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To

1. All Secretaries of States Public Works Deptts.
2. The Chief Engineers of all State PWDs dealing with NHs and other Centrally sponsored roads

Sub : Rating of existing bridges and providing cautionary boards on NHs

Please refer to this Ministry's letter of even number dated 12.5.83 wherein the following action to be taken immediately by the State PWD was indicated :

- i) To determine rating (load carrying capacity) of the existing bridges and culverts.
- ii) To have the same notified through the State Transport Authorities; and
- iii) To provide necessary traffic signs indicating the prohibition or restriction near such places.

**2.1. In case vehicles with excessive loads or excessive dimensions pass through the bridge, they are likely to cause irreparable damage to the structure.**

**2.2. It has to be made clear on the cautionary board that the State Government would not be responsible for**

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any damage to the vehicles or persons travelling thereon on account of carrying excessive loads or in case the vehicle dimensions are excessive.

It has also to be made clear that in case of any damage to the structures, the owner of the vehicle will have to reimburse to the Government, the cost of reconstruction of the structure.

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