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**Ministry of Road Transport & Highways**

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To

The Secretaries and Engineers-in-Chief/Chief Engineers (National Highways), State Public Works Departments, Union Territories (dealing with National Highways and other Centrally Financed Schemes); Director General (Works), Central Public Works Department; Director General Border Roads; The Chairman, National Highways Authority of India; Regional Officers/ Engineer Liaison Officers of MoRTH

**Sub: Guidelines regarding procedures to be adopted for invitation of tenders for execution of Road and Bridge works on National Highways and Centrally Financed Schemes – modifications in procedures.**

Sir,

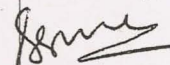
Ministry vide circular No. RW/NH-24035/4/2008-P&M/PIC dated 21<sup>st</sup> May 2010 have issued guidelines regarding procedures to be adopted for invitation of tenders and qualification of Contractors for execution of Road and Bridge works on National Highways and Centrally finances schemes. It has also been prescribed in the above circular that as far as possible, e-tendering should be introduced by State PWDs for better transparency during tendering of works on National Highways and other Centrally Financed Schemes.

2. As per Ministry's guidelines, the bids for the works costing more than Rs. 50 crore and less than Rs. 100 crore shall be opened and evaluated by Evaluation Committee headed by Chief Engineer of the Ministry in the office of concerned Chief Engineer of PWD. For the works costing Rs. 100 crore and above, the procedure for Prequalification of the contractors is to be followed and prequalification offers are to be received by the Ministry. The bids are to be opened and evaluated by Evaluation Committee headed by Chief Engineer of the Ministry.

3. Most of the States are now following e-tendering, wherein the tenders are to be opened online by the authorized officers only. Therefore, in partial modification to the Ministry's circular No. RW/NH-24035/4/2008-P&M/PIC dated 21<sup>st</sup> May 2010, it has been decided that the tender documents, including e-tenders for the works costing more than Rs. 50 crore including prequalification offers shall be opened and evaluated by the Chief Engineer of the State PWD in presence of Ministry's Regional Officer and submitted for consideration of the Evaluation Committee constituted in accordance with Ministry's guidelines dated 21.05.2010.

4. The above instructions may be brought to the notice of all concerned for immediate compliance for works on National Highways and Centrally Financed Schemes of this Ministry.

Yours faithfully,



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