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No. H-39011/30/2015-P&P (Pt.)

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To,

1. The Chief Secretaries of all State Governments / UTs
2. The Principal Secretaries/ Secretaries of all States/ UTs Public Works Department dealing with National Highways, other Centrally Sponsored Schemes & State Schemes.
3. The Engineers-in-Chief and Chief Engineers of all States/ UTs Public Works Department dealing with National Highways, other Centrally Sponsored Schemes & State Schemes.

Subject: Delegation of powers to Chief Engineer - Regional Officer (CE-RO) at MoRT&H Regional Offices

Madam/ Sir,

1. To strengthen the Regional Officers, the Ministry has decided that certain Regional Offices shall be headed by a Chief Engineer rank officer, hereinafter referred to as CE-RO, who shall exercise the same powers as are being exercised at present by the Project Zone Chief Engineers posted in MoRT&H Headquarters.
2. All Chief Engineers posted in Regional Offices i.e. CE-RO shall report directly to the DG (RD) & SS / concerned ADG, while other Regional Offices headed by a Superintending Engineer (SE-RO) or by an Engineering Liaison Officer (ELO) will report to the concerned Project Zone Chief Engineer posted in MoRT&H Headquarters.

Delegation of Powers and corresponding responsibilities across project stages

1 Planning and Sanction of estimates

- 1.1 Project identification for Annual Plan (Original works):** The concerned CE-RO / SE-RO / ELO of the Ministry, in consultation with the State Government, shall continue to perform duties of initial identification and prioritization of projects, and preparation of initial draft of

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annual plan for the state, including the budget requirement. The CE-RO / SE-RO / ELO would submit the initial draft plan to the DG (RD) & SS or concerned ADG / Chief Engineer at the MoRT&H Headquarters. Based on discussions, the Planning Zone at Headquarters would compile and finalize the Annual Plan, and obtain approval of Competent Authority.

- 1.2 Technical sanction of detailed estimates for original works:** The powers to provide technical sanction would continue to be as per delegations to officers of different rank, irrespective of the posting of the officer i.e. whether in HQ or in Regional Offices or ELO offices, as per order no. NH-15017/146/2014-P&M dated 01 August, 2016. The delegation of powers for technical sanction of detailed estimates for original works is in Table 1, as per order issued by the Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, Government of India vide order no. 24(35)/PF-II/2012 dated 05 August, 2016:

Cost (Rs. Cr)	Technical Sanction by officer of Designation	Scheme / Project Appraisal by	Scheme / Project Approval by
< 25	Executive Engineer	Financial Adviser	Secretary of the Administrative Department
25 – 100	Superintending Engineer	Financial Adviser	Secretary of the Administrative Department
100 – 500	Chief Engineer	SFC / DIB chaired by the Secretary of the Administrative Department	Minister-in-charge of the Administrative Department
500 – 1000	Chief Engineer	EFC / PIB chaired by the Expenditure Secretary, except departments/ schemes/ projects for which special dispensation has been notified by the Competent Authority	Minister-in-charge of the Administrative Department and Finance Minister, except where special powers have been delegated by the Finance Ministry
> 1000	Director General / Additional Director General	EFC / PIB chaired by the Expenditure Secretary, except departments/ schemes/ projects for which special dispensation has been notified by the Competent Authority	Cabinet/ Committee of the Cabinet concerned with the subject

Table 1: Delegation of powers for technical sanction of detailed estimates for original works



- 1.3 Annual Renewal Plan for PR/IRQP works:** The concerned CE-RO / SE-RO / ELO of the Ministry, in consultation with the State Government, shall continue to process the proposal for the State, comprising of draft Annual Renewal Plan (ARP) and Abstract Estimate. CE-RO / SE-RO / ELO shall submit the final proposal to the DG (RD) & SS or concerned ADG / Project Zone Chief Engineer at Headquarters who would coordinate with Finance Wing for concurrence and obtain Administrative Approval & Financial Sanction of Competent Authority.
- 1.4 Technical sanction/ approval for individual detailed estimates of PR/IRQP works:** The CE-RO shall accord Technical Sanction (TS) for individual detailed estimates for works prepared by CE (NH) and forwarded to Regional Office/ Engineering Liaison Office, provided the excess in such estimates are up to $\pm 10\%$ of the amount mentioned against the work as per the sanctioned ARP and the total cost of technically sanctioned works does not exceed the stipulated sanction ceiling. In case a CE-RO is not posted at the Regional Office, the Technical Sanction would continue to be accorded by the concerned Project Zone Chief Engineer at the Headquarters complying with conditions specified above, as per existing order no. I-26011/3/2001(12)-P&M (Pt.) dated 29 July, 2016.
- 1.5 Sanction of work under Flood Damage Repairs (FDR):** The concerned CE-RO / SE-RO / Engineering Liaison Officer of the Ministry, in consultation with the State Government, shall continue to identify the works for inclusion under FDR and finalize provisions in the estimate within the funds made available, as communicated by the Planning Zone at Headquarters to the Regional Office / Engineering Liaison Office as per the existing order no. I-26011/3/2001(12)-P&M (Pt.) dated 03 January, 2013.

