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Government of India
Ministry of Road Transport and Highways

'Transport Bhawan'
1, Parliament Street,

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To

1. DG(RD) & SS, MoRTH
2. The Chairman, NHAI, Dwarka, New Delhi.
3. All Principal Secretaries/Secretaries/Engineers-in-Chief/Chief Engineers dealing with National Highways and other categories of roads.
4. The Director General (Border Roads), Seema Sadak Bhawan, Ring Road, Naraina, Delhi Cantt., New Delhi.
5. The Director General (Works), Central Public Works Department, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi.

Sub: Movement of Over Weight and Over Dimensional Consignments (OWCs/ODCs)

Sir,

Detailed guidelines were laid down by Roads Wing of the Ministry vide letter No.RW/NH-35072/1/2010 S&R(B) dated 24.1.2013 regarding movement of Over Weight and Over Dimensional Consignments (OWCs/ODCs). Subsequently, the matter was discussed in the meeting taken by Secretary (RTH) on 22nd April, 2013 in which the following decisions were taken:

"14. It was decided that meanwhile, Highways Management Co. Ltd. (HMCL) will create a corpus by collecting premium from the consigners and reimburse the concessionaires for the damages, if any, on 'no profit no loss' basis until development of a insurance product by Oriental Insurance. **[Action : HMCL]**

15. It was decided to set up a Committee under Shri V. L. Patankar, ADG, MoRTH, and consisting of following to re-visit the fee structure and submit its report by the first week of May 2013:

1. Shri Chaman Lal, ADG-II, MoRTH
2. Shri A.P. Pathak, Chief Engineer (Bridges) MoRTH
3. Shri M.P. Sharma, Member (Tech.), NHAI.

[Action : Shri V.L. Patankar, ADG]

16. It was decided that if any major damage caused to any bridge until creation of corpus/finalization of insurance product by Oriental Insurance, the same will be paid by Ministry/ NHAI. **[Action : DG (RD)&SS/Chairman, NHAI]**

17. Shri A.P. Pathak, Chief Engineer, MoRTH, suggested that a condition survey of bridges on each corridor be undertaken every six months for strengthening of bridges by Roads Wing as and when required. The cost survey should be built into the tariff structure and permission in respect of particular route should be validated for six months unless there is some further development. **[Action : CE (Bridges)]**

18. HTOA stated that condition assessment of bridges and road for each and every movement would be time consuming and costly. They requested that this work may be taken up by MoRTH and the cost may be passed on to the transporters using the route. HTOA representative requested for development of bridge directory along with condition assessment of the bridges by the concerned authorities to facilitate smooth movement of consignments. **[Action : CE (Bridges)]**

19. Secretary (RT&H) desired that major corridors on which maximum ODC movement is taking place may be identified and periodic condition certificate of the bridges and route may be indicated by MoRTH, the cost of which can be passed on to the transporters using the identified routes. JS(T) informed that BHEL had already submit the major corridors for ODC movement and the major bridges required to be strengthened. DG(RD)&SS was requested to process the inputs submitted by BHEL. **[Action : DG (RD)&SS]"**

2. The following decisions have been taken with the approval of the competent authority in order to streamline the processing of grant of permission for movement of OWCs/ODCs:

- (i) The competent authority has approved the fee structure recommended in the report of the Committee headed by Shri V.L. Patankar, ADG (A-I) so that a corpus for repair/rehabilitation/reconstruction for damages, if any, in the stretches of National Highways be carried out. CE (B)(S&R) will prepare an SoP for deposit of the structured fee by the transporters and maintenance and reconciliation of the account. The same would be uploaded on Ministry's website for information of all concerned.
- (ii) CE(B)(S&R) will complete the work of survey of status of the structures and roads on the stretches of National Highways on which OWCs/ODCs are carried frequently, as per furnished details by BHEL within a period of six months maximum.

- (iii) The following method would be adopted for processing applications for grant of permission for movement of OWCs/ODCs duly accompanied by survey reports of the structures and critical road stretches:
- (a) In cases where the survey report for the stretch has been submitted previously by any transporter agency, and made available with the application, the same will be considered for granting permission. A list of stretches/portions, which might have been damaged meanwhile, would be obtained by CE (B)(S&R) from ROs concerned. The above information would be used for processing requests for permission.
- (b) For the remaining portions, the transporter will submit with his application on survey report for the structures and critical road portions.

Yours faithfully,



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5. Sr. PPS to Secretary (MoRTH)
6. NIC - With a request to upload on web page of the Ministry
7. General Secretary, Hydraulic Trailer Owners Association, Mumbai.
8. Shri Debasis Jana, Director, Deptt. of Heavy Industry, Govt. of India, Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi
9. Shri O.P. Bhutani, Principal Advisor (E,R&D), BHEL.