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The Secretaries (dealing with NHs), Public Works Department of all States & Union Territories, The Director General (Works), C.P.W.D. The Director General (Border Roads).

Subject: Guidelines regarding procedure to be adopted for the pre-qualification of the tenderers for the execution of major road/bridge works on National Highways and under other centrally financed schemes.

I am directed to refer to the correspondence resting with this Ministry's letter No. NH-11024/1/86-NHIII/ DOI dated 25.1.88, wherein detailed guidelines in respect of the procedure of pre-qualification of tenderers for execution of major road and bridge works on National Highways and under other Centrally financed schemes, were intimated. In para 2 of that letter, it was indicated that the pre-qualification procedure may be resorted to if the Project cost is Rs. 100 Lacs. and above irrespective of the length of the bridge/stretch of road. As the procedure prescribed by this Ministry, is causing delays in award of contracts and thereby execution of works, this Ministry has given careful consideration to this matter again & keeping in view the interest of speedy execution of work, it has now been decided that the limit for pre-qualification of tenderers for road and bridge works may be raised from Rs. 100 Lacs to Rs. 200 Lacs. However, where a road/bridge project of complicated or difficult nature is involved, it would always be open to this Ministry to stipulate the requirement of prequalification irrespective of the cost of the project. It is, therefore, requested that the above instructions may kindly be followed with immediate effect.

1-Amendment to circular dated 25.01.1988