



ABSTRACT

Enhancement of the delegation of powers for the technical sanction and approval of tenders to Divisional Engineers / Superintending Engineers and Chief Engineers of Highways Department – Comprehensive orders – Issued.

Highways (HN1) Department

G.O. Ms. No. 80

Dated: 28-03-2007

Read:

1. G.O. Ms. No. 2086, Public Works Department, Dated 25.10.1989.
2. G.O. Ms. No. 108, Highways (HN) Department, Dated 23.06.2000.
3. From the Chief Engineer (General), Highways Letter No. 1757/ Contracts 1/2002, dated 21.11.2006.

ORDER:

The Government in the G.O. second read above have delegated powers for technical sanction and acceptance of tenders to the Officers of the Highways Department as follows:

Sl. No.	Authority	Technical Sanction for Estimate	Powers of Tender acceptance
(i)	Divisional Engineer / Executive Engineer	Upto Rs.30.00 Lakhs	Upto Rs. 10.00 Lakhs
(ii)	Superintending Engineer	Upto Rs.1.00 crore	Upto Rs.30.00 Lakhs
(iii)	Chief Engineer	Full Powers	Upto Rs.One Crore

Further, as per the G.O. first read above, for works costing Rs.100 Lakhs and above, it has been ordered that pre-qualification of the contractors, solvency capability, experience and technical knowledge should also be taken into consideration before issue of tender schedule to a contractor.

2. With a view to avoid delay in the examination of plan schemes and also reduce unnecessary correspondence, the Chief Engineer (General) has requested to enhance the aforesaid powers and pre-qualification limit. The Government after careful examination, have decided to enhance the powers of various officers and to revise the

pre-qualification limit. Accordingly, in partial modification of the Government orders first and second read above, the Government direct that the powers of the technical sanction and approval of tenders in Highways Department be enhanced and fixed as indicated in annexure to this order so as to speed up execution of works and prevent undue splitting of works subject to the condition that the competent tender accepting authority should record reasons in writing for acceptance of tender excess with detailed justification for the same. This order comes into force with immediate effect.

3. The Government also direct that the pre-qualification limit of contractors shall be enhanced to Rs. 2.00 crores (Rupees Two crores only).

4. The Chief Engineer (General), Highways Department is requested to send necessary proposals for amending of Tamil Nadu Highways Manual accordingly.

5. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O. No.19565/PWD-1/2007, dated: 27.03.2007.

(By order of the Governor)

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Secretary to Government.

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ANNEXURE

G.O. MS. No. 80, Highways (HN1) Department, Dated : 28.03.2007.

Sl. No.	Authority	Powers now delegated
I. <u>To Accord Technical Sanction</u>		
1	Divisional Engineer	Upto Rs.50.00 Lakhs
2	Superintending Engineer	Upto Rs.2.00 Crores
3	Chief Engineer	Full Powers
II. <u>To prepare and accord Technical Approval for Detailed Designs, Drawings and Estimates :</u>		
1	Chief Engineer (H) Designs & Investigation (for design oriented works)	Above Rs.2.00 Crores [Chief Engineers upto Rs.2.00 crores and Superintending Engineer / Divisional Engineer's will have powers to approve designs and estimates as per their respective limits]
III. <u>To accept Tenders</u>		
1	Divisional Engineer	Upto Rs.15.00 Lakhs (upto 3% excess)
2	Superintending Engineer	Upto Rs.15.00 Lakhs (upto 6% excess) and Upto Rs.1.00 crore (upto 3% excess)
3	Chief Engineer	Upto Rs.1.00 crore (upto 6% excess) and Upto Rs.2.00 crore (upto 3% excess)
4	Board of Engineers	Upto Rs.50.00 Lakhs (above 6% excess)
5	Commissionerate of Tenders	Above 3% or 6% as the case may be for delegations not covered under Sl. Nos. 3 and 4. Above Rs.2.00 Crores (irrespective of tender excess)

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