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To

All State Governments/Administrations (Departments dealing with National Highways)

Sub : Electrification of bridges on National Highways

In supersession of all previous orders on the above cited subject I am directed to say that normally it is not the policy of the Government of India to meet the cost of electrification of bridges on National Highways from their funds as the Vehicular traffic on National Highways moves under their own lights and hence no provision for electrification should be made in the estimates for bridge works on National Highways. However, it has been decided that structural elements like light posts and cable ducts for electrification of new bridges of length 300 metres and more may be provided if required, and the cost thereof included in the estimate for the bridge proper provided that the Municipal Board/concerned local authority is prepared to meet the initial cost as well as subsequent maintenance charges of electrical installations including the cost of wiring, lamps etc. and also to bear the electricity charges. Accordingly the estimate should be accompanied by a clear certificate from the local authority who is prepared to meet the cost of the electric installations and maintenance and running charges.

For the electrification of an existing bridge separate estimate may be prepared showing in detail the fixtures to be provided and the method of attachment of these fixtures to the existing bridge. This estimate should also be accompanied by a certificate in the above mentioned form from the concerned local authority.

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