

**Replies to Bidder's Queries (Batch-8)**  
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<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Queries</b>	<b>Document Ref:</b>	<b>USF Response</b>
1	Is the installation and activation of ONT/ONU equipment mandatory at all passive nodes (Village/UC)?	Schedule A (Part 1) of SSA	The scope of USF project is limited to the provision of backhaul connectivity up to the Village/Union Council (UC) level. Accordingly, the installation and activation of ONT/ONU equipment at all passive nodes (Village/UC) is not mandatory under the USF project scope. For details of requirements at Passive nodes, please refer to clause 1e of Schedule A (Part I) of SSA.