2 Procurement and Award of Work

2.1 DPR / Feasibility Report

- 2.1.1 Invitation of bids for DPR / FS:** The DPR proposal shall continue to be invited as per order no. H-39011/30/2015-P&P(Pt.-I) dated 22 August, 2016, by the State PWD and evaluated at their level involving the CE-RO / SE-RO of the Ministry.
- 2.1.2 Evaluation of bids for DPR / FS:** The evaluation of bids shall continue to be conducted by the State PWD as per order no. H-39011/30/2015-P&P(Pt.-I) dated 22 August, 2016.
- 2.1.3 Approval of Tender based estimate for DPR / FS:** Tender based estimate for preparation of DPR/ feasibility report shall be approved/ sanctioned by the CE-RO at the Regional Office provided the cost is within the approved tentative cost with concurrence of the Deputy Financial Advisor. In case a CE-RO is not posted at the Regional Office, then the estimate shall continue to be approved/ sanctioned by the concerned Project Zone Chief Engineer posted in the Headquarters as per order no. H-39011/30/2015-P&P(Pt.-I)

dated 22 August, 2016. In case the tender based estimate is more than the approved tentative cost, a separate approval for sanction shall be obtained from Competent Authority as may be specified.

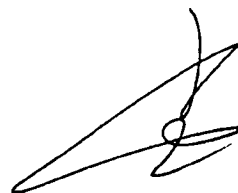
- 2.1.4 **Preparation, Review and Approval of DPR / FS:** The reviewing and accepting authority of DPR/ FS reports would continue to be the Chief Engineer, PWD/ Chief Engineer, BRO in consultation with the CE-RO / SE-RO, MoRT&H as per order no. H-39011/30/2015-P&P(Pt.-I) dated 22 August, 2016. If a CE-RO is posted at the Regional Office, then the alignment plan would be approved by the CE-RO, else the alignment plan shall continue to be approved by the concerned Project Zone Chief Engineer posted at the Headquarters.
- 2.1.5 **Extension of Time and Variation / Change of Scope for DPR / FS:** In case Extension of Time is required for carrying out the DPR/ feasibility report, it shall be granted by the CE-RO at the Regional Office in the state. The matter of variation/ change of scope amounting to excess of upto 5% of consultancy contract amount for DPR/ FS shall be approved by the CE-RO at the Regional Office, MoRT&H. In case a CE-RO is not posted in the Regional Office, the approvals would continue to be granted by the concerned Project Zone Chief Engineer posted at the Headquarters as per order no. H-39011/30/2015-P&P(Pt.-I) dated 22 August, 2016. In case, the variation/ change of scope exceeds 5% of consultancy contract amount, revised approval shall be obtained from Competent Authority after following due process.

2.2 Civil Works

The existing delegations to State PWDs and Regional Officers have been detailed out below as per order no. RW/NH-24035/4/2008-P&M/PIC-EAP dated 31 March, 2016, with certain additional delegations to CE-RO.

2.2.1 Invitation of bids for civil works:

- i. Works with sanctioned cost of civil works up to Rs. 5 crores: Existing delegation to the State PWDs to call for and finalize tenders would continue.
- ii. Works with sanctioned cost of civil works more than Rs. 5 crores to Rs. 300 crores: Tenders may be invited by the State PWD using the requisite bidding document and procedure as per Ministry's extant guidelines.
- iii. Works with sanctioned cost of civil works more than Rs. 300 crores: Tenders will be invited by the CE-RO at the Regional Office. If CE-RO is not posted at the



Regional Office, then the tenders would continue to be invited by the concerned Project Zone Chief Engineer at the MoRT&H Headquarters.

