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*Dated, the 21st August, 1995*

To

The Secretaries (dealing with National Highways), Public Works Department of all States and Union Territories

Subject: Centage charges in respect of National Highway works

I am directed to say that this Ministry has been sanctioning the estimates for National Highway works after adding centage charges on cumulative basis, as per the existing procedure. As this procedure is not in accordance with the CPWD Accounts Code, the question of its revision has been under consideration of the Government. It has now been decided, in modification of this Ministry's circular No. NH-III/P/18/80, dated 17.11.80 that henceforth centage charges i.e. 1% quality control charges, and 1.5% to 2% work-charged establishment charges should be added individually to the estimated cost which includes 3% contingency charges, separately. Nine per cent agency charges will be admissible only on the estimated cost of the work including contingency charges. It may also be ensured that 1% quality control charges should be added only on permissible items.

2. The State PWDs are, therefore, requested to submit the estimates for National Highway works by adding the centage charges separately, as per the revised procedure mentioned above and not on cumulative basis. Nine per cent agency charges may be added only on the estimated cost of the work, including 3% contingency charges. It is also requested that necessary instructions may be issued to all concerned in your Department to follow the above procedure, for preparing the estimates for National Highway Works.