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No. RW/NH-11026/2/99-US(D.I)

Dated, the 13th January, 2000

To

The Secretaries (dealing with National Highways), PWD of all States and Union Territories; Secretary, Border Road Development Board; and National Highways Authority of India

Subject : Expeditious acceptance of tenders for works on National Highways

I am directed to state that the detailed instructions on the above subject were issued by this Ministry vide letter No. RW/NH-11026/1/89-DO.I(Pt.) dated the 6th September, 1990. In supersession of these instructions the following revised instructions are hereby issued.

- (i) Where the acceptable tender is such that the excess over the sanctioned estimate does not go beyond 5 per cent, the State PWD should ensure that the tenders are settled before the expiry of the validity date of the tenders.
 - (ii) Where the cost of tender is more than 5 per cent of the sanctioned estimated cost the work should be got desanctioned and fresh estimate be got sanctioned from the Ministry.
 - (iii) In order to ensure that the above procedure does not cause undue delay in execution of sanctioned works, in future all the estimates should be framed and got sanctioned by the Ministry based on the current schedule of rates.
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