2.2.2 Evaluation of bids for civil works:

- i. Works with sanctioned cost of civil works up to Rs. 5 crores: Existing delegation to the State PWDs to evaluate the bids and finalize tenders would continue.
- ii. Works with sanctioned cost of civil works more than Rs. 5 crores to Rs. 100 crores: Opening and evaluation of bids shall be done by the Evaluation Committee with the composition as mentioned in Table 2:

S.No.	Participant	Role
1	Chief Engineer (NH) of the concerned State PWD/ equivalent or any other officer of equivalent or higher rank, nominated by the Principal Secretary/ Secretary of State PWD/equivalent	Chairman
2	Representative of State Finance Department not below the rank of Deputy Secretary	Member
3	SE-RO / Engineering Liaison Officer / Officer nominated by the CE-RO, MoRT&H	Member
4	Superintending Engineer (concerned NH circle) of State PWD/ equivalent	Member
5	Executive Engineer (concerned NH circle) of the State PWD/ equivalent	Member Secretary

Table 2: Constitution of Evaluation Committee for works with sanctioned cost more than Rs. 5 cr. to Rs. 100 cr.

- iii. Works with sanctioned cost of civil works more than Rs. 100 crores to Rs. 300 crores: In case a SE-RO is posted as the Regional Officer, then opening and evaluation of bids shall be done by the Evaluation Committee having the same composition as mentioned in Table 2 above. The evaluated bids shall then be examined by a Screening Committee with the composition as mentioned in Table 3. In such cases, the Screening Committee shall be convened at MoRT&H Headquarters.

In cases where CE-RO is posted at the Regional Office, opening and evaluation of bids shall be done by the Evaluation Committee with the composition as mentioned in Table 3, with no further requirement of Screening Committee. In case a CE-RO is posted at the Regional Office, the Evaluation Committee shall be convened at the Regional Office, with the representative of Finance Wing (MoRT&H) attending the Evaluation Committee meeting:

S.No.	Participant	Role
1	CE-RO if posted at the MoRT&H Regional Office, else the concerned Project Zone Chief Engineer at the MoRT&H Headquarters	Chairman
2	Chief Engineer (NH) of the concerned State PWD/ equivalent	Member
3	Superintending Engineer (MoRT&H) from any other Regional Office or MoRT&H Headquarters nominated by DG (RD) & SS / ADG	Member
4	Representative of Finance Wing (MoRT&H)	Member
5	Superintending Engineer/Executive Engineer (MoRT&H) dealing with the State/work	Member Secretary

Table 3: Constitution of Screening Committee if Regional Officer is SE-RO / Constitution of Evaluation Committee if Regional Officer is CE-RO

- iv. Works with sanctioned cost of civil works more than Rs. 300 crores: Opening and evaluation of bids shall be done by the Evaluation Committee with the same composition as mentioned in Table 3 above. In case a CE-RO is posted at the Regional Office, the Evaluation Committee shall be convened at the Regional Office, else the Evaluation Committee shall be convened at MoRT&H Headquarters.

2.2.3 Acceptance of bids for civil works:

- i. Works with sanctioned cost of civil works up to Rs. 5 crores: Existing delegation to the State PWDs to finalize and accept the bids would continue.
- ii. Works with sanctioned cost of civil works more than Rs. 5 crores to Rs. 100 crores: The Authority to accept bids, which are within 5% of tender premium, based on recommendation of the Evaluation Committee mentioned in Table 2 and for carrying out all the necessary contractual formalities leading up to signing of the contract agreement in a time bound manner shall be not below the rank of Principal Secretary/ Secretary State PWD/equivalent or an officer not below the rank of Chief Engineer nominated by the Principal Secretary/ Secretary State PWD/equivalent.
- iii. Works with sanctioned cost of civil works more than Rs. 100 crores to Rs. 300 crores: The Authority to accept bids shall be the Chairman of the Evaluation Committee as mentioned in Table 3.
- iv. Works with sanctioned cost of civil works more than Rs. 300 crores to 500 crores: The Competent Authority in Ministry to accept the bids, based on the recommendations of the Evaluation Committee as mentioned in Table 3, shall be concerned ADG / DG (RD) & SS / Secretary or as may be specified from time to time.



