OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER PWD RAJASTHAN JAIPUR

CIRCULAR NO. 01

During meetings of Standing Committee for Settlement of disputes to decide Appeal/No Appeal regarding the court decisions pertaining to arbitration cases, it has been observed that procedure and time line as prescribed in the clause 23 (amended upto 10-03-2010), clause 21 of agreement (amended upto 11-09-2012) & RPWA 90 are not being followed properly, as a result of which cases are invariably being decided against the Govt. and also the number of cases are increasing alarmingly.

It is therefore enjoined upon all concerned that provisions, procedure & time line as prescribed in the agreement and RPWA 90 must be followed strictly.

The time line to be followed as per provisions are re-iterated as under:-

1. If application received along with prescribed non refundable fee, the Engineer in charge shall refer the disputes with opinion/comments of the competent accounts personnel to Standing Committee for Settlement of disputes within 90 days.

2. If application is received but prescribed fee is not enclosed, the Engineer in charge shall issue a notice through registered post to the concerned contractor within 7 days to submit the prescribed fee within 7 days from receipt of notice.

3. If the contractor fails to submit the prescribed fee within 7 days, the Engineer in charge shall reject the application and shall inform the tender sanctioning authority.

The time line as above must be strictly adhered to so that cases are decided by Standing Committee for Settlement of disputes in time and unnecessary litigations in this regard are avoided.

R.K. Gupta
Chief Engineer & Addl. Secretary
PWD Rajasthan Jaipur

Copy to the Executive Engineer, PWD Distt. Ajmer/City Dn. Ajmer/Dn. Beawar to submit information/status report immediately.

TA to Superintending Engineer, PWD, Circle, Ajmer