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*Dated the 6th January, 1983*

To

**All State Governments (Department dealing with National Highways)**

**Subject : Delegation of powers to Regional Officers**

**I am directed to say that question of delegation of more powers to the Regional Officers of this Ministry has been under consideration of this Ministry for some time past and it has now been decided to delegate the following powers to the Regional Officers :—**

- (i) **All estimates for road and bridge works costing upto and including Rs 10 lakhs will be scrutinised by Regional Officers and their examination will be final. The Regional Officers after scrutiny will send the papers to this Ministry for issue of administrative approval.**

- (ii) The Regional Officer concerned should be associated right at the initial stages in assessing the extent of levelling course. He may be associated in actual checking in the field on a sample basis and for deciding the extent of levelling course needed in any particular work and his recommendation may be accepted as final.
- (iii) The Regional Officer shall approve the selection of specific kms which should be renewed in any particular year against the amount allotted to the State.

2. Keeping in view the above delegation of powers to the Regional Officers, it is requested that in future all estimates for works costing upto and including Rs 10 lakhs may first be finalized in consultation with the Regional Officers. Similarly the Regional Officers may be associated for deciding upon the extent of levelling course needed in any particular work and for selection of specific kilometres (stretches of National Highways) which should be renewed in any particular year.

*Note :* [Powers to accord technical sanction to estimates costing Rs 10 lakhs delegated to States Refer to Letters No. NHIII/Coord/34/84 dt. 24.3.84 and 26.7.84 under Code No. 121.6]

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