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To

The Secretaries of all States, Public Works Departments (dealing with National Highways)

Subject: Recommendations of Vohra Committee regarding National Highway Works costing less than 10 lakhs for which Administrative Approval is accorded.

I am directed to say that the Committee on Agency System for National Highways had inter-alia recommended that for works costing less than 10 lakhs, the State Government should prepare a detailed estimate and forward only the abstract of estimate indicating various quantities, rates and amounts to the Ministry for according Administrative Approval. The Committee, further recommen-

- ded that the Administrative Approval should be issued subject to the condition that the State Chief Engineers concerned would accord technical sanction to the estimate within 3 months of the date of according Administrative Approval and actual work must start within another 6 months from the date of issue of Technical sanction. Further, failure to abide by these time limits should result in automatic cancellation of the Administrative Approval.
- 2. The Government of India have since accepted this recommendation and I am, therefore, to request that it may be ensured that abstract of estimates is only forwarded to this Ministry and technical sanction is accorded within 3 months of date of Administrative Approval and actual execution of the work starts within another 6 months from the date of issue of technical sanction failing which the Administrative Approval would be deemed to have been cancelled and fresh Administrative Approval will have to be obtained. This may please be brought to the notice of all concerned.