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Hon Minister Adv. P A Mohamed Riyas, Minister for Public Works & Tourism, Secretariat, Thiruvananthapuram. Sir.



Sub:- Budget work 2019-2020 Construction of Pattithanam Manarcaudu bypass from Ch0/000 to 1/790 (reachIII)- request for shifting obstructions.

- Ref:- 1. Agreement No. 12/SESC/2020-21 dated 24.06.2020.
 - 2. GO(Rt) No.3815/2021/Fin dated 30.04.2021.
 - 3. CEPWD/9538/2021-C6(W) RD dated 24/02/2022

The above work is in good progress and final earth work formation is in hand now. The surfacing works can be done during this working season and road opened for traffic. But the reluctance on the part of the Executive Engineer, Roads Division, Kottayam in implementing the Government Order under reference 2 and the letter of Chief Engineer under reference 3, compels us to hold the bitumen involved works till the cost of bitumen comes down. We shall do the work up to WMM level and wait for the time to get bitumen at a reasonable rate compared with that at the time quoting the work.

The para 3. of the order specifies as" For works based on open tenders the price difference of Bitumen payable/recoverable shall be reckoned, as the difference of invoice value and the market rate of bitumen, as on the last date of submission of tender."

The para 4. of the above GO states that "This Government order is applicable for all on going works and works for which agreements are executed after 01.11.2018."

We are denied with the benefit of the GO (Rt) 9386/2018/Fin. dated 13.11.2018 and its subsequent clarifications for various works executed under Roads Division Kottayam, banking on which we quoted for the works involving usage of bitumen, putting us in irreparable

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financial trouble. We cannot afford it anymore and we shall take up execution of bitumen involved items at a time when the price of bitumen comes down to a workable one if the Government Order is not applied on eligible agreements.

Under the above circumstances we shall execute the work up to WMM level now and wait for better times to do BM and BC.

Yours truly,

For Sajeev Mathew and Company

SAJEEV MATHEW, Mg Partner

Copy to 1, The Chief Engineer, PWD Roads, Thiruvananthapuram.

- 2, The Superintending Engineer, PWD Roads South Circle, Thiruvananthapuram.
 - 3, The Executive Engineer, PWD Roads Division, Kottayam.