network and 5G transport equipment that include 8T8R/32T32R Macro RU, Indoor/Outdoor Small Cell, Cell Site Router and Aggregation Routers for fronthaul, midhaul and backhaul.

We are also enclosing a Press Release in this connection.

We request to take the above information on your records and disseminate the same on your respective websites.

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully,  
For **HFCL Limited**

**(Manoj Baid)**  
Senior Vice-President (Corporate) &  
Company Secretary

**Encl.:** Press Release.



**Press Release**  
**For immediate Release**

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## **HFCL joins O-RAN ALLIANCE TO ACCELERATE OPEN INNOVATION IN 5G**

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**Delhi, India – February 21, 2022:** HFCL Limited (“**HFCL**”) (NSE: HFCL & BSE: 500183) announced today that HFCL has joined the O-RAN ALLIANCE, a world-wide community of mobile network operators, vendors, and research & academic institutions operating in the Radio Access Network (RAN) industry. O-RAN ALLIANCE’s mission is to re-shape the RAN industry towards more intelligent, open, virtualized and fully interoperable mobile networks. The O-RAN standards enable a more competitive and vibrant RAN supplier ecosystem with faster innovation to improve user experience. O-RAN based mobile networks at the same time improve the efficiency of RAN deployments as well as operations by the mobile operators.

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As an O-RAN ALLIANCE member, HFCL will focus on contributing to standards that ensure a true open and multi-vendor RAN network with emphasis on fronthaul, beamforming, Near-Real-Time RAN Intelligent Controller (RIC), Service Management & Orchestration (SMO), and end-to-end test specifications. HFCL will also focus on integration and validation of its 5G Macro RU products and solutions at plugfests with other O-RAN ALLIANCE members and contributors.

*“We are excited to be a part of the O-RAN ALLIANCE and look forward to work with alliance members to realize the benefits of O-RAN”* said Mr. Mahendra Nahata, Managing Director at HFCL.

He further added *“Open networking based on a well-defined architecture and pre-validated solution will enable operators to have increased supplier diversity, accelerate innovation, reduce CAPEX/OPEX, and quick roll-out of 5G networks.”*

HFCL’s 5G Macro Radio Unit (RU) products are based on O-RAN 7.2 split option that provides an open fronthaul interface towards any O-RAN based third party Distributed Unit (DU). The Company is investing in a state of the art 5G Lab at its R&D center in Bangalore for demonstration of various O-RAN use cases and deployment scenarios. The test beds leverage O-RAN architecture and AI/ML to enable network intelligence and closed loop automation through open and standardized interfaces in a multi-vendor network.

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## About HFCL

HFCL Limited is a leading technology enterprise engaged in manufacturing of high-end Transmission and Access Equipment, Optical Fiber, Optical Fiber Cables (OFC) and is specialized in setting up modern communication network for Telecom Service Providers, Railways and Defence.

The Company has state-of-the-art Optical Fiber and Optical Fiber Cable manufacturing plants at Hyderabad, Optical Fiber Cable manufacturing plant in Goa and in its subsidiary i.e. HTL Limited at Chennai along with FRP and ARP Rod manufacturing plant in its subsidiary at Hosur.

The Company's in-house Centre for Excellence in Research located at Gurgaon & Bengaluru along with invested R&D Houses and other collaborators at different locations in India and abroad, innovate futuristic range of technology products and solutions. Some of the newly developed products through R&D are Wi-Fi Systems, Unlicensed Band Radios, Switches, Electronic Fuses, Electro optic devices, and Video Management Systems. There is a suite of products under development, which include Software Defined Radios, Routers, PON, 5G Transport and Radio products, Wi-Fi 6 access points, Point-to-multipoint Radios and Ground Surveillance Radars among others.

Visit [www.hfcl.com](http://www.hfcl.com) for more information.

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