

## Government of West Bengal. Irrigation and Waterways Department, Jalsampad Bhavan, Salt Lake, Kolkata-91

Memo No: 150-IB/IW-14011(33)/8/2021-SECTION(IW)

Date. 30.03.2023

From: Secretary

to the Government of West Bengal

To: The Chief Engineer (South)

Irrigation & Waterways Directorate, GoWB &

Chairman,

Departmental Technical Committee

of Chief Engineers, I&WD

**Sub:** Finding out the reasons for quoting of abnormally low rates against the tenders [e-NITs] of some works within I&WDte.

Maintaining prescribed specification and quality of public works ,as per contract agreement ,during execution in different stages ,are of utmost importance ,so as to justify the expenditure incurred out of the State exchequer and to ensure optimum benefit envisaged in these works. It has been seen that in many e-NITs aganst different plan works , the lowest rates are more than 20 % less which are accepted by the appropriate authority after satisfying themselves with the justifications obtained from the lowest bidder and the works are commenced at field.

On further scrutiny of such scheme details available at OPMS, it has been noticed that such e-NITs are mainly related to de-siltation/dredging /erosion protection /embankment improvement related works. Day to day checking of such works are carried out in the usual manner, prescribed in the departmental code, by the concerned executing Divisions. It has been felt necessary to find out the basic reason for such abonormally low quotes against some particular type of works as stated above.

In view of that, the Departmental Technical Committee of Chief Engineers, is being requested to analyze the basic reason for frequent low rates in de-siltation / dredging / erosion protection/embankment improvement related works with a view to evaluate any corrective measure in the mode of estimaton or otherwise as applicable and to furnish a report with specific suggestions to this Department within one month from the issue of this letter. The Chief Engineer(South), being the Chairman of the Departmental Technical Committee of Chief Engineers, will submit the report to the Department, having the matter discussed and examined in the committee meeting(s).

This order is issued with the approval of the Principle Secretary of this Department.

Secretary to the

Government of West Bengal

Date. 30.03.2023

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(i)P.S to Hon'ble Minister-in-Charge Irrigation & Waterways Department

(ii)OSD to Hon'ble Minister-of-State Irrigation & Waterways Department

(iii)Sr. P.A to the Principal Secretary Irrigation &Waterways Department

(iv)The Financial Advisor Irrigation & Waterways Department

(S. Sarkar)
Deputy Secretary to the
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