- v. Works with sanctioned cost of civil works more than Rs. 500 crores: The Competent Authority in the Ministry to accept the bids based on the recommendations of the Evaluation Committee as mentioned in Table 3, will be Minister (RT&H).
- vi. For projects mentioned in (iii), (iv) and (v), the file for acceptance of the bid shall be sent by the CE-RO / SE-RO / ELO to the DG (RD) & SS / concerned ADG / Project Zone Chief Engineer.

2.2.4 Issue of Letter of Acceptance/ Awards (LOA) for civil works:

- i. Works with sanctioned cost of civil works up to Rs. 5 crores: Existing delegation to the State PWDs to issue letter of acceptance/ award would continue.
- ii. Works with sanctioned cost of civil works more than Rs. 5 crores to Rs. 100 crores: In all cases where the tender premium is within 5%, the LOA shall be issued by the appropriate authority not below the rank of Superintending Engineer (concerned NH circle).
- iii. Works with sanctioned cost of civil works more than Rs. 100 crores to Rs. 300 crores: In all cases where the tender premium is within 5%, the LOA shall be issued by the appropriate authority not below the rank of Chief Engineer (NH) in the State PWD.
- iv. Works with sanctioned cost of civil works more than Rs. 300 crores: In all cases where the tender premium is within 5%, the LOA shall be issued by the Chairman of the Evaluation Committee and signing of contract agreement shall be done by the appropriate authority in the State PWD but not below the rank of Superintending Engineer.
- v. In case the issue of LOA and signing of contract, as mentioned above is not executed by the State PWD, Ministry reserves the right to do the same through its CE-RO if posted at the MoRT&H Regional Office, else through the concerned Project Zone Chief Engineer at the Headquarters.
- vi. The delegation of powers for acceptance of bids beyond 5% of tender premium in all cases shall be with the Competent Authority at MoRT&H Headquarters.

2.3 Authority Engineer

- 2.3.1 The delegation of powers for invitation, evaluation and acceptance of bids for selection of Authority Engineer for different category of projects shall be as per order no. NH-11014/7/2013-P&M(Pt.) dated. 06 May, 2016, detailed out in Table 4.



#	Category of project	Sanctioned cost of project	Invitation and evaluation of bids by	Acceptance of bids by
1	Projects not involving bridges with innovative design like cable stayed, suspension, etc	≤ 300 Crore	State PWD as per their own procedure	
2		> 300 Crore	Regional Office / PIU / ELO office of MoRT&H dealing with the State/ work	Regional Officer (MoRT&H) dealing with the State/ work
3	Projects involving bridges with innovative design like cable stayed, suspension, etc	Any amount	Superintending Engineer S&R (Bridges)	Chief Engineer, S&R (Bridges), MoRT&H

Table 4: Selection of Authority Engineer

3 Pre-construction activities

3.1 Utility Shifting:

- 3.1.1 Within the overall financial limits for utility shifting as set out in the Administrative Approval (AA) and Financial Sanction (FS), the CE-RO / SE-RO/ Engineering Liaison Officer of the Ministry has been delegated to exercise powers for approval of such individual proposals as per existing order no. NH-18011/1/2012-P&M (Pt.II) dated 11 March, 2016 and 29 July 2016:
- i. Shifting of power transmission/ distribution lines: Rs. 5 crore for each Division of the user agency.
 - ii. Utilities other than power: Rs. 2 crore for each Division of the user agency.
- 3.1.2 In all other cases, the proposal(s) would be evaluated by the CE-RO if posted at the Regional Office. In case an SE-RO is posted at the Regional Office, the proposal(s) would be sent to the concerned Project Zone Chief Engineer at the MoRT&H Headquarters. The CE-RO at the Regional Office / concerned Project Zone Chief Engineer at the MoRT&H Headquarters, shall communicate provisions and estimated costs of works to be taken up to the concerned user departments along with technical note with a copy to concerned Regional Office / Engineering Liaison Office, within a period of 15 days, subject to the condition that sum total of such estimates for Utility Shifting work does not lead to excess beyond 5% over sanctioned TPC (Total Project Cost excluding land acquisition).

3.2 Land Acquisition:

- 3.2.1 CE-RO / Regional Officers of MoRT&H shall be empowered to approve variations for meeting costs of Land Acquisition (LA) as long as the variation does not lead to excess beyond 5% over the sanctioned estimate.

