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To

The Secretaries of all States
(Department dealing with Roads)

Subject :- Recommendations of the Vohra Committee — Setting up of Traffic Engineering Cell, R&D, Monitoring, Material Management and Quality Control Cells in States

I am directed to say that the Committee, set up by the Government of India sometime ago for reviewing and making recommendations for better performance of the Agency System for National Highways has,

inter alia, recommended as under :-

“Those States which have not set up exclusive Organisation for National Highways works, Cells at the Headquarters of the Chief Engineers for dealing with matters relating to monitoring, material management, R&D, Traffic Engineering, Quality Control etc. should fall in line without further delay.”

2. As the State Government are aware, this Ministry have already been pursuing with the States to set up the following specialised Cells at the headquarters of the State Chief Engineers.

- (i) Traffic Engineering Cell;
- (ii) R&D and Quality Promotion Cell;
- (iii) Monitoring and Material Management Cells;

Copies of relevant letters are enclosed for ready reference.

3. Some States have already set up such Cells either from the Central Road Fund Allocations Account or State resources. I am, however, now to request you again to examine the entire question of setting up all such cells keeping in view the recommendations of the committee and take necessary action to set up these Cells either out of Central Road Fund (Allocations) Account, in case sufficient free balances is available to them to meet the cost involved or out of their own Plan resources as early as possible. Action taken or proposed to be taken in the implementation of this recommendation may be intimated to this Ministry in due course.