No. CD-11012/01/2020-Coord. Government of India Ministry of Road Transport & Highways (Coordination Section)

Transport Bhawan, 1, Parliament Street, New Delhi - 110001

Dated the \" November, 2021

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: - Monthly Summary for the Cabinet for the Month of October, 2021.

A copy of the unclassified portion of the Monthly Summary (Both English & Hindi) for the Cabinet pertaining to the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways for the month of October, 2021 is enclosed herewith for information.

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To,

- 1. All members of the Council of the Ministers
- 2. Deputy Chairman, NITI Aayog, Yojana Bhavan, New Delhi
- 3. All Members of NITI Aayog, Yojana Bhavan, New Delhi. (10 spare copies)
- 4. Cabinet Secretary , Rashtrapati Bhavanm New Delhi
- 5. All Secretaries to Government of India
- 6. Information Officer, PIB, Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi

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- 1. <u>Award and construction of National Highways</u>: The Ministry has constructed 4,450 K.M. of National Highways up to October in 2021-22 as compared to 4,956 K.M. up to October in 2020-21. The award figure is 4,913 K.M. during this period as compared to 5,777 K.M. in the previous year.
- 2. Safety measures for children below four years of age, riding or being carried on a motor cycle: Ministry vide draft notification, GSR 758 (E) dated 21st October 2021, has proposed to amend rule 138 of CMVR, 1989 and has prescribed norms related to safety measures for children below four years of age, riding or being carried on a motor cycle. This draft notification specifies use of a safety harness & crash helmet and restricts speed of such motor cycles to 40 kmph.
- 3. Extension of relief measures for contractors/Developers: This Ministry has granted extension of relaxation in schedule H/G related to EPC/HAM Projects, till 31.12.2021 to improve the liquidity of funds available with the contractors and concessionaire; and also arrangement regarding payment to approved subcontractor through Escrow Account will be continued till 31.12.2021 or the completion of the work by the sub-contractor, whichever is earlier.
- 4. Scheme for grant of Award to the Good Samaritan: This Ministry has issued Guidelines for the "Scheme for grant of Award to the Good Samaritan who has saved life of a victim of a fatal accident involving a motor vehicle by administering immediate assistance and rushing to Hospital/Trauma Care Centre within Golden Hour of the accident to provide medical treatment". The Scheme mainly aims to motivate the general public to help the road accident victims in emergency situation, inspire and motivate others to save innocent lives on road. The amount of award for the Good Samaritan(s) would be 5,000/- per incident. MoRTH will provide Rs. 5 Lakhs as initial grant to the Transport Department of the State/UT for making payment to the Good Samaritans. The Scheme is effective w.e.f 15th October, 2021.
 - 5. <u>Mass Emission Standards for E12 and E15 Fuels</u>: Ministry of Road Transport and Highways notified mass emission standards for E 12 (12% ethanol with Gasoline) and E 15 (15% Ethanol with Gasoline) fuels. This will enable the Automotive Industry to manufacture E12 and E 15 complaint motor vehicles.
 - 6. Gati Shakti-National Master Plan for Multi Modal Connectivity: Hon'ble Prime Minister on 13.10.2021 inaugurated the ambitious "PM Gati Shakti-National Master Plan (NMP)" for multi modal connectivity. The Hon'ble Prime Minister highlighted the need for holistic and integrated development across departments to create next generation infrastructure by fostering 'will for progress, work for

progress, wealth for progress, plan for progress and preference for progress. It was emphasized that structured and well-coordinated engagement process is required to address needs of stakeholders and to avoid missing out key stakeholders on the ground, a careful mapping needs to be conducted for every project going forward.

- 7. Special Campaign regarding Disposal of Pending Matters: In view of Cabinet Secretariat's instructions for disposal of pending matters in the month of October, this Ministry disposed of 802 numbers of MP References, 125 State Govt. References, 1333 Public Grievances and 621 PG Appeals during special campaign. Besides, 50,500 files of MORTH and its attached offices including NHAI/NHIDCL have been reviewed and more than 25,000 files have been weeded out as per Record Retention Schedule during the period. The Ministry and its attached, subordinate and autonomous organizations have undertaken mass Cleanliness Drive in office premises as a part of campaign.
- 8. <u>Standing Finance Committee (SFC) meetings</u>: In the month of October, 2021, a total 13 nos. of projects were considered by the Standing Finance Committee. The 13 projects of length 301.084 Km and total capital cost of Rs. 6,282.82 Cr. were appraised by SFC and recommended for approval.
