

Letter No. CC/CO/22 (I-A)/84/4342 dated 21st May, 1984, from the Cement Controller to the Govt. of India Ministry of Industry,

To

The Director General (Road Development)

Please refer to your D.O letter No. RM-29 (5)/83 dated 15.2.1984 regarding release of OPC to the extent of 60% of the allocated quantity of cement for the construction of bridges on National Highways by the Roads Wing of the Ministry of Shipping and Transport. I have had the matter examined keeping in view the overall availability of cement of Ordinary Portland variety.

The cement factories are required to make available OPC to the extent of 30% of their levy obligation. *This does not apply to those factories which are licensed to manufacture slag cement.* Thus the overall availability of OPC is less than 30%.

As per the cabinet decision, the requirement of OPC of the Irrigation and Power Projects is to be met to the extent of 50% of their allocated quantity. Practically all other departments also ask for part of the supplied OPC variety. Thus the remaining quantity of OPC available is not adequate to meet 60% of the allocation of Roads Wing which would come to a considerable quantity of 35,400 tonnes per quarter ($59,000 \times 60\%$).

In view of this, we will be able to release up to 30% only of OPC, of the allocation of Roads Wing, on an overall basis. Any adjustment as between projects which may require more or less than 30% of OPC, as may be considered necessary by Roads Wing, will be accepted by us.