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To

The Chief Engineers of all State Governments/Union Territories (dealing with National Highways);
Director General Border Roads; Chairman, National Highways Authority of India

Subject : Use of Polymer and Rubber Modified Bitumen in road works on National Highways and other Centrally Sponsored Schemes

The Ministry with its letter of even number dated 21.4.1999 had circulated guidelines for use of rubber and polymer modified bitumen in road construction based on interim report received from Central Road Research Institute, New Delhi, on research study sponsored by the Ministry.

2. The Indian Roads Congress has recently brought out a publication No.IRC:SP:53-1999 "Guidelines on Use of Polymer and Rubber Modified Bitumen in Road Construction" Copy of the guidelines can be obtained from IRC, Jamnagar House, Shahjahan Road, New Delhi.

3. It has now been decided that in supersession of earlier guidelines circulated by the Ministry, the IRC guidelines on modified bitumen should be adopted for all works National Highways and other Centrally Sponsored Schemes. The State Governments are also advised to follow the IRC guidelines for road works in State Sector.

4. It is requested that compliance of these guidelines for road works on National Highways may be ensured with immediate effect. The feedback on use of the guidelines may please be reported from time-to-time to the Ministry

5. The content of this circular may please be brought to the notice of all concerned in your Organisation/ Department.

1-Amendment to circular dated 21.04.1999