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**Subject: Adoption of Engineering Procurement Contract (EPC) mode of execution as a default mode**


BRO has always functioned as a work charged organization, executing most of the road projects departmentally and contracting out only small stretches. As a result, only small local contractors participate in BRO works, who are not able to bring requisite modernization/efficiency. Policy Guidelines were issued vide this office letter of even No dt 13 April 2017 for change in BRO's construction philosophy, offering the entire road as a viable project through tendering to big construction companies, so as to improve the pace of construction.

BRO has also adopted Detailed Project Report (DPR) mode of execution. Further, enhanced delegation of Administrative and Financial Powers have also been accorded right up to CE (P) level vide this office letter No. 04/696/2015/D&P (BR-I) dt 11 August, 2017 to bring about a transformational change in BRO and expedite the pace of road construction in the border areas.

2. In this scenario, it has been decided that with immediate effect, BRO should adopt only EPC mode of execution as a default mode as mentioned below:-

- (i) All projects of value more than 10 Crores (Ten Crores) (excluding land acquisition cost) will be taken up only after preparation of DPR. This will apply to both the Engineering Procurement Contract (EPC) projects and departmentally executed projects.
- (ii) All projects for which the value as per the DPR is above 100 Crores\* will be mandatorily executed as an EPC project. For any exception, approval of Project Approval Board (PAB) will be obtained.

3. This issues with the approval of Hon'ble RM.



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