

**No. RW/NH-33044/10/2000-S&R (R)****Dated, the 21st June, 2001**

To

The Secretaries of all States/UTs (In-charge of PWD); Engineer-in-Chief and Chief Engineer of State PWDs and UTs (dealing with National Highways)

Subject : Preparation of Schedule of Rate based on Ministry's Standard Data Book for Rate Analysis (1994)

Please refer to Ministry letter No. RW/NH-33045/4/92 - S&R dated 23rd May, 1994 wherein State PWDs were requested to prepare Schedule of Rates (SOR) for National Highways and other Central Sector Work's on the basis of Ministry's Standard Data Book for Rate Analysis. It was also requested, that the Schedule of Rates would be periodically updated for preparation of the detailed estimates to arrive at a realistic cost of work. In this regard the D.O. letter No. RW/NH-33049/6/98-S&R dated 15th April, 1999, from DG (RD) & AS addressed to all the Chief Engineers of States/Union Territory, may also please be referred to wherein it was categorically mentioned that in future no estimate will be accorded approval by the Ministry, unless the estimate is in accordance to the Schedule of Rate based on Ministry's Standard Data Book for Rate Analysis.

2. However, inspite of Ministry's constant pursuit it is noted with concern that a number of State have not even prepared the Schedule of Rate for National Highways and other Central Sector Works, leading to unrealistic cost estimate which is largely responsible for revised cost estimates in most of the projects. This has been viewed seriously in the Ministry at the highest level, and it has been decided that all such States, which had not yet framed SOR for NHs work, should prepare SOR based on Ministry's Standard Data Book for Rate Analysis latest by 30th September, 2001. The States, Which have already prepared SOR as per Ministry's Standard Data Book, may please confirm that the same has been updated to the current prices.

**No. RW/NH-33044/30/2001-S&R (R)****Dated, the 2nd November, 2001**

To

The Secretaries of all State Governments and Union Territories; Chief Engineers of all States/Union Territories (dealing with National Highways and other centrally sponsored works); Chairman, National Highways Authority of India; Director General Border Roads

Subject : Ministry's Specification for Road & Bridge Works - Fourth Revision

Please refer to Ministry's letter No. RW/NH-33044/10/2000 - S&R (R) dated 30th April 2001, wherein instructions have been issued to adopt Ministry's Specification for Road & Bridge Works (Third Revision, 1995), along with the upgraded Section 500 and its related aspects in Sections 900 and 3000 as brought out in the Addendum to the Third Revision published by the IRC.

The Fourth Revision of Specifications of Ministry of Road Transport & Highways incorporating the upgraded Section 500 and other amendments issued subsequent to publication of Third Revision, 1995 is now published by the IRC and is available on sale. The Fourth Revision shall henceforth be followed in all future projects and estimates pertaining to National Highways and other centrally sponsored projects.



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