Construction of Roads on new embankment and in rock cutting.

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Guidelines have been prescribed in Chief Engineer Circular No. 6 of 1974 issued vide

Government, Building and Communications Department's No. PLN- 1071/ 135440/P-IC, dated.

13.1.75, for adoption of crust and black topping treatment under different conditions of rainfall

and C.B.R. of sub-grades. The treatments have been suggested separately for new construction of

roads and strengthening of existing road pavements. It has, however, been brought to the notice

of Government that the roads constructed on new embankments and cuttings by following these

guidelines develop ruts, pot holes and undulations during the first monsoon itself.

i) In case of newly constructed embankments stage construction may be adopted i.e. traffic may

be allowed on the embankment for one or two monsoon depending on the height of the

embankment and the type of the soil used in the embankment by constructing only the

W.B.M. course with a suitable dust proofing treatment. The crust for intermediate traffic

should be designed for present day traffic subject to a minimum thickness of 30cm. on State

Highways. Final wearing surface of B.M. or A.C. or other bituminous courses may be

provided after making good the settlement, if any.

ii) In case of cuttings, stage constrictions as stated in (I) above may be adopted. Proper attention

should be given to provide adequate drainage by providing deep side gutters below the sub-grade

level. In case of rock cuttings undulations in rocky sub-grade should be filled by lean bituminous

mixes and the base courses should also be constructed in bituminous construction. The entire

formation width of the road in the cutting portion should be provided with bituminous surface in

case of important roads and with metal surface in case of less important roads.

3. The above instructions may please be followed scrupulously future while constructing roads

on new embankments and cuttings.

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