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NHAI/Policy Guidelines/Quality Assurance/2021 Policy Circular No.15.10/2021 dated 2nd July, 2021

(Decision taken File No: NHAI/CMD/PS&BG/2020 - Computer No: 46547)

Sub: EPC Projects - to drop Additional Security Deposit/ BG in case of Abnormally Low Bids (ALBs) and to take certain measures to ensure quantity & quality of works of ALBs.

The directions vide Policy Circular No. 3.1.30/2021 dated 20.01.2021 to continue with taking the additional BG for Abnormally Low Bids (ALBs) with maximum ceiling of Performance Security BG have been reconsidered and it has now been decided generally not to take additional BG for ALBs in future (except in some exceptional cases) and instead, the measures to ensure quality of works as proposed in Policy Guidelines No. 15.8/2021 dated 15.01.2021 shall be further strengthened as given below in order to ensure that the contractors of ALBs complete the projects with good quality as envisaged in the contract agreements at the quoted price:

| Sr. No. | Measures to be taken for ALBs | Bids 10% to 20% below | Bids more than 20% below |
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| 1. | Project to be identified separately on Data Lake and the details loaded should be monitored by PD, RO & Tech. Division and submit a monthly report on major issues for perusal of Member/ Chairman | Yes | Yes |
| 2. | (i) Deployment of sufficient resources by the Contractor (Key Personnel, Plant & Equipment, material, etc.) matching with the construction programme (ii) Monthly drone video recording of project highway as per Policy Guidelines dated 10.06.2021 | AE/PD/RO to monitor every month, issue notices and take timely actions to ensure quality and that there are no slippages in the project completion. Tech. Div. at HQ to monitor the project through Data Lake/ Drone Videos/ Site Inspections of HQ Officers. | |
| 3. | Additional Sub-professionals for entire construction period shall be given to AE for closely monitoring quality of works/ conducting tests | One Additional Engineer | Two Additional Engineers |
| 4. | Quality Inspection Team should visit the project regularly, SRD&Q Division to examine the quality reports and submit the reports for perusal of Chairman with suggestive actions to be taken by Tech. Division/RO/PD to ensure quality of works | Every 6 months | Every 3 months |

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| 5. | Inspection of works by | (i) PD | Every fortnight | Every fortnight |
| | | (ii) RO | Every 2 months | Every 2 months |
| | | (iii) HQ Officers | Every 3 months | Every 3 months |

2. This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.

11/02/2021
 (Sheo Shankar Jha)
 CGM (Coord.)

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