

Immediate

No. NH-11011/107/2020-LA
 Government of India
Ministry of Road Transport & Highways
(Land Acquisition Division)
 Transport Bhawan, 1, Parliament Street, New Delhi - 110001

New Delhi dated the 9th August, 2021

To,

The Chairman,
 National Highways Authority of India,
 G-5&6, Sector- 10, Dwarka, New Delhi-75

Subject - Appointment of retired revenue officers as arbitrators -reg.

Sir,

I am directed to say that in pursuance of sub-section (5) of Section 3G of the National Highways Act, 1956, the Ministry has appointed a few retired revenue officers as arbitrator(s) for land acquisition cases. For instance, vide Gazette of India Notification SO. 2168(E) dated 19th March, 2021, 05 no. of retired revenue officers has been appointed as arbitrators in the State of Punjab for LA arbitration cases.

2. In this background, it is stated that the Competent Authority in the Ministry has decided to limit the tenure of existing such Arbitrators appointed after their retirement to one year and not to appoint any more retired officers as arbitrators in Land Acquisition proceedings.

3. This may be brought into the notice of all concerned for compliance. Also, concerned ROs/ PDs may be directed to submit revised notification/ corrigendum in all such cases where Arbitrators have been appointed after their retirement, restricting the tenure of the retired Arbitrators to one year for the approval of the Competent Authority and publication in the Gazette of India.

Yours faithfully

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