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DELHI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

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CIRCULAR No. 210

Subj: Control of standard in works-regulation of sub standard works and payment at reduced rates.

1. Contractors are required to execute the works as per specifications. If it is found by the supervisory staff namely JE/AE/EE that certain items of works executed by contractor are below specification, the contractor should be asked through site order book or letter pointing out the defective works. Such action should be taken while work is in progress and the defect got rectified either through the contractor himself or by departmental skilled workers at the contractors cost in terms of Clause 14 of the agreement. It is possible to rectify a number of defects while the work is still in progress and therefore the departmental officials should be vigilant to point out the defects after frequent inspections and field and Lab tests and bringing them to the notice of the contractors. Defective works shall not be considered for payment at reduced rates as a normal course. Part rates paid in the running bills can only take care of part work done and not when the defects are present in the work done.


2. Defective work can be accepted at reduced rates only in such cases where the defect is of a structural nature which cannot be rectified or the defect cannot be rectified because of a number of other related structural elements. In such cases also it is necessary to ascertain overall structural soundness and stability before any decision is taken even to accept it at the reduced rates, considering design norms or statistical standards.

3. Powers of SEs to allow sub standard work at reduced rates in the exceptional cases shall be preceded by notice in writing to the contractors by EEs about the intention to allow only a specific reduced rate in spite of the defect. Deduction proposed for such sub standard work shall not be decided like Extra Items/Substitute Items but should have a relationship with the responsibility of the contractor, the nature of deficiency etc.

4. No part payment shall be made for defective work by the Executive Engineer during the running bills, as this would mean that

The department is prepared to accept the work at a little lesser rate. SEs instructions in all the cases should be obtained before any work is considered for payment at reduced rates. The purpose of the Circular is to inform the Executive Engineers/Assistant Engineers that they should act promptly in pointing out defective works to the contractors and take prompt action for rectifying the defects departmentally or otherwise as provided in the contracts. This would mean frequent checks/inspections throughout.

2. These instructions should be brought to the notice of all JEs and AEs.


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Vice-Chairman

All Executive Engineers(Civil),Elect., Design, QC & Vig.

Copy to all CEs, Superintending Engineers, DDA for information.

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