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NHAI/Policy Guidelines/Land acquisition/2021 Policy Circular No.7.1.71/2021, Dated 11th March, 2021 (Decision taken on e-file Comp. No.65623)

Sub: Monitoring the progress of pre-construction activities for NH Projects

Refer Policy Circular No 7.1.69/2021 dated 01.02.2021 regarding Standard Operating Procedure for processing of proposals for consideration of LA committee. The economic viability of NH Projects is directly linked with timely handing over of encumbrance free land which is then dependent on many factors such as timely completion of all pre-construction activities viz land acquisition, environment clearances, utility shifting etc. Delay in timely completion of pre-construction activities results in delay in starting of civil works construction. It has also been observed that the tendering process for civil construction is not initiated concurrently with pre-construction activities which further delay the award of work. Due to this, NHAI incurs loss on account of interest on the cost of land acquisition payment of which is already made.

2. Approval of alignment and LA plan of new NH Projects by LAC is the first step towards optimizing the cost of land acquisition in a project which in turn helps in increasing the economic viability of the project. With a view to minimize the delay in project completion, which increase the project cost, review meetings are being taken by Member(Admin) and Chairman, on monthly basis, since June, 2020 to monitor the hindered length (gaps on account of land acquisition) in the projects already under construction. This monitoring has yielded substantial positive results. It has, therefore, been decided to extend this monitoring to all pre-construction activities for both under construction and new projects.

3. It has now, been decided to streamline the complete project cycle i.e. from the approval of alignment by LAC till start of toll revenue. For this, all pre-construction activities need to be synchronized with tendering process and construction schedule to save cost and increase economic viability of the projects. This needs to be monitored periodically to yield desired results.

4. In order to have effective monitoring, the following details shall be submitted while submitting the proposal for approval of LA plan by LAC:

(i) Complete Project cycle with detailed timelines for land acquisition(from the date of 3 A notification till the award and possession of land) and completion of other preconstruction activities such as utility shifting, environment clearances, likely bidding date, likely award date and likely appointed date, the expenditure details, etc.

5. During the monthly review meetings being taken by Member (Admin), status of all pre-construction activities viz land acquisition, environmental clearances, utility shifting etc. would be reviewed vis-à-vis the timelines given at the time of LAC approval. This will ensure that encumbrance free land is available for handing over to the concessionaire on the scheduled appointed date. A standard PPT format for the monthly review meetings is being prepared and the same would be shared shortly. The

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presentation submitted by ROs shall be checked by Technical Divisions to ensure that it contains all details in the prescribed format. The final presentation shall be sent to LA Division atleast two days prior to the meeting date so that the same can be checked and corrections required, if any, can be done timely.

6. All Technical Divisions/ROs shall follow the above instructions.
7. This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.

11.03.2021.
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