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To

The Secretaries PWDs of all States & Union Territories

Subject: Submission of revised estimates for works on National Highways — Periodical review of expenditure/construction period and physical progress on works — avoidance of incurring expenditure beyond permissible limits without prior approval

Kind attention is drawn to Ministry's circulars given below:

No. B-18(2)/67 dated 23.2.72

No. B-30(54)/73 dated 6.2.74

No. B-30(54)/76 dated 13.8.76

No. B-30(54)/77 dated 30.5.77 and

No. NHIII/P/25/78 dated 25.5.78, 20.3.79, 23.8.79, 12.11.79 and 5.7.85.

No. PL-30(6)/80 dated 19.1.1980.

2. In the above circulars, the need for timely submission of revised estimates and periodical reviews of expenditure and anticipated expenditure has been emphasised to enable the State Governments to frame further revisions of the estimates and have them approved from the Ministry well in time.

3. Kind attention is drawn to the following requirement regarding submission of revised estimates as per the rules framed by the Government of India under the National Highways Act, 1956 :

“When the expenditure upon any original work on National Highways to the detailed estimate of which the Central Government has accorded technical approval and financial sanction exceeds, or is likely at any time to exceed, the amount of such estimate beyond the permissible limit, the executive agency shall forward a revised detailed estimate for such work to the Central Government in such form as the Central Government may require and the Central Government may accord technical approval and financial sanction to such estimate subject to any condition it may think fit to impose”.

The revised estimate should be projected as provided in the rules.

4. However, instances have come to the notice of the Ministry wherein expenditure beyond permissible limits have been incurred by the State Governments without obtaining prior approval of the competent authority. It is, therefore, reiterated that the State Governments may please take necessary action to strictly follow the instructions contained in the National Highway Rules as also the above mentioned circulars and avoid incurring any expenditure beyond permissible limits without prior approval of the competent authority.
