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To,

The Secretaries of State/Union Territories, Public Works Department (dealing with National Highways);
All Chief Engineer of States/Union Territories (dealing with National Highways); The Chairman, National
Highways Authority of India; The Director General (Border Roads)

Subject: Collection of Traffic Census Data-Modalities regarding

As per the extant instructions, the traffic census on the National Highways is to be carried out by the executing agencies, twice in a year. It has, however, been observed that due to one reason or the other the up-to-date traffic census data for all the National Highways is not being received in the Ministry from all States/executive agencies.

2. The traffic data is a key input to proper planning for development and maintenance activities of the National Highways. The non-receipt of the data adversely affect the planning for National Highways and the demand for funds can not be projected rationally. It has, therefore, been decided that the traffic census will henceforth be got done directly by the Ministry under the overall supervision of the concerned Regional Officer of the Ministry, except for the stretches of National Highways entrusted to National Highways Authority of India and Border Roads Organisation, for which the existing procedures will continue. All the State Governments/executive agencies dealing with National Highways are requested to render necessary help and cooperation in the matter to the concerned Regional Officer of the Ministry.
 3. Proforma T-3 as prescribed by the Ministry vide letter No. NH-20011/1/99-PL dated 31st December, 1999, for compilation of the traffic data will continue to be used by the Regional Officers.
 4. Regional officer will outsource the activities relating to the collection of traffic census. They may work out modalities and details in this regard suiting to the region under their charge. It is suggested that services of Engineering Colleges/Universities etc. located in the region may be procured on nomination basis, if available at reasonable terms.
 5. Expenditure on the collection of data, supervision by Regional Officers, compilation and storage of the data etc. will be met against the specific estimates to be sanctioned by the Ministry under non-plan head of expenditure on the basis of proposals received from the Regional Officers, separately for each region. Regional Officer may include in the estimates any requirement pertaining to their office to ensure proper entry of the data in the computers as well as the facilities such as hire charges of vehicles required for proper supervision of the data collection.
 6. Information on traffic data/census will be got compiled in quadruplicate (soft copy as well as hard copy). One copy will be sent by the Regional Officers each to S&R Zone and the concerned Project Zone in the Ministry, one copy will be sent by him the concerned Chief Engineer dealing with National Highways in the State and the fourth copy will be retained in the Regional Office.
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