

No. NH- 35014/07/2017-H
Government of India
Ministry of Road Transport & Highways
(Highways Section)

1, Sansad Marg, Parivahan Bhavan,
New Delhi, dated 2nd March, 2017

OFFICE ORDER

Subject: Expediting pre-project activities - reg.

The undersigned is directed to refer to the subject above and to convey that in order to avoid delays in execution of NH projects due to land acquisition issues, the thresholds as stipulated below shall be followed for NH projects by all project implementing agencies of MoRTH:

2. For PPP projects, the following shall be ensured prior to the Appointed Date:

- a) notification under Section 3(D) of NH Act, 1956 for 100% additional private land (other than existing ROW) to be acquired for the project and vesting of such land with the Government of India free from all encumbrances, encroachments and occupations.
- b) at least 60% of the compensation amount against the award declared by Competent Authority Land Acquisition (CALA) under Section 3 (G) of NH Act, 1956 has been disbursed and 60% of additional land to be acquired is under physical possession of the Government of India in addition to the existing Right of Way (ROW).
- c) at least one contiguous, encumbrance-free work front of not less than 10 km is available to accommodate the proposed configuration of the project highway; and
- d) 100% land is under possession for the construction of structures, including their approaches so that all the structures can be taken up immediately.

3. For EPC projects,

- a) The primary requirement for issue of Letter of Award (LoA) for EPC projects will be the issue of notifications under section 3(A) for the entire quantum of private land (excluding existing ROW).
- b) In addition, project authorities are to also ensure that the following conditions can be met within 45 days of issue of LoA:
 - i) notification under section 3 (D) of NH Act, 1956 for 100% additional land to be acquired for the project and vesting with the Government

of India free from all encumbrances or encroachments and occupations;

- ii) requisite compensation amount against the award declared by Competent Authority Land Acquisition (CALA) under Section 3 (G) of NH Act, 1956 to be disbursed, and work front in 60% of the project highway length to be under physical possession of the Government of India;
- iii) at least one contiguous, encumbrance-free work front of 10 km or 50% of length of project highway whichever is less, is available to accommodate the proposed configuration of the project highway; and
- iv) 100% land is under possession for construction of structures including approaches to the proposed structures, so that all the structures can be taken up immediately.

4. The above issues with approval of the Competent Authority in the Ministry.


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To

- 1. DG &RD, MoRTH
- 2. Chairman, NHA
- 3. Chairman, NHIDCL

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