<u>ABSTRACT</u>

R & B Department – Adoption of MoRTH data by all Engineering Departments of Telangana State in respect of Road and Bridge works, with prevailing Standard Schedule of Rates in preparation of estimates – Orders – Issued.

TRANSPORT, ROADS & BUILDINGS (R-1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.15

Dated:24-12-2014.

Read the following:-

- 1. G.O.Ms.No.49, I & CAD (PW Reforms) Dept., Dt.2-3-2009.
- 2. From the Builder's Association of India, Telangana State, representation, dt.2-9-2014.
- 3. Govt.Memo.No.959/R-1(1)/14-1 & 2, TR & B (R-I) Dept., Dt.6-9-2014.
- 4. From the E-in-C (R&B), Admn. & Q.C., Lr.No.3/ENC/R & B/Tel/MC/14, Dt.22-11-2014.

In G.O.1st read above orders were issued for adoption of the Revised and updated Standard data in all Engineering / Public works Department and other organizations in four parts considering the nature of works, location of work and magnitude of work as indicated below:

Part I	-	Irrigation & Commandant Area Development
Part II	-	Roads & Bridges
Part III	-	Buildings
Part IV	-	Drinking Water Supply Scheme.

2. In the reference 2nd read above, the Builders Association of India, Telangana State has requested the Government to consider for adoption of new SSR with MoRTH Data in R & B Department.

3. In reference 3rd read above, a Committee of E-in-Cs / CEs was constituted for analysing the issue and the said committee has submitted its report with following observations:

- a) The MoRTH Specifications are evolved after elaborate discussions with Highway Engineers from all over the Country and in consonance with IRC guidelines. IRC is the apex technical body for the Highway Engineers.
- b) IRC codes, MoRTH specifications are required to be adopted for construction and maintenance of Roads and Bridges so as to be in alignment with Central Ministry's guidelines
- c) Adoption of different Standard Data for State funded works and Central funded works in the same dept. would result in non uniform practice giving scope for litigations, audit objections, claims etc.

4. The Committee of Engineers-in-Chief/Chief Engineers has recommended to continue adoption of MoRTH Standard Data in toto for road and bridge works taken up on all R&B roads in Telangana State and to adopt latest Standard Schedule of Rates on par with other engineering departments in order to provide the realistic rates in the preparation of estimates.

5. Subsequently, in view of formation of new State of Telangana and also keeping in view the unique requirements of Panchayat Raj, R & B, Irrigation, Public Health Departments etc., including Government of India funding norms, it became imperative to review the entire issue of SSR rates and the matter was further referred to the Board of Chief Engineers.

In his letter 4th read above, the E-in-C (R&B), Admn. & Q.C. has furnished the 6. minutes of the meeting of Board of Chief Engineers, which met on 14-11-2014.

The Board of Chief Engineers has observed that adoption of MoRTH Data for 7. all R & B works in Telangana State is necessary for the following reasons:-

- a) The MoRTH specifications are evolved after elaborate discussions with High way Engineers from all over the Country and in consonance with IRC guidelines. IRC is the apex technical body for the Highway Engineers.
- b) IRC codes, MoRTH specifications are required to be adopted for construction and maintenance for Roads and bridges so as to be in alignment with central ministries guidelines.
- c) Roads in the State are inter transferable due to up gradation requirement i.e. roads laid by PR department, I & CAD department are usually transferred to R & B dept. for future up-gradation, maintenance based on specific Government orders.
- d) All the Major States are implementing the MoRTH data.
- e) MoRTH is being updated every year.
- f) Most of the Central Government organizations are also implementing MoRTH data.

Finally, the Board of Chief Engineers have unanimously recommended the 8. adoption of MoRTH data by all Engineering Departments of Telangana State in respect of Road and Bridge works, with prevailing SS Rates, in preparation of estimates. Accordingly, Part II of Common Standard Schedule of Rates, will be made applicable for the entire engineering departments in respect of Roads & Bridge works.

Government, after careful examination of the matter, hereby accept the 9. recommendations of the Board of Chief Engineers for adoption of MoRTH data by all Engineering Departments of Telangana State in respect of Road and Bridge works, with prevailing SS Rates, in preparation of estimates and also to apply Part II of Common SS Rates, for the entire engineering departments in respect of Roads & Bridge works, in relaxation of the Government orders issued in G.O.Ms.No.49, I & CAD (PW Reforms) Dept., Dt.2-3-2009.

The Engineer-in-Chief (R&B), Administration & Quality Control is requested 10. to take necessary further action in the matter.

11. These orders shall come into force from the date of issue.

12. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance (EBS X) Department, vide their U.O.No.7420/190/A1/EBS X/2014, Dt.16-12-2014.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

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