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## RW/NH/34048/7/2013-S&R(P&B) Government of India Ministry of Road Transport &Highways (Zone-S&R-P&B) Transport Bhawan, 1, Parliament Street, New Delhi -110001

## Dated: January 07, 2019,

## Subject: Selection of Authority's Engineer for works to be implemented on Engineering Procurement and Construction (EPC) mode -reg

Reference: Ministry Circular no- RW/NH-34048/7/2013-S&R(B) dated 29.10.2018.

This is with reference to the note of NHIDCL dated 12.11.2018 requesting thereby exemption from the applicability of circular dated 29.10.2018 for the works being executed by NHIDCL. The Ministry has stipulated vide above stated circular dated 29.10.2018 that State PWD/ NHAI/ NHIDCL/ BRO shall act as Authority Engineer for all the EPC projects costing (civil work cost put to tender) upto Rs. 300 crores. The circular further allows the Authority to appoint Authority Engineer for the specialized nature of work/ structure/ difficult site conditions with the approval of DG(RD)&SS/ Chairman, NHAI/ MD, NHIDCL as the case may be even for the projects costing less than Rs. 300 crores. Moreover, engaging specialized persons for limited purpose/ period by the Authority are also allowed for projects costing less than Rs. 300 crores.

2. It is clarified in this behalf that the above amendment circular dated 29.10.2018 was issued with an intention to reduce dependency of implementing agencies over consultants and to increase involvement of officials/ engineers of implementing agencies in projects in order to create a sense of ownership and have better control over quality and output of construction. As such, the spirit of the amendment circular is to build the sense of ownership and to bear the responsibility by the implementing agency.

3. As regards supervision charges, it is reiterated that in case the concerned agency i.e. State PWD/ NHAI/ NHIDCL/ BRO etc. act as an Authority Engineer for the projects costing less than Rs. 300 crore, supervision charges @ 3% would be payable in addition to the agency charges/ administrative charges.

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