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Dated the 6th May, 2002.

To
The Chairman,
National Highways Authority of India,
G-5 and G-6, Sector-10, Dwarka,
New Delhi-110045.

Sub: Essentiality Certificate for the goods required for the externally aided projects - regarding.

Sir,

Ministry of Finance vide Notifications No. 84/97-Cum dated 11.11.1997 (for Custom) and 108/95 dated 28.8.1995 (for Excise) have exempted the goods from custom & excise duties respectively for the year 2002-2003.

Ministry has been receiving certificates for such exemptions in the past and after due examination by the Ministry these certificates have been issued duly counter-signing the same. While examining, the shortcomings or omissions of the certificates were brought to the notice of NHAI for necessary correction and also for necessary clarifications wherever required. In certain cases such processing has resulted in delay of issue of certificates. As the projects being executed by the National Highways Authority of India are very important and time bound, it has been decided that detailed examination of admissibility of goods and the basic information required in the certificate be examined in the Authority itself on behalf of the Ministry and such of the certificates, which are complete in all respects be submitted to the Ministry for mere counter-signature of competent authority, for expeditious action in the matter.

Since the certificates are entirely being processed in the Authority itself, necessary documentation of the same may be maintained for future references/correspondence thereof and Parliament Questions/references.

This issues with the approval of Secretary (RT&H).

Yours faithfully,

(S.B. Somayajulu)

Chief Engineer (Mech.)