4 Activities during Project Construction

4.1 Variation / Change of Scope for civil contracts:

- i. As per current delegation order no. NH-18011/1/2012-P&M dated 08 February, 2013 and 23 September, 2016, Regional Officers are empowered to accept variations/ extra items/ escalation/ price adjustments, etc., without requiring the approval of Finance Wing, such that overall excess inclusive of tender premium is within the 5% over the amounts for works plus the amount for contingencies provided in the sanctioned estimates subject to the condition that savings due to tender discounts would be excluded for working out such permissible excess.
- ii. In addition, the CE-RO and the Project Zone Chief Engineers at Headquarters are empowered to approve variations/ extra items/ escalation/ price adjustments/ bonus, payment towards micro plans/ tree cutting/ compulsory afforestation/ statutory charges, payment of any item under contingency, etc. as the additional costs does not lead to excess beyond 5% over sanctioned TPC.
- iii. For EPC contracts, the CE-RO and the Chief Engineers at Headquarters are empowered to accept proposals for change in scopes for Civil Work Components, without making a reference to Headquarters if the overall excess is within the 5% of the sanctioned cost of civil works or accepted bid value whichever is less plus the amount for contingencies provided in the sanctioned estimates. Wherever the overall excess is beyond the aforesaid limit but within 5% of the sanctioned TPC, then the concurrence of IFD shall be obtained by the CE-RO / SE-RO / ELO through the DG (RD) & SS or concerned ADG / Project Zone Chief Engineer.
- iv. For proposals involving excess beyond 5% over sanctioned TPC, the existing delegations would continue i.e. the consolidated proposals shall be processed for seeking approval of the Revised Cost Estimates (RCEs) by the Competent Authority at MoRT&H Headquarters.
- v. The CE-RO and the Chief Engineers at Headquarters shall be empowered to approve any other residuary item not covered under above delegation, with the concurrence of Finance Wing if norms of cost is not prescribed and without the

concurrence of Finance Wing if norms of cost is prescribed, as per existing order no. NH-15017/17(2)/2016-P&M dated 16 June, 2016.

4.2 Extension of Time for civil contracts:

- i. All Regional Officers are empowered to grant Extension of Time for the scheduled completion date provided that the value of works remains within the sanctioned cost or accepted tender value whichever is higher.
- ii. In addition, CE-RO and Chief Engineers at MoRT&H headquarters shall be empowered to grant Extension of Time for the scheduled completion date provided that the value of works remains within an excess of 5% over the original sanctioned cost estimate (OCE) or within the revised sanctioned cost estimate (RCE).

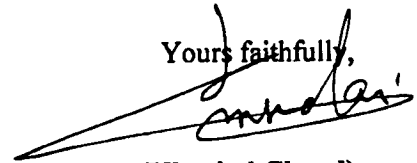
5 Administrative functions

5.1 Designation of DDO in Regional Office headed by CE-RO: In Regional Offices headed by a CE-RO, an officer from the Regional Office not below the rank of Superintending Engineer / Executive Engineer, shall be nominated by the CE-RO as the DDO. The proposal for the same shall be sent by the CE-RO to the Establishment Division at MoRTH Headquarters for approval. In Regional Offices headed by SE-RO, the SE-RO shall continue to be designated as the DDO.

6 All delegations of power listed in this circular are summarized in the table in Annexure I.

7 This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

Yours faithfully,



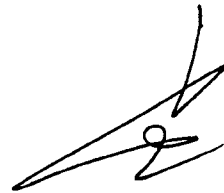
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Superintending Engineer (EAP)

For Director General (RD)& Special Secretary

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2. Secretary General, Indian Road Congress
3. Director, IAHE, NOIDA
4. All ROs and ELOs of MoRT&H



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Annexure I: Summary of Delegation of Powers wrt. Technical aspects of Projects

S. No.	Topic	State PWD	SE-RO as Regional Officer	CE-RO as Regional Officer / Project Zone Chief Engineer at MoRT&H HQ	Competent Authority at MoRT&H HQ
1.	Planning and Sanction of estimate				
(i)	Approval of Annual Plan (Original)				Full Powers
(ii)	Annual Renewal Plan for PR/IRQP works				Full Powers
(iii)	Sanction of work under Flood Damage Repairs			Full powers (within allocated funds)	
(iv)	Technical sanction of detailed estimates for original works			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 25 – 100 Cr: Superintending Engineer rank officer • 100 – 1000 Cr: Chief Engineer rank officer 	> 1000 Cr
(v)	Technical sanction/ approval for individual estimates of PR/IRQP works			Excess within $\pm 10\%$ of works amount as per sanctioned ARP and total cost of technically sanctioned works does not exceed the stipulated sanction ceiling.	
2	DPR / FS Procurement				
(i)	Invitation of bids	Full powers			
(ii)	Evaluation of bids	Full powers			
(iii)	Approval of Tender based estimate			Full powers with concurrence of DFA (within approved tentative cost)	
(iv)	Preparation, Review and Approval of DPR / FS	Full powers			
(v)	Approval of alignment plan			Full powers	
(vi)	EOT / COS / Variation			$\leq 5\%$ excess of sanctioned cost of civil works or accepted bid value whichever	$\leq 5\%$ excess of sanctioned TPC (with or without concurrence of

