

No. RM-21 (2)/68

Dated the 22nd March, 1972

To

All the State Chief Engineers (Departments dealing with Roads) Bihar, Maharashtra, Orissa, West Bengal, Rajasthan, Himachal Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Assam, Uttar Pradesh, Punjab, Tamil Nadu and Gujarat

Subject : Distinctive numbering of the machinery and equipments belonging to the Central Govt.

I am directed to refer to this Ministry's letter No. RM-21 (2)/69 dated the 1st February, 1969, wherein instructions were issued for painting the name of this Ministry on the Road/Bridge construction machinery belonging to the Central Government [Ministry of Shipping and Transport (Roads Wing)] and for giving a distinguishing number on each of these machines, so that this machinery can be readily distinguished from the other machinery owned by the State Government. Certain suggestions were received in response to that letter. It has now been decided that :

- (i) The distinguishing number should consist of the code number (as given in the attached statement) followed by the numerical or serial number of the machine according to the total number of machines of that type in that State. For example, if Orissa has three cranes (Mobile), each of 5 tons capacity, the distinctive numbers of these three cranes will be C-21, C-22 & C-23.
- (ii) A record of the distinguishing number is to be kept by the State P.W.D. in a register in which the details of the machine, e.g. its make model, capacity, engine number, and chassis number year of purchase/receipt etc. are also to be given against the distinguishing number. One copy of this record is to be supplied to this Ministry and another to this Ministry's Regional Superintending Engineer (Mech.) concerned.
- (iii) When a machine is transferred to another State, under instructions from this Ministry, necessary entry of the transfer will be recorded in that register and the complete details of that machine will be communicated to the Ministry and transferee State. The transferee State will add in its register a record of the distinguishing number already given on that machine by the transferer State which number shall continue to be retained.

The name of this Ministry should be painted on each machine in English and Hindi in the following manner :

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MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT
(ROADS WING)

- (v) The size of each letter denoting the name of Ministry should be two inches/one inch and the size of each letter and figure of code number should be one inch/half inch only for heavy machines/minor equipments respectively. The State P.W.D. may paint all the central machinery in Dark yellow colour and print the letters and the figures with black paint. The paint should, however, be enamel of the best quality and as soon as the writing gets defaced with the passage of time the same should be re-written.

2. I am to request that necessary action as indicated above may kindly be taken immediately and a list of the Central Government's road/bridge building machinery, indicating therein the distinguishing number painted on each machine, may kindly be sent to this Ministry as early as possible.