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Government of India Ministry of Road Transport & Highways S&R (P&B) Zone. Transport Bhawan, 1, Parliament Street New Delhi-110001

No. RW/NH-33044/59/2022-S&R (P&B)(214805)

Dated: 01st November, 2022

To,

- 1. The Chief Secretaries of all State Governments/UTs.
- 2. The Principal Secretaries/Secretaries of all State/UTs PWD dealing with National Highways, other centrally sponsored schemes and state schemes.
- 3. All Engineer-in-Chief and Chief Engineers of all States/ UTs PWD dealing with National Highways, other centrally sponsored schemes and state schemes.
- 4. The Chairperson, National Highways Authority of India (NHAI), G-5&6, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi-110075.
- 5. The Managing Director, National Highway Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd., 3rd floor, PTI Building, Parliament Street, New Delhi-110001.
- 6. Director General (Border Roads), Seema Sadak Bhawan, Ring Road, New Delhi-110010.
- 7. All CE-ROs, ROs and ELOs of the Ministry.

Subject: Removal of encroachments from National Highways.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the subject cited above and to state that it has been brought to the notice of Ministry that National Highways are being encroached upon by dhabas, vegetable sellers, etc., in approaches to major bridges in Chhattisgarh, which seriously affects free flow of traffic and cause road accidents. Encroachment of NH land whether of permanent nature or of a temporary nature is a matter of grave concern for traffic management and operations and future up-gradation projects. The Control of National Highways (Land & Traffic) Act, 2002 has empowered the NH officers to take action against encroachments but still there are lot of encroachments on NH land.

2. It is therefore requested that field units may be adequately sensitized to prevent encroachments on National Highways and launch periodical drives to remove all sorts of encroachments from NH land.

3. This issues with approval of Competent Authority.

Yours faithfully A.K. Kushwaha)

(A.K. Kushwaha) SE, S&R (R) For DG (RD) & SS Copy to:

- 1. All Chief Engineers in the Ministry of Road Transport & Highways.
- 2. The Secretary General, Indian Road Congress, IRC Bhawan, Kama Koti Marg, Sector-6, R.K. Puram, New Delhi-110022.
- 3. Technical circular File, S&R (P&B) Section.
- 4. NIC for uploading on the Ministry's website.

Copy for information to:

- 1. Sr. PPS to Secretary (RT&H).
- 2. Sr. PPS to DG(RD)&SS
- 3. PPS to AS&FA/AS.
- 4. PS to all ADGs.
- 5. PS to all JSs.