

D.O. LETTER NO. RM-14 (1)/81 DATED THE 17TH MARCH 1983 FROM DIRECTOR GENERAL (ROAD DEVELOPMENT) AND ADDL. SCEY. TO THE GOVT. OF INDIA ADDRESSED TO CHIEF ENGINEERS OF ALL STATE P.W.Ds. (BY NAME)

From time to time we have been writing to you regarding preparation and submission of utilisation programme of the Central Machinery given to your State for the execution of National Highways and other Central Sector Road Works. As the same is now due for the year 1983-84, I am taking advantage to draw your kind attention to the following important aspects, of which I am sure you are already aware :

- (1) Proper planning and efficient management of machines will lead to their optimum utilisation and thereby reduce the unit cost of work.
- (2) By now most of the State PWDs have developed fairly good team of experienced and skilled staff for the operation and maintenance of heavy and sophisticated equipments, who are also to be usefully engaged to the extent possible.
- (3) Some of the items of Central machines might not be needed on a long term basis in the State, which should be listed as overall surplus, for further action in the Ministry.
- (4) At the present juncture, there is paucity of funds for N.H. works which is acting as constraint for taking up all the desired works. Hence, the need for extra efforts to engage the machines as best as possible on already sanctioned works—original, renewal and maintenance.

In view of the above the annual utilisation programme for the year 1983-84 has acquired added importance. It is in this context that I seek your cooperation, and would request you to closely review the position, and forward the realistic utilisation programme, after having been discussed and finalised at your end, latest by 30th April, 1983. Needless to say that Ministry's Regional SE (Civil) and SE (Mechanical) will be too willing to help you in this task.