S. No.	Topic	State PWD	SE-RO as Regional Officer	CE-RO as Regional Officer / Project Zone Chief Engineer at MoRT&H HQ	Competent Authority at MoRT&H HQ
			is lower, plus contingency.	Finance Wing as applicable).	
3	Civil works procurement				
(i)	Invitation of bids	≤ 300 Cr ¹		> 300 Cr	
(ii)	Evaluation of bids	≤ 5 Cr	5 – 100 Cr (as Member of Evaluation Committee)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 100 – 300 Cr (as Chairman of the Screening Evaluation Committee) • > 300 Cr (as Chairman of the Evaluation Committee) 	
(iii)	Acceptance of bids	≤ 100 Cr ²		100 – 300 Cr	300 – 500 Cr ³
(iv)	Issue of Letter of Acceptance / Award (LOA)	< 300 Cr (provided tender premium is within 5% ⁴)		> 300 Cr (provided tender premium is within 5% ⁴)	
4	AE Procurement⁵				
(i)	Invitation of bids	≤ 300 Cr	> 300 Cr		
(ii)	Evaluation of bids	≤ 300 Cr	> 300 Cr		
(iii)	Acceptance of bids	≤ 300 Cr	> 300 Cr		
5	Pre-construction				
(i)	Utility Shifting – Electricity		≤ 5 Cr	Full powers upto excess of 5% over sanctioned TPC	
(ii)	Utility Shifting – Other than electricity		≤ 2 Cr		
(iii)	Land Acquisition		Variations ≤ 5% over the sanctioned TPC		
6	Project Construction				

¹ For tenders with sanctioned cost between 5 – 300 Cr, bids would be invited by State PWD/ BRO using requisite bidding document and procedures as per Ministry's extant guidelines

² For tenders with sanctioned cost between 5 – 100 Cr, accepting authority shall not be below the rank of Principal Secretary/ Secretary State PWD or an equivalent officer of the concerned State/ BRO

³ For tenders with sanctioned cost more than 500 Cr, the accepting authority would be Minister (RT&H)

⁴ If tender premium is more than 5%, the accepting authority would be the Competent Authority at HQ.

⁵ For projects not involving bridges with innovative design like cable stayed, suspension, etc

S. No.	Topic	State PWD	SE-RO as Regional Officer	CE-RO as Regional Officer / Project Zone Chief Engineer at MoRT&H HQ	Competent Authority at MoRT&H HQ
(i)	Variation / Change of Scope for civil contracts – Item Rate Contracts		≤ 5% over the sanctioned cost of civil works or accepted bid value whichever is lower, plus contingency	≤ 5% over sanctioned TPC	
(ii)	Variation / Change of Scope for civil contracts – EPC Contracts			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ≤ 5% over the sanctioned cost of civil works or accepted bid value whichever is lower (without concurrence of IFD) • ≤ 5% over sanctioned TPC (with concurrence of IFD) 	
(iii)	Any other variations			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excess ≤ 5% of the sanctioned TPC in case of OCE, • Excess within sanctioned TPC in case of RCE (with concurrence of IFD if cost norms do not exist) 	
(iv)	Contingency		Specified items chargeable under contingency upto the extent provision is available under sanctioned estimate	Any unforeseen/ necessary item upto the extent provision is available under sanctioned estimate	
(v)	Extension of Time		No financial implication i.e. cost of works	Excess ≤ 5% of the original sanctioned cost	

S. No.	Topic	State PWD	SE-RO as Regional Officer	CE-RO as Regional Officer / Project Zone Chief Engineer at MoRT&H HQ	Competent Authority at MoRT&H HQ
			remains within sanctioned cost or accepted tender value whichever is higher		

