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DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

NOTIFICATION

The 9th May 2023

SUBJECT—"Construction of Bridges on identified un-bridged crossings under Biju Setu Yojana (BSY)".

No. 28235300332021-RD.—

**Background :**

With the objective to bridge all the missing-links on roads of R.D. Department and on strategic & important Panchayat Samiti Roads belonging to P.R. & D.W. Department so as to provide effective all-weather connectivity across the length and breadth of the State and to meet the communication needs of every sector cost effectively, the State Government has decided to continue the scheme "Construction of Bridges on identified un-bridged crossings under Biju Setu Yojana (BSY)" for a further period of 2 years i.e. up to 2025-26 with an additional budget outlay of Rs. 3597.22 cr.

The salient features of the scheme are :—

**• Objectives :**

- To provide an effective all-weather road network across the length and breadth of the State, so as to effectively meet the communication needs of every sector cost effectively.
- Moreover, this flagship programme also includes covering strategic and important P.S. Roads belonging to P.R. & D.W. Department so that all the missing-links on roads of R.D. Department as well as P.R. Department are bridged.

**Target :**

Execution of 866 number of new bridge projects along with completion of the ongoing projects.

- Implementation and Financial Arrangements :—**

The scheme will be implemented through the existing setup of Department of Rural Development as below :—

- i. Before taking up the project, the most suitable bridge site and alignment will be selected by the field officers. Accordingly, activities like survey investigation & preliminary sub soil exploration work, along with collection of hydraulic particulars for preparation of GAD will be carried out through departmental officers and wherever necessary by engaging Survey & DPR consultants.
- ii. The GAD of a bridge and detailed design and component drawings will be prepared through in-house design branch & wherever felt necessary by outsourced Design Consultants. The designs & drawings developed by outsourced agencies will be vetted through National Institutes of repute (IITs/ NITs) and subsequently approved by the competent authority.
- iii. EIC (RW), CE (Bridges) & CCEs will be the primary supervisors who will not only ensure primary supervision & quality control but will also be responsible for monitoring to ensure effective delivery of the projects on time.
- iv. A standard quality assurance document will be prepared covering the type of test & its frequency. The quality assurance document will also cover stages at which inspection of critical components shall be done. All testing shall be conducted at the Government Laboratories.
- v. To ensure quality of work, third party quality assessment will be made by engaging Independent Agencies.
- vi. Department will monitor the progress through Project Monitoring Unit (PMU). A skeletal PMU has been constituted in EIC office with 3 to 4 retired engineers, departmental officers and 2 to 3 experts on contract/outsourccd basis for supporting close monitoring and to point out critical gaps & deviation in work schedules, quantum, expenditure & time lapses.

Additional outlay for continuing the scheme is Rs. 3597.22 cr. This raises the total outlay for the scheme from Rs. 5182 cr. to Rs. 8779.22 cr. for the period 2021-22 to 2025-26.

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ORDER—Ordered that the Notification be published in the next issue of the *Odisha Gazette*.

By order of the Governor  
SANJAY KUMAR SINGH  
Principal Secretary to Government