To,

1. The Chief Secretaries of all the State Governments/UTs.
2. The Chairman, National Highways Authority of India, G-5 & 6, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi
3. The Managing Director, NHIDCL, PTI Building, New Delhi-110001
4. The Principal Secretaries/ Secretaries of all States/ UTs Public Works Department/Road Construction Department/ Highway Department (dealing with National Highways and other centrally sponsored schemes).
5. All Engineers-in-Chief and Chief Engineers of Public Works Department of States/ UTs, Road Construction Department/ Highways Departments (dealing with National Highways and other centrally sponsored schemes).
6. The Director General (Border Roads), Seema Sadak Bhawan, Ring Road, New Delhi- 110010.
7. All CE-Ros, Ros, ELOs & PIUs of MoRT&H.

Sub: Interest Bearing Working Capital Advance against unbilled executed work to mitigate the cash flow problems of HAM Concessionaire & EPC contractors and modification in Schedule – H of the EPC Contract- Clarification on recovery schedule for mobilization advance and interest bearing working capital advance for HAM projects reg.

Ministry vide circular No. RO/MUM/NHDP-39/2015-16 dated 09.11.2019 has issued policy guidelines for grant of interest bearing working capital advance (IBWCA) for HAM and EPC projects. This Ministry is receiving request for clarification on recovery schedule of mobilization advance and IBWCA for HAM projects as nothing is stated in this regard in circular dated 09-11-2019.

2. The recovery of mobilization advance in the HAM project is generally done along with release of first four grants of 8% of adjusted bid project cost (BPC), due at 20%, 40%, 60% and 75% of project progress (the progress % may vary in different contracts). After issuance of circular dated 09.11.2019, the concessionaire of HAM projects are also eligible for IBWCA after achieving progress of 10%, 30%, 50% and 70% in addition to mobilization advance.

2. Doubts have been raised as to whether mobilization advance recovery can be done proportionately at the time of release of IBWCA, in this regard it is clarified that the recovery of mobilization advance shall be as per the relevant provision in HAM concession agreement, unless requested by concessionaire for recovery at the time of release of IBWCA proportionately. However, the executing agency shall ensure due validity of requisite BG till the recovery of same.

Yours faithfully,
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