

5. Department vide
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(By order of the Governor.)

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Commissioner and Secretary to Government

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GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU.

ABSTRACT.

Contracts—Splitting up of works of Public Works and Highways and Rural Works Department—Instructions issued

(G.O. Ms. No. 805, Public Works Department, dated 7th June 1976.)

READ:

Government Memo. No. 113095/C3/74-3, Public Works Department, dated 1st November 1974.

ORDER:

In the Government Memo. read above, orders were issued that intermediate steps regarding the settlement of tenders which would have a bearing on the final decision to be necessarily approved by the Government, as the decision regarding tenders for works costing more than Rs. 5.00 lakh has been reserved for the Government. The splitting up of work is also an item which leads to final decision in the settlement of tenders and hence the proposals for splitting up of works have to be approved by the Government with reference to the orders issued in the Memo. read above.

2. The Government have now decided to permit the Chief Engineers to split up works, as the splitting up of works has the following objectives:—

- (i) To obviate the difficulty of lack of contractors for taking up composite works for want of finance.
- (ii) Attract Local contractors to a large extent, leading to competitive bids, and
- (iii) Early execution of works.

They accordingly direct that the road, culvert and bridge works in the Highways and Rural Works Department (including National Highways Wing) and Buildings and irrigation works in Public Works Department be split up as follows for purpose of the administrative sanction and execution in the interests of administrative convenience and expedition:—

(i) In the case of bridge works, works such as (a) construction of bridge (b) formation of approach road (c) dismantlement of existing structure, (d) Protective works, (e) lighting the bridge, may each form separate components of the main work for purpose of administrative approval and execution. In the case of culverts, the masonry works and cross-drainage works may be considered as independent works for the same purpose: For road works, the initial formation, black topping and water-bound macadam may be treated as separate works for the same purpose. In the estimate for the bridge/culvert/road works, each of the component part with estimated amount should be shown separately to enable the Government to indicate the break up of each work while according sanction to the main scheme so that administrative sanction can be deemed to be separate for each and each work may be taken up independently following the Code rules.

(ii) In irrigation works, works such as earth work, excavation for dam, canals, distributaries masonry work for dams spill way aqueducts, lining cross drainage works culverts are involved and each work may be deemed as an independent part on separate estimate. The break up for such works should be indicated by the Chief Engineer in the main estimate while seeking the administrative sanction to the scheme to enable each work being deemed as a separate one, and taken up for execution independently following the Code rules; and

(iii) In building works, foundations, superstructure sary and water supply arrangements, electrical installation may be deemed as independent parts on separate estimates and executed accordingly for purpose of convenience and expeditious. If in the main estimate there are several building work such as main building, kitchen, dormitories, laboratories, which are not contiguous to the main building, each of the work with the estimated amounts should be indicated separately. This would enable the Government to approve the breakup each work while according sanction for the main scheme, that administrative sanction can be deemed to be separate each and every work may be taken up for execution independently following the code rules.

3. The Chief Engineers are requested to ensure that, while splitting up of works, the intention should not be to avoid sanction or acceptance by the next higher authority and there should be adequate safeguards to prevent the abuse of power by the subordinate officers. He is requested to issue supplementary instructions to bring out the purpose of this order. There should not be any extra financial commitments to the State Government on account of such splitting.

4. This order issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department vide its U.O. No. 79445/PW/76-1, dated June 1976.

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Secretary to Government