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*Dated the 18th March, 1978*

To

The Chief Engineers of State PWDs/UTs  
dealing with roads, (By name)

Subject : Manual for Survey, Investigations and Preparation of Highway Projects

The importance of detailed surveys and investigations leading to preparation of proper highway projects needs no emphasis. Well-planned projects are economical in more than one respect, and obviate the need for unnecessary cost revisions, while ensuring that the technical requirements are fully met with.

2. The Indian Roads Congress has recently brought out a Manual for survey, investigations and preparation of highway projects, vide their Special Publication No. 19 of 1977. The Manual contains detailed guidelines for all types of highway projects and will be of considerable help to engineers responsible for the development of roads in any way.

3. The Ministry is eager that henceforth the manual should be widely utilised for preparation and presentation of highway projects, not only on National Highways but also those on the State road network. I will therefore request that officers in your department dealing with road works may kindly be made conversant with the publication of the Manual. Copies of the Manual should be procured direct from the office of the Indian Roads Congress, Jamnagar House, Shahjahan Road, New Delhi-110 011. The field officers should be asked to have sufficient copies so that even the subordinate staff engaged in survey work have access to the publication.

4. I will be grateful if action taken in the matter is intimated to us.

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