Road Safety Audit and Works in consequence thereof Hon'ble Supreme Court Directions Hon'ble Justice Radhakrishnan Committee Report.

GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA

Public Works Department

Government Circular No. Misc-2019/CR-01/Plan-3,

Mantralaya, Mumbai-400 032 Date:- 11th January, 2019

Please Read: 1) Govt. Circular: Misc./102009/CR-3/Plan-3, Dated 22 Feb, 2001.

2) Govt. Circular; Misc./ 2017/CR-18/NH 2, Dated 27 Feb, 2017

Back Ground:-

Aggrieved by the increase in fatalities due to accident on roads, the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India has constituted a Road Safety Committee under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Justice Radhakrishnan (Rtd). The committee reviews the various aspects of accidents on roads and road safety matters and has issued guide lines to be followed by the states. In view of the guidelines, the Government has issued instructions vide circular under reference No.2 dated 27th Feb, 2017. In furtherer to above instructions following additional instructions are issued for the compliance of instructions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court,

Orders:-

The Government has made it mandatory to provide 1% (One percent) of the project cost in the estimates for Administrative Approval, in addition to Contingencies (5%) and Computerization Charges at (2%) for the purpose of Road Safety Audit. Those instructions were applicable for the works costing Rs. 10 Crores and above.

Now vide this circular, it is directed to provide 1% (One percent) of the project cost for Road Safety Audit in all the estimates of road projects having length 5 Kms. or more and all bridge projects irrespective of the limit of 10 Crores. Out of 1%, 0.15% shall be the upper limit

on expenditure of pre and post Road Safety Audit and 0.85% shall be spent on the outcome of audit so that safety measures are attended and safety of road users is ensured.

The provision of 1% for Road Safety Audit is now made mandatory for road works having length in physical scope of 5 Kms. or more even in Annual Maintenance Works and biannual maintenance works under Plan and Non plan grants and all bridges works.

The use of the this provision shall be made for compulsory Road Safety Audit at the time of following 5 stages.

- 1. Planning and Designing of the road or bridge project.
- 2. Technical Sanction /Approval for the road/ bridge project.
- 3. Execution of the road /bridge project.
- 4. Within 6 months after the completion of the roads /bridge project.
- 5. At the end of the defect liability period of the project.

The Chief Engineer/ Superintending Engineer/ Executive Engineer shall accord Technical Sanction to the plans and estimates of all new construction/improvement /maintenance works of roads and bridges only after verifications of the all provisions required after the road safety audit and recording the certificate to that effect in the estimates under their own personal signature.

This circular is issued in concurrence with the Internal Financial Adviser (IFA) & Joint Secretary of Public Works Department & instructions therein shall be scrupulously followed to avoid contempt of the Hon'ble Supreme Court order.

This Government Circular of Maharashtra Government is available at the website www.maharashtra.gov.in. Reference no. for this is 201901111741331018. This Circular has been signed digitally.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra.

(C.P. Joshi)

Secretary (Roads) to the Govt. of Maharashtra

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- 1. P.S. to Hon'ble Minister (P.W.D.) Mantralaya, Mumbai.
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- 3. Transport Commissioner, Transport Commissioner Office, Bandra (E), Mumbai-51
- 4. The Joint Secretary to the Chief Secretary for information.
- 5. P.A. to Principal Secretary, Public Works Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai.
- 6. P.A. to Principal Secretary, Transport Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai.
- 7. P.A. to Secretary (Roads), Public Works Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai.
- 8. P.A. to Secretary (Works), Public Works Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai.
- 9. Chief Engineer & Joint Secretary, Public Works Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai.
- 10. Internal Financial Adviser (IFA) & Joint Secretary of Public Works Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai.
- 11. Superintending Engineer, Vigilance & Quality Control Circle, Mumbai, Pune, Nashik, Aurangabad, Nagpur, Amravati. They are directed to inspect at least 10 works in each district in the year 2019-20 with respect to works of road safety
- 12. All Deputy Secretary, Public Works Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai.
- 13. All Under Secretary, Public Works Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai.
- 14. All Assistant Chief Engineers in the office Chief Engineer.
- 15. All Executive Engineer, Public Works Department.
- 16. All Desk Officer, Public Works Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai.
- 17. Select File (Plan-3).