Office Memorandum

Subject: Delegation of powers to Regional Officers of MORTH for technical approval to the detailed estimates including layout drawings & technical proposals for rectification of identified black spots regarding.

The following delegation of powers to Regional officers of Ministry of Road Transport & Highways for technical approval to the detailed estimates including layout drawings & technical proposals for rectification of identified black spots are issued with the approval of the competent authority.

(i). Regional Officers shall forward indicative approximate cost (including centages) for rectification of the identified black spots on National Highways based on joint site inspection for all the identified black spots in their jurisdiction for administrative/financial approval except in the cases of (a) rectification of black spots involving land acquisition (b) rectification of the Black spots with estimated cost of more than Rs 50.0 Crore.

(ii). In respect of cases (a) & (b) indicated above the proposals would be forwarded to Road Safety Cell (Engineering) with comments / recommendations.

(iii). Chainage limits of black spot and the broad break up details of the indicative cost of improvements involved (Ex: cost of improvement of at-grade junction, cost of provision of service roads, cost of provision of FOB, VUP,PUP etc.) at each of the spots shall be clearly indicated.

(iv). Detailed estimates for black spot rectification including layout drawings & technical proposals up to 5% above the approved indicative cost shall be approved by ROs at their level. Guidelines for rectification of the identified black spots on National Highways, and taking up of short/ medium/ long term measures have already been circulated by Road Safety Cell (Engineering) vide OMs of even number dated 08-10-2015 and 07-12-2015. These are also placed on Ministry's web site along with the list of identified black spots.

(v). Indicative costs of the rectification of the black spots in their jurisdiction shall be sent in a single list attaching other details indicated above for approval. For tender purposes Black spots at nearby locations may be clubbed together and such details shall be indicated by ROs in their approval.

(vi). One set of complete approved estimate including layout drawings, approval letter etc., shall be forwarded to Road Safety Cell (Engineering) for reference & record.

(vii). Other aspects shall be followed as per the procedures applicable to NH (O) works.
2. In the light of the above, the indicative costs of rectification of identified black spots in their respective jurisdictions may be forwarded by the regional officers within one month. Approvals to detailed estimates for rectification of identified black spots including layout drawings & technical proposals shall be accorded by ROs before March 2017.

3. This issues with the approval of competent authority and concurrence of Finance wing vide their U.O. 2219 dated 01.09.2016.

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To,
All Regional Officers of Ministry of Road Transport & Highways

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2. PPS to ADG-I, PS to Coordinator-I, II & III, PS to CE (Road Safety).
3. PPS to JS-EIC, LA &EAP / JS (Transport), Senior Advisor (Transport Research Wing).
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