## F. No. RW/G-23012/01/2019-W&A (Part-IV) Government of India Ministry of Road Transport & Highways (Planning Zone)

Transport Bhawan, 1 Parliament Street, New Delhi-110001

Dated: 04.02.2021

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The Chairman, National Highways Authority of India, G-5&6, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi-110075.

## [Kind Attn:- Shri Akhilesh Srivastava, CGM (IT)]

Sub:- Draft SOP for data collection under Road Asset Management System (RAMS) for the entire National Highways (NHs) Network in the Country - Reg.

Sir,

Your kind attention is drawn to email from GM(IT), NHAI dated 14.12.2020, wherein the draft SOP for data collection through NSV under Road Assessment Management System (RAMS) was circulated.

2. In this connection, the following observations/comments are made for taking up further necessary action:-

- i) NHAI has suggested 8 (eight) nos. of data collection templates for proper functioning of RAMS.
- It is requested to immediately initiate process for validating and analysing NSV and FWD data to be made available by States/UTs, NHIDCL, etc., for prioritisation of NHs projects rather than waiting for the comprehensive data prescribed as per above mentioned 8 templates.
- iii) NSV is to be deployed in all projects of development and strengthening, before start of work & issue of Completion Certificate and, thereafter, every six months, as per extant policy of the Ministry.
- iv) Additionally, pavement strength is to be measured FWD, at least once a year upon completion of project, as per extant policy of the Ministry on EPC projects.
- v) One of the key functions of the RAMS Group, as identified by NHAI under section 5.2 of the draft SOP, is "to identify potential improvement and up-gradation of projects on PPP/EPC basis or otherwise". In this connection, basic data for project viability may be provided as far as possible without specifically suggesting mode of implementation of project.

3. In view of the above, it is requested to take up necessary action for validation and analysis of NSV/FWD data towards enabling optimisation in Planning, prioritisation of projects, etc.

Yours faithfully,

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