ABSTRACT
Highways Department – Projects wing – Southern Railway works – Railway Works Programme 2015-2016 – Cuddalore Division – Construction of Road Over Bridge at Km 44/6 of Cuddalore – Chittoor Road in lieu of existing Level Crossing No.144 at Railway km 182/400-500 in between Thiruvannamalai and Parikkal Railway Stations – Administrative Sanction – Accorded – Orders – Issued.

Highways and Minor Ports (HQ2) Department

G.O. (Ms) No.40 Dated: 20.03.2018

Read:

1. G.O.(2D) No.24, Highways and Minor Ports (HQ2) Department, dated 24.10.2013
2. From the Chief Engineer (Projects), Highways Department Letter No.1823/W2/2014/LC-144, dated 10.11.2017

ORDER:

In the Government Order first read above, among others, the Government accorded Administrative Sanction for performing Preliminary works such as Site Investigation, Land Acquisition and shifting of service utilities for the “Construction of Road Over Bridge at Km 44/6 of Cuddalore – Chittoor Road in lieu of existing Level Crossing No.144 at Railway km 182/400-500 in between Thiruvannamalai and Parikkal Railway Stations” for Rs.203.68 Lakhs to execute Road Over Bridge under Railway Works Programme on cost sharing basis in co-ordination with Southern Railways. The Southern Railways has sanctioned this work in Railway Works Programme 2015-2016.

2. The Chief Engineer (Projects), Highways Department who was requested to send a detailed proposal has since stated that the Road Over Bridge is situated at Km 44/6 of Cuddalore – Chittoor Road which is an important State Highway connecting nearby State. This road passes through important places of Thirucoilur, Thiruvannamalai and Vellore which are famous for temples. This road also links the roads to Bangalore and Thirupathi. People travelling from Cuddalore, Chidambaram and from the nearby coastal areas use this road to reach Bangalore and Thirupathi. A sugar mill is situated near Periyasevalai which is about 5 Kms from the Level Crossing location. Construction of Road Over Bridge will help the farmers of nearby villages to transport the sugar cane with ease.

3. The Chief Engineer (Projects), Highways Department has further stated that the Train Vehicle Unit at Level Crossing 144 was 1,36,691. As the Chennai - Trichy Chord line is an important Railway line which connects Chennai with other parts of Southern Districts of Tamil Nadu. The Railway gate is closed at an average of 30 minutes throughout day and night which leads to traffic congestion
and accidents. In order to avoid this scenario, the Road Over Bridge has been proposed at this location which is sanctioned under Railway Works Programme 2015-2016. Based on the approved alignment by the alignment Committee and approved Railway General Arrangement Drawing, the Chief Engineer (H), Planning, Design & Investigation has approved the Design and Quantity Estimate for this work. The cost estimate for the main Road Over Bridge including sub estimates and other necessary provisions are scrutinized and the total cost of the above work is arrived as Rs.23.70 crores. Work front and working space are available for the Construction of Main Road Over Bridge and this work can be taken up for execution immediately on receipt of Administrative Sanction. Minimum Land Acquisition is involved in Service Road for which Land Acquisition can be done, before doing the Service Road for which the notification of 15(2) is in process.

4. The Chief Engineer (Projects), Highways Department has therefore requested the Government to accord Administrative Sanction for a sum of Rs.23.70 Crores for the work of “Construction of Road Over Bridge at Km 44/6 of Cuddalore – Chittoor Road in lieu of existing Level Crossing No.144 at Railway km 182/400-500 in between Thiruvennainallur and Parikkal Railway Stations”.

5. The Government after careful examination accept the proposal of the Chief Engineer (Projects), Highways Department and accord administrative sanction for a sum of Rs.22.63 Crore restricting the price escalation to Rs.1.02 Crore for one year only and advertisement charges to Rs.5 lakhs for the work of “Construction of Road Over Bridge at Km 44/6 of Cuddalore – Chittoor Road in lieu of existing Level Crossing No.144 at Railway km 182/400-500 in between Thiruvvennainallur and Parikkal Railway Stations”.

6. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O.No. 13428/PW-1/2018, dated:16.03.2018

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

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