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OFFICE ORDER

Subject: Delegation of Work Powers to CWC Officers

Consequent upon the General Financial Rule 2005 coming in to force which stipulates the limits for advance payment to suppliers [Rule 159(1)] in respect of firms holding maintenance contracts for servicing of air-conditioners, computers, other costly equipment etc. and fabrication contracts, turn-key contracts etc., the competent authority has decided to rescind CWC Office Order no. 4/1/83-O&M&WS dated 25th March 1983 vide which Member / Chief engineer were delegated the power for payment of advance to firms against contracts for supply of stores and for servicing of office machines etc.

Officers of CWC may use the provisions of Rule 159(1) of GFR 2005 in respect of advances for such items as stipulated at the said rule, within their own delegated financial powers.

Exercise of these powers is subject to the rules, restrictions and provisions of orders issued by the Ministry of Finance in this regard and also subject to the provisions / procedures contained in the CPWD, CPWA and other related codes and general and special orders issued by Government and CWC from time to time in this regard.

(Poornima Malik) Under Secretary (O&M)

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The Government in its various communications [Ministry of WMP letter no. 80/33/49 dated 14.05.1949, Ministry of WMP UO no. DW.80/33/49 dated 30.05.49, Ministry of WMP letter no. DW-121(3) dated 30.09.1946 and Ministry of I&P letter no. DW-11-27(18) dated 06.01.53] decided that CWC Officers are to discharge the same functions and exercise the same financial and works powers for the purposes of CPWD, CPWA Codes and Public Works Rules as their counterparts in the CPWD.

Further, CWC vide OM No. 4/3/87-O&M&WS dated 26.08.1983 and 23.08.1984, clarified that the CWC officers are authorized to exercise only such powers as are extended to them by formal departmental orders in this regard.

In view of that, Commission has been reviewing the work power needed by the CWC officers and notifying the extent of works power available to CWC officers in line with powers available to CPWD officers from time to time. Last such delegation of power was made vide CWC Office Order No.4/2/98-O&M dated 3rd December 1999 and OM No. 4/2/98-O&M dated 18th February 2000.

Since the year 1999, many changes have taken place and cost of execution of works have gone up. CPWD has also revised its works manual several times vide which financial powers are delegated to its subordinate formations / levels. The latest revision in Works Manual was done in the year 2007 and last modified delegation of power in CPWD was issued vide office memorandum no. DGW/MAN/186A dated 24.09.2009.

In view of the increased requirements in this regard keeping in view the increased cost of works, revision by CPWD as mentioned above and availability of powers to CWC officers equivalent to CPWD officers, the competent authority has decided to rescind the above mentioned CWC OM No. 4/3/87-O&M&WS dated 26.08.1983 and 23.08.1984, CWC Office Order No.4/2/98-O&M dated 3rd December 1999 and OM No. 4/2/98-O&M dated 18th February 2000. It has also been decided that CWC officers will exercise the same financial powers for works as available to their counterparts in CPWD last notified vide CPWD Works Manual 2007 and modifications / enhancement / revisions made there in from time to time as the same is originally available to them. Nomenclature of equivalent posts in CWC shall be as under:

Designation of CPWD	Equivalent CWC officers
AE / AEE	SDE / AEE / AD-II / AD
EE	EE / Dy. Director
SE	SE / Director
CE	CE
ADG	Member, CWC
DG (W)	Chairman, CWC

Exercise of these powers will be subject to the rules, restrictions and provisions of orders issued by the Ministry of Finance from time to time and also subject to the provisions / procedures contained in the CPWD, CPWA and other related codes and general and special orders issued by Government and CWC from time to time.

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