1.No. RW/TRI/Unitry/55/2019-20 Government of India Ministry of Road Transport & Highways Regional Office (Kerala & Lakshadweep Region) Public Office Building, Opposite to Museum, Thirdvananthapuram 695033.

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Augmentation of WSS to Kollarn Corporation-Phase-II-Package-I-laying Raw Water pumping main with 1219 mm, 12.50 mm thick MS pipe for a length of 16035 m and 10 Sub: mm thick MS pipe for length of 12095 m from intake well at Njankadavu to WTP at Vassorichira-Special sanction for NH Road Authority permission-reg.

Ref: CE (NH) Kerala letter No. CEPWD/1496/2021-DB3(W)-NH dated 19.05.2022.

Please refer to CE (NH) Kerala letter cited under reference on the subject mentioned above. The matter was examined in accordance with Ministry guidelines RW/NH-33044/29/2015/5&R(R) dated 22.11.2016 and following is observed-

The work of Strengthening and geometric improvements from Km 0/000 to 23/500 of NH-163 in the State of Kerala was sanctioned on 05.02,2020 for an amount of Rs 26.91 Cr. It (1) is reported that now the DBM and BC in this stretch is already completed and DLP has not started. The above proposal was already returned by RO office citing serious safety issue to NH traffic. Now CE(NH) Kerala vide letter dated 19.05.2022 has submitted the proposal without any Checklist/enclosures/drawings which is not proper.

CE(NH) have stated that the road ROW is very narrow. It is clear that no further utility lines can be accommodated within the limited ROW. Further, the proposal does not

satisfy Ministry guidelines dated 22,11,2016.

In this regard, It may be mentioned that after strengthening of the NH stretch from Km 0/000 to 23/500 of HH-183, the road cutting permission cannot be granted as it will a wasteful expenditure of public money and may lead to various vigilance Issues and audit objections. The road cutting in carriageway may cause serious threat to NH and traffic . moving on it.

2. In view of above, the proposal cannot be considered. The applicant may be advised to consider alternative alignment through other parallel roads.

Yours faithfully, NVAN (Vasudevan.N) Assistant Engineer For Regional Officer