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Subject: Press Release - HFCL Introduces the OptiQ AI™ Brand for its End-to-End Optical Connectivity Portfolio

Dear Sir(s)/ Madam,

Attached please find herewith the Press Release on the captioned subject being issued today.

We request you to kindly take the same on your record and disseminate it on your website.

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully,
For **HFCL Limited**

(Manoj Baid)
President & Company Secretary



**Press Release
For Immediate Release**

HFCL Introduces the OptiQ AI™ Brand for its End-to-End Optical Connectivity Portfolio

- HFCL assigns a unified identity, OptiQ AI™, to its existing optical connectivity portfolio serving AI, cloud and hyperscale data centre customers.
- The OptiQ AI™ portfolio is positioned to support high-bandwidth, high-density and rapid-deployment requirements of next-generation AI data centre networks.
- This integrated portfolio brings together HFCL's established data centre optical fiber cables and accessories offerings, including IBR cables, fiber cable assemblies, patch cords, pigtailed, trunks, cassettes and enclosure panels.
- For hyperscalers, this means faster deployment cycles, reduced interoperability risks, and future-ready infrastructure supporting seamless migration to 800G and 1.6T networks.

Hyderabad, July 08, 2026: HFCL Limited (HFCL), a leading global technology enterprise and innovator in telecommunications and network infrastructure, today announced **OptiQ AI™ as the unified brand identity for its integrated optical connectivity portfolio**, comprising its existing range of optical fiber cables and accessories designed for AI, cloud and hyperscale data centre environments.

The OptiQ AI™ brand is intended to create a sharper market-facing identity for HFCL's established optical connectivity capabilities, which are already being offered to customers. OptiQ AI™ brings together HFCL's proven product portfolio under a cohesive framework aligned with the evolving requirements of modern data centres, where optical connectivity has become a critical enabler of performance, scalability and operational efficiency.

As GPU clusters scale toward 100,000-GPU deployments, traditional networking infrastructure is facing mounting pressure from exponentially increasing bandwidth demands, tighter latency thresholds, growing fiber density requirements, and the need for faster deployment cycles. HFCL's OptiQ AI™ portfolio is positioned to address these requirements through an integrated offering built around five key attributes: **High Quality, Quantum Bandwidth, Densely Quantified, Quick Rollout and Q-Class Uptime.**

Together, these pillars are designed to deliver the signal integrity required for high-performance AI workloads, support the transition to 800G and 1.6T network architectures, maximize fiber density within constrained data centre footprints, accelerate deployment timelines, and enhance network reliability for mission-critical environments.

At the core of the portfolio are HFCL's Intermittently Bonded Ribbon (IBR) Cables Portfolio, supporting thousands of fiber counts in an ultra-compact form factor. The portfolio is further complemented by precision-engineered Fiber Pigtailed, Patch Cords, High-Performance Trunks, Fiber Assemblies, and a comprehensive suite of High-Density and Ultra-High-Density Cassettes and Enclosure Panels, creating an integrated optical ecosystem purpose-built for AI, cloud, and hyperscale environments. Together, these offerings can help reduce deployment complexity, support high fiber density, mitigate interoperability challenges and enhance accountability across large-scale AI and hyperscale data centre deployments.

Commenting on the portfolio identity, Mahendra Nahata, Managing Director, HFCL, said:

"Optical connectivity has moved from being a supporting layer of data centre infrastructure to becoming one of the defining foundations of the AI era. As AI clusters scale and bandwidth requirements rise sharply, customers need reliable, high-density and deployment-ready optical connectivity solutions. With OptiQ AI™, we are giving a unified identity to HFCL's established optical portfolio, reflecting the engineering depth, manufacturing strength and customer focus that we have built over the years to serve demanding AI, cloud and hyperscale environments."

He further stated that *"Industry reports project the AI optical market will grow from USD 14 billion today to USD 73 billion by 2030 driven by increasing investments in AI data centres, high-performance computing infrastructure and hyperscale cloud networks. What is clear to anyone watching this industry closely is that the supply chain for this infrastructure remains heavily concentrated in very few geographies. HFCL believes that India has a meaningful opportunity to participate in this global shift by offering competitively manufactured, high-quality optical connectivity solutions from a resilient and agile supply chain. As hyperscalers accelerate investments in next-generation data centres, demand for high-density optical connectivity solutions is expected to rise sharply. Backed by solid order pipelines, deep engineering capital, and a proven history of deploying large-scale optical technology across more than 60 countries, HFCL's localised manufacturing model provides structural cost efficiency and an agile supply chain."*

About HFCL

HFCL is a leading technology enterprise with operations in high end Telecom and Defence Equipment, Optical Fiber and Optical Fiber Cables and also creating digital networks for Telcos, Enterprises and Defence Forces. Over the years, HFCL has emerged as a trusted partner offering sustainable high-tech solutions with a commitment to providing the latest technological products to its customers. Our strong R&D expertise coupled with our global system integration services and decades of experience in Fiber optics enable us to deliver innovative digital network solutions required for the most advanced networks.

The Company's in-house R&D Centers located at Gurgaon, Bengaluru and Hyderabad along with invested R&D houses and other R&D collaborators at different locations in India and abroad, innovate a futuristic range of technology products and solutions. HFCL has developed capabilities to provide premium quality Optical Fiber and Optical Fiber Cables, state-of-the-art Telecom Products including IP-MPLS Routers, Backhaul Radios, Wi-Fi Systems and Defence products viz. Thermal Weapon Sights, Electronic Fuzes, High-Capacity Radio Relay and Surveillance Radars of different types.

HFCL operates advanced manufacturing facilities in Hyderabad, Goa, Chennai (through its subsidiary HTL Ltd.) and Hosur for defence equipment.

HFCL is a partner of choice for its customers across India, Europe, Asia Pacific, Middle East, Africa and USA. HFCL's commitment to quality and environmental sustainability inspires it to innovate solutions for the ever-evolving customer needs.

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