GOVERNMENT OF INDIA Ministry of Road Transport & Highways (Planning Zone)

Transport Bhawan, 1, Parliament Street, New Delhi-110001

No. I-26011/3/2001(12)-P&M (Pt.)

Dated, 22nd February, 2016

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Delegation of powers for Administrative / Financial Approval of Periodic Renewal / Improvement of Riding Quality Programme (PR / IRQP) under Maintenance & Repair (M&R) of NHs (Non-Plan) – first phase-reg.

The undersigned is directed to refer to instructions issues vide OM No.RW/NH-11048/2/2000-US(D.I), dated 16.05.2000, regarding financial sanctions for incurring expenditure on maintenance of National Highways.

- 2. In continuation of the provisions stipulated therein, the following guidelines shall be applicable henceforth with immediate effect and until further orders regarding procedure and delegation of Technical Sanction, Administrative Approval and Financial Sanctions of Periodic Renewal (PR) / Improvement of Riding Quality Programme (IRQP) works.
- (i) Delegation for Administrative Approval (AA) & Financial Sanction (FS)

Estimated Cost	Authority for AA & FS	Level of Authority for
		Financial Concurrence
Upto and including	CE (Project Zone)	Dy FA
Rs.25 crore		
Full power	Secretary (RT&H)	FA

(ii) The delegation for AA & FS on account of Tender Premium / Variation, etc.: -

Excess over sanctioned cost upto		Delegation for RCE (AA & FS)	Level of Authority for Financial Concurrence			
5%		Approval for RCE not required	-			
Beyond 5% upto 10%	and	CE (Project Zone)	Dy FA			
Beyond 10%		Secretary(RT&H) with concurrence of IFD	FA			

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- (iii) Sanction ceilings for PR / IRQP works for a particular financial year shall be finalized in the Ministry by September of the previous financial year. Based on the same Annual Renewal Plan (ARP) shall be drawn up comprising of individual works by the concerned Project Zone CE of the Ministry in consultation with CE(NH) of State PWD and RO of the Ministry. A consolidated proposal comprising of the detailed list of individual works under ARP shall be submitted in the form of "Abstract Estimate" by State PWDs to concerned ROs of the Ministry.
- (iv) The details in the "Abstract Estimate" shall include the stretches / sections of NHs, their lengths, carriageway widths, existing crust compositions (both non-bituminous and bituminous), nature and type of last improvements and maintenance works (PR / IRQP) done along with date of completion of such works, bar charts, whether the stretch qualifies for PR / IRQP as per the stipulated cycle, the proposed specifications, specific reasons / justifications in case profile corrective course (PCC) is required in excess of 10 % of the bituminous binding layer thickness including why such stretches should not be excluded from the programme and planned for more comprehensive treatments, existing drainage conditions and adequacies thereof, requirement of additional drainage works (if any), tentative estimated cost including centages, etc.
- (v) The concerned RO of the Ministry shall forward the ARP to the Project Zone CE of the Ministry with his recommendations by October of the preceding financial year duly satisfying whether or not the proposed stretches qualify for the treatment as per stipulated PR cycle.
- (vi) The concerned Project Zone CE of the Ministry shall finalize the ARP duly satisfying its adequacy and obtain approval of Secretary (RT&H) by first week of November of the preceding financial year and host it on the Ministry's website.
- (vii) The individual estimates for works shall be prepared by CE(NH) and forwarded to the concerned Project Zone CE of the Ministry through RO. Such estimates may be Technically sanctioned (TS) by the Project zone CEs of the Ministry by December of the preceding Financial year provided the excess / savings in such estimates are upto ± 10% of the amount mentioned against the work as per the ARP finalized and total cost of sanctioned works do not exceed stipulated Sanction ceiling. Detailed estimates for new works, which could not be included in the ARP, could also be considered by concerned Project Zone CEs by substitution subject to the condition that the modified ARP after inclusion of new work (after substitution) is within the overall Sanction Ceiling stipulated for the State and sum total of estimated cost of such new works do not exceed 20 % of the ARP.
- (viii) The pre-tender activities should be taken up immediately while individual estimates are forwarded by RO with his recommendations to the Project Zone CE of the Ministry so that works could commence in time on sanction of work and funds effectively utilized.

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- (ix) Concerned Project Zones of the Ministry shall obtain Financial Concurrence of IFD and process for Administrative Approval and Financial Sanctions for individual estimates as per the delegation at sub-para (i) & (ii) ante and host it on the Ministry's website. The sanction order should include reference number of Sanction ceiling/ARP order, the cumulative sanction issued and the balance sanction limits available. The CE of the concerned Project Zone shall ensure that the sanction are issued within the sanction ceiling stipulated for the State/UT.
- (x) It shall be the responsibility of concerned Project Zone CE of the Ministry to update on "e Pace" status of sanction of works, progress of implementation and host the monthly report as on 1st of every month on the Ministry's website with the details as per the attached proforma.
- 3. The above mentioned stipulations shall be applicable for PR/IRQP Sanctions we.f. 2016-17 and until further orders.
- 4. The relevant instructions contained herein shall, also, be applicable for State UT-wise sanction ceilings / ARP for PR / IRQP works for 2016-17 (First Phase) communicated vide O.M. no. RW/G-23012/1/2015-W&A, dated 10.12.2015. All Project Zone CEs are, accordingly, requested to take up urgent necessary action as indicated in Para 3(iii), 3(iv), 3(v) and 3(vi), etc., above for 2016-17 works as regards sanctioning of the estimates, their award and timely implementation may be ensured
- 5. Separate instructions issued regarding sanctioning of FDR works vide OM No. I-26011/3/2001(12)-P&M (Pt.), dated 03.01.2013, shall also continue to be applicable.
- 6. Further delegations to the level of ROs will follow in due course.
- 7. This issues with the concurrence of Finance Wing vide U.O. No.56-DS (Finance) dated 16.02.2016 and approval of Hon'ble Minister (RT&H).

Enclosure: As above

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Under Secretary to the Government of India

To,

- 1. ADG I / ADG II / Coordinator I / Coordinator II / Coordinator III
- 2. All CEs / SEs / EEs of the Ministry
- DyFA
- 4. All Directors / DSs / USs / Sections in Roads Wing/
- 5. All ROs / ELOs of the Ministry

Copy for information and necessary action to:-

- 1. PS to Hon'ble Minister (RT&H)
- 2. PS to Hon'ble MOS (RT&H)
- 3. PS to Secretary (RT&H)
- 4. PPS to DG (RD)&SS
- 5. PPS to AS & FA

Enclosure to O.M. No. No. 1-26011/3/2001(12)-P&M (Pt.), dated 22nd February, 2016

Proforma for hosting monthly status of PR / IRQP works under the Annual Renewal Plan on the Ministry's website

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