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Despite instructions for using specified quality of bitumen, Government continued to receive complaints with regard to adulteration in refinery Bitumen by mixing foreign matter, extracting Bitumen from tankers and selling it. This inferior adulterated Bitumen leads to inferior quality of bituminous surfaces which do not last the expected design life and in many cases fail immediately after construction. It is therefore enjoined upon all Executive Engineers and Assistant Engineer to take random samples from each lot of bitumen & got it tested in the laboratory. If the bitumen is found to be of sub standard quality immediate legal action such as lodging FIR etc. be taken against the defaulter.

ALL RELEVANT TESTS FOR BITUMEN LIKE PENETRATION, SOFTENING POINT, DUCTILITY, FLASH POINT, PENETRATION ETC. SHOULD BE CARRIED OUT AS PER NORMS AND THE RESULTS SHOULD CONFIRM TO PROVISIONS AS PER IS & IRC CODES.

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