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To

1. Secretaries of all State PWDs (By name)
2. All C.Es. NHs (By name) including C.E., Pamban Bridge Project.

Subject : (i) Provision of flowering plants near bridges across rivers on N.Hs. and other Centrally-sponsored roads;  
(ii) Proper location of store sheds

In order to make the surroundings of bridges on the N.Hs. and other Centrally sponsored roads congenial and scenic, I had requested in my inspections of some bridges the field officers accompanying me during my inspections to provide suitable flower bearing trees in the immediate approaches to the bridge. This could be easily done as water would be easily available nearby. Expenditure in this regard could be met from the provision for contingencies in the estimate of the particular bridge work.

2. It is requested that suitable instructions in this regard may kindly be issued to all the field Executive Engineers. The efforts of the officers who take adequate action in this regard may kindly be reflected in their records. Those officers who do not comply with the aforesaid instructions may kindly be viewed seriously.

3. Usually some provision is made in the estimates for major bridges for store sheds to cater for storage of materials, scientific instruments etc. during the course of construction of the bridge. It is requested that such store sheds may be located at proper places along the river so that one gets a very good scenic view of the bridge, river etc. from there. After the construction of the bridge, these store sheds could be conveniently utilised for stay of inspecting officers, if necessary.

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