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To

The Secretaries of States/Union Territories, Public Works Departments (dealing with National Highways and other Centrally sponsored schemes), All Chief Engineers of States/Union Territories (dealing with National Highways and other Centrally sponsored schemes), Chairman, National Highways Authority of India, The Director General (Border Roads).

Subject: Use of Portland Blast Furnace Slag Cement for Bridge Works

Ministry's Specification for Road & Bridge Works (Fourth Revision)-clause 1006 stipulates the types of cements to be used for structures. So far, Blast Furnace Slag Cement (BFSC) (conforming to IS: 455) was not being permitted to be used in RCC works. However, use of BFSC (conforming to IS: 455) in RCC has, now, been permitted by IRC 21-2000. Accordingly, after due consideration, this Ministry has also decided to permit the use of BFSC in Reinforced Cement Concrete works, and clause 1006 of Ministry's Specifications for Road and Bridge Works (Fourth Revision) may be amended to include BFSC (conforming to IS: 455) also among the cements permitted for being used in Plain and Reinforced Cement Concrete works.

2. The contents of this circular may, please, be brought to the notice of all concerned Officers in your Organization/department.
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