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- 1. The Chief Secretary, Himachal Pradesh, Administration, Simla
- 2. The Chief Secretary; Manipur Administration, Imphal.
- 3. The Chief Secretary, Tripura Administration, Agartala.
- 4. The Chief Secretary, Andaman & Nicobar Islands Administration, Port Blair.
- 5. The Chief Secretary, Delhi.

Subject :- Procedure for approving estimates for works financed from the Central Road Fund

I am directed to refer to the Ministry of Home Affairs letter No.35/10/59-ACII dated the 3rd June, 1960, and to say that the powers to accord technical sanction to the estimates delegated therein, will in future apply also to the estimates for works which have been approved for being financed from the Central Road Fund. The estimates for works costing upto Rs 5 lakhs will be technically sanctioned by the Administration after they have been formally approved by this Ministry for being financed from the Central Road Fund. While submitting proposals of such works to be financed from the Central Road Fund, the following particulars are required to be furnished.

- i) An index map.
- ii) Scope of scheme complete with specifications etc.
- iii) Estimated cost.
- iv) A comprehensive report on the utility of the scheme :--
- 2. After a proposal has been accepted by the Govt. of India for being financed from the Central Road

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Fund, the Administration will accord administrative and technical sanction to the estimate and forward to this Ministry the particulars of the technical sanction accorded to the estimate. On receipt of such particulars, Audit will be authorised to admit expenditure to the stipulated extent debitable to the Central Road Fund.

- 3. The works estimated to cost Rs 5 lakhs or more will be technically and financially approved by this Ministry as heretôfore.
- 4. This procedure will, however, not apply to experimental works undertaken for research and intelligence financed from the Central Road Fund as also to the works with which more than one Administration/State Government are concerned. The detailed estimates for such works will continue to be submitted to the Government of India for their prior approval.
- 5. Since the Government of India attach considerable importance to works financed from the Central Road Fund, monthly progress reports in the prescribed form and completion reports on the works sanctioned by the Administration are, however, required to be submitted to the Consulting Engineer-(Road Development) as before.
- 6. I am to add that the amount from the Central Road Fund for individual works, once made, will not be revised.