To

1. All Engineers-in-Chief and Chief Engineers of Public Works Department of States/ UTs dealing with National Highways, other centrally sponsored schemes.
2. The Director General (Border Roads), Seema Sadak Bhawan, Ring Road, New Delhi- 110 010.
3. The Chairman, National Highways Authority of India, G-5 & 6, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi-110 075.
4. The Managing Director, NHIDCL, PTI Building, New Delhi-110001

Subject: Use of polymer/rubber modified bitumen on NHs and other centrally sponsored schemes – reg.

Ministry vide its Circular No. RW/NH-33044/05/2016-S&R dated 28-03-2016 issued guidelines regarding the use of polymer/rubber modified bitumen on National Highways and other centrally sponsored schemes. Para 3 of the said circular shall be read as follows:

"Now, it is reiterated that the directions stipulated in the Ministry’s Circular No. RW/NH-33041/3/2001-S&R dated 13-06-2002 regarding the use of polymer/rubber modified bitumen for surfacing for whole length on National Highways subject to its availability may be followed by the implementing agencies."

2. Ministry vide its aforementioned circular dated 28-03-2016 had requested the implementing agencies i.e. State PWDs, BRO/NHAI etc. to submit performance feedback along with the relevant details on use of rubber/polymer modified bitumen on National Highways. However, it has been observed that performance reports by implementing agencies are not being received by the Ministry. It is of great concern and all the Project Zones and RO’s and ELO’s of the Ministry are hereby directed to coordinate with the implementing agencies and send consolidated performance reports on use of rubber/polymer modified bitumen on National Highways.

3. The contents of this Circular may be brought to the notice of all concerned in your organization.

Yours Faithfully

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2. All ROs and ELOs of the Ministry
3. Technical circular file of S&R (R) Section
4. NIC-for uploading on Ministry’s website under “What’s new”