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Secretaries of all State Public Works Departments

Subject: Purchase of cars etc. from out of 'fee' money from permanent bridges on National Highways given to the State Public Works Departments for National Highway Development works

I am directed to say that a proposal has recently been received from a State P.W.D. that they may be permitted to purchase cars etc. from out of the money accruing from the fees levied on National Highway Bridges allotted by this Ministry to States for the development of National Highways in the States as an additionality over and **above** the normal Plan allocations of the States concerned for National Highways. Out of the money so allotted a sum equivalent to 12% is paid to States for collection charges where the fees are not being collected through Private Contractors and the balance of 88% is allotted for the development of National Highways. The State Governments will appreciate that if the money allotted for the development of National Highways to be utilised for item like purchase of cars etc. it will defeat the very purpose for which these fees are being levied to mobilise additional resources for augmenting the funds for the development of National Highways. The State Governments will appreciate that this is a very important aspect which needs to be kept in view while utilising the revenue from the fees on National Highway (Bridges). It has therefore been decided that the fee money meant for the development of National Highways should not be used for the purchase of cars etc. If the States so desire they may meet this requirement out of the money paid to them for collection charges.

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